

Notice of variation and consolidation with introductory note

The Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations 2016

WEPA UK Limited

**Bridgend Paper Mill
Llangynwyd
Bridgend
CF34 9RS**

Variation number

EPR/EP3738NG/V006

Permit number

EPR/EP3738NG

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Introductory note

This introductory note does not form a part of the notice.

The following notice gives notice of the variation and consolidation of an environmental permit.

WEPA UK limited have varied the permit for Bridgend paper mill to reflect for the following changes on site;

- 1) Addition of two 9.23 MWth natural gas fired boilers to replace the former 38 MWth combined heat and power plant. The two new boilers will be subject to medium combustion plant directive. As a result of the new boilers, the site's aggregate thermal input has dropped below 50 MWth and therefore the activity under Section 1.1 Part A(1) a of part 2 schedule 1 of the Environmental Permitting Regulations 2016, no longer applies to this site.
- 2) The addition of externally sourced broke (partly or fully manufactured paper or board from paper or board making process) as a raw materials in the production of a range of hygienic paper tissue.
- 3) The acceptance and storage of recycled fibre as a waste activity in the permit. The waste paper is accepted under four European waste codes (EWC) except broke which is classed as a byproduct under the waste framework directive. The recycled fibre is to be used as a material in the paper process alongside virgin fibre.

The schedules specify the changes made to the permit.

The status log of a permit sets out the permitting history, including any changes to the permit reference number.

Status log of the permit		
Description	Date	Comments
Application EPR/BJ5805IX	received 27/02/2001	
Response to request for information in 1st Schedule 4 Notice	Request dated 14/05/2001	Response dated 25/06/2001.
Response to request for information in 2nd Schedule 4 Notice	Request dated 18/06/2001	Response dated 25/06/2001.
Response to request for information in 3rd Schedule 4 Notice	Request dated 31/07/2001	Response dated 03/08/2001.

Status log of the permit

Description	Date	Comments
Permit BJ5805IX	Determined 27/11/2001	
Application for Variation BR8042	Received 06/03/2002	Standard variation – to amend completion dates of improvement condition 9.4 a) and b) EPR/BJ5805IX/V002.
Variation BR8042	Determined 29/04/2002 Effective 06/05/2002	Introduced sampling on A3 and A4.
Application for variation XP3235SE	22/11/2004 and supplementary information dated 14/02/2005	EPR/BJ5805IX/V003 – addition of PVA coating to Jupiter paper machine.
Request by Environment Agency to extend determination date from 18/02/05 to 01/04/05	Request dated 11/02/2005	Request accepted 15/02/2005
Request by Operator to extend determination date from 01/04/05 to 09/05/05	Request dated 16/03/2005	Request accepted 21/03/2005.
Variation XP3235SE	Determined 29/04/2005	Introduced 3 improvement conditions (9.12 – 9.14) to assess effect of process on River Llynfi and reduce impact. New VOC emission point (A5) linked to paper-machine modification.
Variation KP3634LB Environment Agency Initiated	Determined 06/06/2006	EPR/BJ5805IX/V004 – lowers maximum temperature limit on discharged effluent, further reduce ammonia limit, adds limit for VOC emissions from A5 stack, additional improvement condition (9.24) to install active cooling on effluent discharge.
Transfer application EPR/SP3639KA/T001 (full transfer of base permit EPR/BK6122IE and subsequent variations)	Duly Made 29/05/2009	
Transfer EPR/SP3639KA	Determined 23/07/2009	
Environment Agency Paper and Pulp Sector Review 2011 Variation determined EPR/BJ5805IX/V005	Determined 28/10/2011	Multi-permit consolidation of EPR/BJ5805IX and EPR/SP3639KA. EPR/BJ5805IX is the base permit going forward. Varied and consolidated permit issued in modern condition format.

