

Natural Resources Wales permitting decisions

KSR Electronic Systems Limited

Decision Document

Application to Surrender Permit

The application number is: Permit EPR/TP3035SG

The Applicant / Operator is: KSR Electronic Systems

The Installation is located at: KSR Electronic Systems Limited, Penllergaer, Swansea, SA4 9HL.

We have decided to accept the surrender of the permit for KSR Electronic Systems operated by KSR Electronic Systems Limited.

We are satisfied that the necessary measures have been taken to avoid any pollution risk and to return the site to a satisfactory state.

We consider in reaching that decision we have taken into account all relevant considerations and legal requirements.

Purpose of this document

This decision document:

- explains how the application has been determined
- provides a record of the decision-making process
- shows how all relevant factors have been taken into account

Unless the decision document specifies otherwise we have accepted the applicant's proposals.

Structure of this document

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Key issues of the decision

KSR Electronic Systems Limited

Application for surrender

We have accepted the full surrender of the environmental permit held by KSR Electronic Systems Limited. The operator applied for a surrender on the 6th September 2017, the application was duly made on the 24th October 2017. Prior to the application, the operator was in contact with local NRW officers to discuss the surrender. The site condition report submitted to NRW was labelled as 'PAN-001925 – SOL1705KSR01_Site Surrender Report_v1.pdf'. NRW reviewed the report in line with the principles in 'Regulatory Guidance Note 9: Surrender' and concluded that the information presented in the report indicates that the site is in a 'satisfactory state'.

The site

The site remained an undeveloped greenfield site until the construction of Penllagaer Business Park in 1999. Due to the sites minimal development history, the likelihood for contamination is very low. The electronics manufacturing facility at Penllagaer Business Park was first permitted in February 2005 under permit TP3035SG. The operator at this time was International Rectifier Automotive (Swansea) Ltd. In January 2007, this was varied to Electronic Motion Systems UK Limited under permit number EP3938MH. Most recently, in June 2016, the permit operators name was changed again to KSR Electronic Systems Limited and this is the current version which is being surrendered (TP3035SG/V002).

Prior to submitting their surrender application, KSR engaged discussions with NRW to clarify whether or not the site could be classed as low-risk. In turn the site was deemed low-risk.

Pollution incidents

Under the present operator

There have been no leaks or spills recorded on site over the lifetime of the permit. We are satisfied that the necessary measures have been taken to avoid a pollution risk resulting from the operation of the regulated facility.

Site condition assessment

The Site Condition Report was reviewed by NRW Geoscience team members as well as Operations staff (with the site-specific experience). Documents were submitted to the Geoscience team on 24 October 2017 and comments on the report were returned on 09 November 2017.

The officer who took on the assessment of the site surrender report had no comments to make on the report and stated that sufficient information has been supplied to show that pollution risk has been removed and that the site is in a satisfactory state.

Satisfactory state

We are satisfied that the necessary measures have been taken to return the site of the regulated facility to a satisfactory state.

In coming to this decision, we have had regard to the state of the site before the facility was put into operation.

Conclusion

We are satisfied that the necessary measures have been taken to avoid a pollution risk resulting from the operation of the regulated facility. Monitoring of emissions to land and water was carried out as specified. We are also satisfied that the necessary measures have been taken to return the site of the regulated facility to a satisfactory state. In coming to this decision, we have had regard to the state of the site before the facility was put into operation.