Compliance Assessment Report CAR_NRW0053221

Permit being assessed: LP3135SB.

For: Docksway Generation Plant EPR/LP3135SB/V003, **held by:** Novera Energy Generation No 2 Limited

At: Generation Plant Docks Way , Newport, South Wales, NP20 2NS.

Type of assessment: Other,

Reason: Incident Response (Incident number 0000000).

On: 30/03/2026 between 08:45 and 10:46.

Parts of permit assessed: See Comments.

NRW Lead Officer: Luke Burton.

Report sent to: [REDACTED], Compliance Manager, on 13/10/2026.

1. Summary of our findings (full details in section 4)

Part of permitted activity assessed (compliance criteria)	Assessment result	Permit condition
IR3C - Installations - Emissions and monitoring - Odour	Assessed (A)	

Result types are explained in more detail in the 'Important Information' section below.

Total non-compliances recorded	Total non-compliance score
0	0

How we use the non-compliance score to calculate your annual fee is explained in the 'Important Information' section below.

2. What action is required?

No action required.

3. What will happen next?

Any non-compliance we have identified and recorded on this form is an offence. It can result in criminal prosecution and/or suspension or revocation of your permit.

At this time, we do not intend to take any further action.

This statement does not stop us from taking additional enforcement action if further relevant information comes to light or offences continue.

4. Details of our assessment

Purpose of assessment

The purpose of this Compliance Assessment Report (CAR) is to record Natural Resources Wales' (hereafter NRW) off-site assessment of odour from the activities permitted under environmental permit LP3135SB .

Regulatory Context

This assessment was carried out following reports received by NRW of odour in the locality of the permitted site. Several of these reports suggest the permitted site may be the source of the odour.

The reports being investigated as part of this assessment are - Wales Incident Recording System (WIRS) reference: 2602271, 2602277, 2602280, 2602294, 2602297, 2602327, 2602381, 2602425, 2602451, 2602519, 2602974, 2603029, 2603079 and 2603097*

Assessment

A selection of off-site locations in the locality of the permitted site was visited, and an odour assessment was carried out.

The details and findings of the assessments are fully recorded in the document – 'ODOUR-FILENOTE-LB-20260330*'.*

Please note: odour assessments were undertaken for a duration of 10 minutes at each location. Assessments were not undertaken whilst travelling between locations.

At the time of the assessments, either no odours from the activities were detected, or, odours from the activities were detected, but not perceived to be at a level likely to cause pollution.

'Pollution' is as defined for the relevant activity in *The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016.*

At one location - whilst not at a level perceived to be causing pollution – odour, consistent with landfilling activities, was perceived at a persistence and intensity greater than had previously not been encountered during previous assessments.

Conclusion

Section '*2.2.6 Odour'* of the environmental permit lists Condition 2.2.2.1.

Condition 2.2.2.1 of the environmental permit states:

The Operator shall use BAT so as to prevent or where that is not practicable to reduce odorous

emissions from the Permitted Installation, in particular by:

• *limiting the use of odorous materials*

• *restricting odorous activities*

• *controlling the storage conditions of odorous materials*

• *controlling processing parameters to minimise the generation of odour*

• *optimising the performance of abatement systems*

• *timely monitoring, inspection and maintenance*

• *employing, where appropriate, an approved odour management plan*

provided always that the techniques used by the Operator shall be no less effective than those

described in the Application, where relevant.

At the time of the assessments, the Operator was assessed to have been complying with condition 2.2.2.1 of the environmental permit.

*WIRS number in 'Assessment Details' has been completed as '0000000' as 7 digits are the maximum value for the mandatory field in CARs system.

[END]

If you have any queries about this report, or to discuss completion of any actions, please contact the NRW Officer named above.

Important information

Legal status of this report

Your permit is issued to you under the Environmental Permitting Regulations. You have a responsibility to comply with the conditions of your permit and prevent pollution/harm of the environment. You must also ensure that you comply with any other relevant legislation that may apply to your site's operations.

This report explains the findings of our assessment and any action you are required to take. We categorise non-compliance using our guidance for assessing non-compliance at regulated sites.

When we find potential non-compliance/s we will normally give you advice on how to maintain compliance.

To correct non-compliance, we may:

- require you to take specific actions
- issue a notice
- review the conditions of your permit.

Any advice and guidance we give will be without prejudice to any other enforcement response that we consider may be required.

