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**Protium Green Solutions Limited
(University of South Wales
Hydrogen R&D Centre)**

**Variation and Partial Surrender
Decision Document**

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Standard rule permit

We have decided to issue the partial surrender and variation for University of South Wales Hydrogen R&D Centre operated by Protium Green Solutions Limited

The permit number is [EPR/CB3690ZB](#)

The surrender number is [EPR/CB3690ZB/S002](#)

The variation number is: [EPR/CB3690ZB/V003](#)

We consider in reaching that decision we have taken into account all relevant considerations and legal requirements and that the permit will ensure that the appropriate level of environmental protection is provided.

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.

Structure of this document

- Key issues
- Annex 1 the decision checklist

Key issues of the decision

Protium Green Solutions Limited were issued a standard rules permit (SR2009No2) Reference [EPR/CB3690ZB](#) in 2022 for hydrogen production. However, the hydrogen production facility was built in a different part of the site than what was originally permitted. As such the permit is being varied ([PAN-026329 EPR/CB3690ZB/V003](#)) to add the land where the activities are taking place and partially surrendered to remove the area of land where the activities were originally planned to take place ([PAN-026328 EPR/CB3690ZB/S002](#)).

The land being surrendered was never used for any of the activities. The applicant had confirmed that the original site condition report is valid for the new location of the site.

Annex 1: decision checklist

This checklist should be read in conjunction with the Duly Making checklist the application and supporting information and permit/notice.

Aspect	Justification / Detail	Criteria met
		Yes
Receipt of submission		
Standard rules criteria met	The application meets the criteria for the standard rules identified in Part B of the application form.	✓
Sustainable Management of Natural Resources (SMNR)		
Considerations of SMNR - Compliance with our General Purpose	We are satisfied that this decision is compatible with our general purpose of pursuing the sustainable management of natural resources in relation to Wales and applying the principles of sustainable management of natural resources.	✓
The site		
Extent of the site of the facility	The operator has provided a plan which we consider is satisfactory, showing the extent of the site of the facility. A plan is included in the permit and the operator is required to carry on the permitted activities within the site boundary.	✓
Environmental Management Plan	The operator has provided a plan which we consider is satisfactory.	✓