Status log of the permit

Description	Date	Comments
Application EPR/SP3431CN/T001 (full transfer of consolidated permit EPR/BJ5805IX)	Duly made 16/07/2012	Application to transfer the permit in full to SCA Hygiene Products Tissue Limited
Transfer determined EPR/SP3431CN	19/07/2012	Full transfer of permit complete.
Agency variation determined EPR/SP3431CN/V002	25/03/2013	Agency variation to implement the changes introduced by IED.
Application EPR/EP3738NG/T001 (full transfer of permit EPR/SP3431CN)	Duly made 16/05/2013	Application to transfer the permit in full to Northwood & Wepa Limited
Transfer determined EPR/EP3738NG	18/06/2013	Full transfer of permit complete.
Variation application EPR/EP3738NG/V002	Duly made 02/12/2013	Addition of two paper converting lines and IED conditions
Additional Information Received	18/02/2014	Updated site plan and plan of air emission point locations (drg 050- BR-081).
Variation determined EPR/EP3738NG/V002	24/02/2014	Updated site plan and plan of air emission point locations (drg 050- BR-081).
Regulation 60(1) Notice of request for information	01/12/2014	
Regulation 60(1) response received	27/03/2015	Implementation of BAT conclusions under IED
Additional information received	22/03/2016	Further information in respect of levels of phosphorus in effluent
Additional information received	31/03/2016	Clarification of compliance with BATc 17
Natural Resources Wales Paper, Pulp and Board Sector Review 2015 Permit EPR/EP3728BH Variation issued EPR/EP3738NG/V003	31/03/2016	Varied and consolidated permit issued in modern IED condition format.
Variation application EPR/EP3738NG/V004	03/07/2018	Admin variation to change company name from Northwood Wepa Limited to WEPA UK Ltd.
Variation determined EPR/EP3738NG/V004	04/09/2018	Variation issued to WEPA UK Ltd.
Variation application EPR/ EP3738NG/V005 (PAN- 013155) Further information Air Quality 23/08/21 & 22/09/2021 on fuel oil	Duly Made 24/08/2021	Substantial Variation to include new paper machine converting line
Additional Information in support of permit variation received on 22/09/2021	22/09/2021	E-mail from operator 22 September 2021 regarding fuel oil
Variation Determined EPR/EP3738NG/V005	17/01/2022	Variation Issued to WEPA UK Limited

Status log of the permit

Description	Date	Comments
Variation application PAN-026789 (EPR/EP3738NG/V006)	Duly Made 11/06/2025	Variation to replace the old CHP with 2x 9.23 MWth and to accept externally sourced "broke" produced at other paper industry sites.
Response to First Schedule 5 Notice PAN-026789 (EPR/EP3738NG/V006)	09/09/2025	Confirmation on the waste accepted are recycled fibre other than broke.
Response to Second Schedule 5 Notice PAN-026789 (EPR/EP3738NG/V006)	15/10/2025	Revised Fire Prevention Plan submitted.
Variation Determined EPR/EP3738NG/V006	10/11/2025	Variation Issued to WEPA UK Limited

End of introductory note

Notice of variation and consolidation

The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016

The Natural Resources Body for Wales (“Natural Resources Wales”) in exercise of its powers under regulation 20 of the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 varies and consolidates

Permit number
EPR/EP3738NG

issued to
WEPA UK Limited (“the operator”)

whose registered office is

Bridgend Paper Mill
Llangynwyd
Maesteg
Mid Glamorgan
Wales
CF34 9RS

company registration number 08347876

to operate a regulated facility at

Bridgend Paper Mill
Llangynwyd
Bridgend
CF34 9RS

to the extent set out in the schedules.

The notice shall take effect from 10/11/2025

Signed

Date

Jennifer McGuire	10/11/2025
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Authorised on behalf of Natural Resources Wales

Schedule 1

All conditions have been varied by the consolidated permit as a result of the application made by the operator.

Schedule 2 – consolidated permit

Consolidated permit issued as a separate document.