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**Our ref: PAN - 002776**

**Date: 10/09/2018**

Dear Miss Lewis,

### **Your environmental permitting application**

**Application reference:** PAN-002776

**Operator:** Mr Robert G Evans, Mrs Edith M Evans, Mr Nicholas R W Evans and Mr Charlie J Evans

**Facility:** Dolobran Hall Poultry Unit, Dolobran Hall, Pontrobert, Meifod, Powys, SY22 6HX

I'm writing further to your application for an environmental permit for the above proposed facility, which was duly made on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2018. As you will be aware, amongst other things, we review the application with regard to its potential impacts on nearby protected sites. We have carried out the first stage of this review which has included assessing the potential effect on the Cors Ty-Gwyn SSSI.

The Cors Ty-Gwyn SSSI is known to support flora which is sensitive to ammonia. The level at which damage may be caused at this SSSI is at ammonia concentrations above  $1\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ . The existing "background" concentration of ammonia at this SSSI is  $1.52\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  and the modelling that you submitted with your application predicted that the proposed poultry unit would have a process contribution of  $0.0345\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  this being 3.5% of the  $1\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$  critical level. Such a contribution would be likely to damage the interest features of the SSSI.

The Wildlife & Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) places a duty on Natural Resources Wales to protect SSSI sites from damage. Therefore we consider that it will not be possible to grant a permit for this application in its present form, unless additional measures are put in place to substantially reduce ammonia emissions.

Please can you let me know how you would like to proceed within one week from the date of this letter.

Yours sincerely

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