

Notice of request for more information

Environmental Permitting (England and Wales)
Regulations 2016

Notice requiring further information

To: **c/o director or company secretary, Beaufort Power Ltd, 1030 Centre Park,
Slutchers Lane, Warrington, England, WA1 1QL**

Application number: **PAN-028063**

Natural Resources Wales, in exercise of its powers under paragraph 4 of Part 1 of Schedule 5 of the above Regulations, requires you to provide the information detailed in the attached schedule. The information is required in order to determine your application for a permit, duly made on **22/01/2025**. The information requested should be sent to the following address by **27/04/2026**.

Information should be sent to:

Victoria Seller
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Name	Date
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Schedule

We are offering you the opportunity to review your proposal in light of NRW's conclusion that the proposal, as submitted, is likely to damage the features of Mynyddoedd Llangynidr a Llangatwg Cefn yr Ystrad a Chomin Merthyr (MLL) Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI).

1. SSSI Assessment under Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended)

NRW has assessed the Air Quality Impact Assessment (AQIA)¹ submitted with the permit application, together with the Addendum AQIA² submitted on 3rd October 2025. This assessment has been made in accordance with the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 (as amended) in respect of the MLL SSSI.

We have concluded that the emissions to air associated with the proposed peaking plant would result in concentrations of airborne nitrogen and nitrogen and acid deposition at levels that are likely to damage notified features of the SSSI (notably the blanket bog, wet heath and dry heath features).

Therefore, the proposal, as submitted, cannot be permitted in its current form.

2. Option to submit a revised proposal

Following our assessment, we are offering the opportunity for you to submit a revised proposal that either avoids or mitigates the effects of the emissions to air, such that the activity is not likely to damage the features of the MLL SSSI.

The revised proposal may include, but is not limited to (i) a new operating profile, (ii) use of suitable abatement technique(s) to reduce emissions of nitrogen, and / or (iii) provision of land management for the SSSI that results in improvement to the condition of the features.

The revised proposal shall include an assessment of the impact of emissions to air on protected habitats within the relevant screening distance of the facility and human receptors within the vicinity. This shall take the form of a new AQIA that utilises atmospheric dispersion modelling to characterise the predicted impacts of airborne nitrogen, and deposited nitrogen (as well as any other relevant pollutants, such as ammonia). The assessment shall meet the requirements of the Air emissions risk assessment for your environmental

¹ AR P S Group Limited (RPS), 26th February 2024, "[Air Quality Assessment for Permit, Rassau Industrial Estate, For Beaufort Power Limited](#)", Job number: 794-ENV-EPC-20161

² R P S Group Limited (RPS), 3rd October 2025, "[Beaufort Power Limited, Response to Schedule 5 Notice, Addendum to Air Quality Assessment](#)". Version 3, Job number: 794-ENV-EPC-21061Z

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permit guidance³ and shall be submitted to Natural Resources Wales in the form of a report.

Note that the provision of a revised proposal does not guarantee a decision to issue the permit. We will assess the revised proposal in accordance with the relevant legislation and guidance when received.

3. Option to maintain the proposal as currently permitted

You can decide to not revise the proposal. Should you confirm this, or not provide the required information by the deadline set out in this notice, NRW will proceed to determine the application on the basis of the current proposal and evidence. Given our conclusion that the proposal is likely to damage the features of the MLL SSSI, NRW is minded to refuse the application.

Any refusal decision will carry a right of appeal in accordance with the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016.

End of Schedule.

³ [Air emissions risk assessment for your environmental permit](#)

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