

This form will report compliance with your permit as determined by an NRW officer

Site	Newport Ceramic Works EPR/BP3532HX	Permit Ref	BP3532HX		
Operator/Permit holder	Kennametal UK Ltd				
Regime	Installations				
Date of assessment	08/04/2019	Time in	N/A	Out	N/A
Assessment type	Report/Data Review				
Parts of the permit assessed	3.1.2 Emissions to Air. Schedule 6, Emission Point A1				
Lead officer's name	Green, Rebecca				
Accompanied by					
Recipient's name/position	James Wham/ EHS Analyst	Date issued	30/05/2019		

Section 1 – Compliance Assessment Summary

This is based on the requirements of the permit under the Environmental Permitting Regulations or the licence under the Water Resources Act 1991 as amended by the Water Act 2003. A detailed explanation is captured in "Compliance Assessment Report Detail" (Section 2) and any actions you may need to take are given in the "Action(s)" (section 4). This summary details where we believe any non-compliance with the permit has occurred, the relevant condition and how the non-compliance has been categorised using our Compliance Classification Scheme (CCS). CCS Scores can be consolidated or suspended where appropriate, to reflect the impact of some non-compliances more accurately. For more details of our CCS scheme, contact your local office.

Permit conditions and compliance summary	CCS Category	Condition(s) breached
A1 - Specified by permit	A	
B5 - Infrastructure - Plant and equipment	X	
C2 - General Management - Management system and operating procedures	C3	1.1.1 (a) Management system
E1 - Emissions - Air	C3	3.1.2 Emissions to Air
G1 - Monitoring and Records, Maintenance and Reporting - Monitoring of emissions and environment	A	
G4 - Monitoring and Records, Maintenance and Reporting - Reporting and notification to Natural Resources Wales	A	

KEY: See Section 5 for breach categories, suspended scores will be indicated as such.
A = Assessed or assessed in part (no evidence of non-compliance), **X** = Action only,
O = Ongoing non-compliance, not scored.

Number of breaches recorded	2	Total compliance score (see section 5 for scoring scheme)	8
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If the Number of breaches recorded is greater than zero, please see Section 3 for our proposed enforcement response

Section 2 – Compliance Assessment Report Detail

This section contains a report of our findings and will usually include information on:

- The part(s) of the permit that were assessed (eg. Maintenance, training, combustion plant, etc)
- Where the type of assessment was 'Data Review' details of the report/results triggering the assessment
- Any non-compliances identified
- Any non-compliances with directly applicable legislation
- Details of any multiple non-compliances
- Information on the compliance score accrued inc.
- Details of advice given
- Any other areas of concern
- Any actions requested
- Any examples of good practice
- A reference to photos taken

On 28th May 2019 Natural Resources Wales (NRW) received a Schedule 6 Notification that Kennametal had breached the emission limit value (ELV) for ammonia emissions from emission point A1. The emission was measured on 8th April 2019 and was 277.8 +/-33.3mg/m³; the ELV for ammonia from A1 is 30mg/m³.

The breach was caused by a blocked propane afterburner lance which was only discovered when the monitoring was taking place. Since the lances are not subject to planned routine maintenance it is difficult to know how long this lance had been faulty and therefore the total amount of ammonia released to air. The blocked lance was replaced immediately from spares that are always kept in stock.

It is surprising that such a critical part of the abatement equipment is not part of a planned maintenance programme, especially given the difficulties Kennametal are having meeting emission limit values at other emission points. Relying on failure of a component is not an acceptable way of determining that it requires maintenance and a site operating under an EPR permit is expected to have more effective and proactive maintenance procedures. Kennametal know that the nature of the raw materials used on site means that small orifices can become blocked very easily and should have appropriate procedures in place.

The monitoring was carried out on 8th April but NRW did not receive the Schedule 6 Notification until 28th May, seven weeks after the test. Kennametal should ensure that they receive monitoring results in a timely manner so that NRW can be informed of permit breaches as quickly as possible.

NRW have been assured that a planned maintenance programme will be put in place for the lance afterburners and **want to receive tangible evidence that this has been done by 14th June 2019.**

Kennametal should take this opportunity to review the planned maintenance programmes for any equipment associated with abatement and adjust the programmes and equipment included as necessary.

END.

EPR Compliance Assessment Report

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Section 3 – Enforcement Response

You must take immediate action to rectify any non-compliance and prevent repetition. Non-compliance with your permit conditions constitutes an offence and can result in criminal prosecutions and/or suspension or revocation of a permit. Please read the detailed assessment in Section 2 and the steps you need to take in Section 4 below.

Other than the provision of advice and guidance, at present we do not intend to take further enforcement action in respect of the non-compliance identified above. This does not preclude us from taking enforcement action if further relevant information comes to light or advice isn't followed.

Section 4 – Action(s)

This section summarises the actions identified during the assessment along with the timescales for when they will need to be completed.

Criteria Ref.	CCS Category	Action required/advised	Due Date
See Section 1 above			
E1	C3	Implement planned maintenance programme for all propane afterburners.	14/06/2019
B5	X	Review all abatement equipment & ensure it is subject to an appropriate planned maintenance programme.	14/06/2019
C2	C3	Develop & implement suitable planned maintenance programme for all furnace afterburners.	14/06/2019

Section 5 – Compliance notes for the Operator

To ensure you correct actual or potential non-compliance we may

- Advise on corrective actions verbally or in writing
- Require you to take specific actions verbally or in writing
- Issue a notice
- Require you to review your procedures or management system
- Change some of the conditions of your permit
- Decide to undertake a full review of your permit

Any breach of a permit condition is an offence and we may take legal action against you

- We will normally provide advice and guidance to assist you to come back into compliance either after an offence is committed or where we consider that an offence is likely to be committed. This is without prejudice to any other enforcement response that we consider may be required.
- Enforcement action can include the issue of a formal caution, prosecution, the service of a notice and/or suspension or revocation of the permit.

See our Enforcement and Civil Sanctions guidance for further information

This report does not relieve the site operator of the responsibility to

- Ensure you comply with the conditions of the permit at all times and prevent pollution of the environment
- Ensure you comply with other legislative provisions which may apply

Non-compliance scores and categories

CCS category	Description	Score
C1	A non-compliance that could have a major environmental effect	60
C2	A non-compliance which could have a significant environmental effect	31
C3	A non-compliance which could have a minor environmental effect	4
C4	A non-compliance which has no potential environmental effect	0.1

Operational Risk Appraisal (Opra) - Compliance assessment findings may affect your Opra score and/or your charges. This score influences the resource we use to assess permit compliance.

Section 6 – General information

Data protection notice

The information on this form will be processed by the Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to fulfil its regulatory and monitoring functions and to maintain the relevant public register(s). The NRW may also use and/or disclose it in connection with:

- Offering/providing you with its literature/services relating to environmental matters
- Consulting with the public, public bodies and other organisations (eg. Health and Safety Executive, local authorities) on environmental issues
- Carrying out statistical analysis, research and development on environmental issues
- Providing public register information to enquirers
- Investigating possible breaches of environmental law
- Assessing customer service satisfaction and improving its service
- Freedom of Information Act/Environmental Regulations request

The NRW may pass it on to its agents/representatives to do these things on its behalf. You should ensure that any persons named on this form are informed of the contents of this data protection notice.

Disclosure of information

The NRW will provide a copy of this report to the public register(s). However, if you consider that any information contained in this report should not be released to the public register(s) on the grounds of commercial confidentiality, you must write to your local area office within fifteen working days of receipt of this form indicating which information it concerns and why it should not be released, giving your reasons in full.

Customer charter

What can I do if I disagree with this compliance assessment report?

If you are unable to resolve the issue with your site officer, you should firstly discuss the matter with officer's line managers using the informal appeals procedure. If you wish to raise your dispute further through our official Complaints and Commendations procedure, phone our general enquiry number 0300 065 3000 (Mon to Fri 08.00 – 18.00) and ask for the Customer Contact team or send an email to enquiries@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk. If you are still dissatisfied you can make a complaint to the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales. For advice on how to complain to the Ombudsman phone their helpline on 0845 607 0987.

Welsh Language

If you would like this form in Welsh please contact your Regulatory Officer.