Assessment results and non-compliance categories (used in section 1):

Assessment result	Description
Assessed (A)	Assessed or assessed in part, no evidence of non-compliance found
Action only (X)	Action required for the permit condition assessed to avoid non-compliance. No non-compliance scored at this time
Ongoing (O)	Ongoing non-compliance, not scored

Non-compliance category	Description	Score
C1 Major	Potential to have a major, serious, persistent and/or extensive impact or effect on the environment, people and/or property	60
C2 Significant	Potential to have a significant impact or effect on the environment, people and/or property	31
C3 Minor	Potential to have a minor or minimal impact or effect on the environment, people and/or property	4
C4 No environmental impact	Non-compliance at a regulated site that cannot foreseeably have any impact on the environment, people and/or property	0.1

How we use assessment scores
The number and severity of non-compliances recorded in a year will affect your annual subsistence fee the following year. A non-compliance factor is added to your site's Operator Performance Risk Appraisal (OPRA) score when we calculate your fee to reflect the additional resource we use to assess permit compliance.

If your assessment result in Section 1 is suspended, what does this mean?
In line with our guidance, we may suspend scores for up to six months to allow time for remedial action to be taken. Suspended scores will be re-instated if the action is not completed.

Full list of Industry compliance criteria (used in section 1 and 2):

1. Management
- IR1A – General management
- IR1B – Finance (only applicable to Landfill)
- IR1C – Energy efficiency
- IR1D - Efficient use of raw materials
- IR1E - Avoidance, recovery and disposal of wastes produced by the activities
- IR1F - Multiple operator installations

2. Operations
- IR2A – Permitted activities
- IR2B – The site
- IR2C – Operating techniques
- IR2D – Technical requirements
- IR2E – Improvement programme
- IR2F – Pre-operational conditions
- IR2G – Landfill engineering (only applicable to Landfill)
- IR2H – Waste acceptance (only applicable to Landfill)
- IR2I – Leachate levels (only applicable to Landfill)
- IR2J – Closure and aftercare (only applicable to Landfill)
- IR2K – Landfill gas management (only applicable to Landfill)

3. Emission and Monitoring
- IR3A(1) – Emissions to water
- IR3A(2) – Emissions to air
- IR3A(3) – Emissions to land
- IR3B – Emissions of substances not controlled by emission limits
- IR3C – Odour
- IR3D – Noise and vibration
- IR3E – Monitoring
- IR3F – Pests
- IR3G – Air quality management plans
- IR3H – Monitoring for the purposes of the Industrial Emissions Directive (this heading includes Large Combustion Plants)
- IR3I – Fire

4. Information
- IR4A – Records
- IR4B – Reporting
- IR4C – Notification

Enforcement response
Any non-compliance with a permit condition is an offence and we may take legal action against you. Action we take can include prosecution, serving a notice on you and/or suspension or revocation of your permit. See our Enforcement and Sanctions Guidance for further information.

Data protection notice
You should make sure that anyone named in this report knows that the information it contains will be processed by Natural Resources Wales to fulfil its regulatory and monitoring functions and to maintain the relevant public register(s).

We may also use and/or disclose the report in connection with:

- offering or providing you with our literature or services relating to environmental matters
- consulting with the public, public bodies and other organisations (e.g. Health and Safety Executive, local authorities) on environmental issues
- carrying out statistical analysis, research and development on environmental issues
- providing public register information to enquirers
- investigating possible breaches of environmental law
- assessing customer service satisfaction and improving our service
- Freedom of Information Act or Environmental Information Regulations requests.

We may also pass it on to our agents or representatives to do these things on our behalf.

Disclosure of information – this report will be available to view on-line
If you think this report contains commercially confidential information that should not be placed on our public register, you must contact your local Natural Resources Wales office within **fifteen working days** of receiving this report, using the contact details in the accompanying email or letter. You must give a full explanation of why it should not be added to our public register, including specifying which information is commercially confidential. We will assess your request and respond to you within twenty working days to let you know if we agree to your request.

Disputing the Content of this Compliance Assessment Report Form
If you disagree with the content of this Compliance Assessment Report form, you should submit your concerns, in writing, to the regulating officer who issued it within **15 working days** of its issue. This will be treated as a **Stage 1 review**.

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the stage 1 review, you may request a **Stage 2 appeal**. This request must be submitted **within 21 working days** of receiving the response from the stage 1 review.

Further details on our review and appeal process are available at: Natural Resources Wales / Appeal a regulatory decision from Natural Resources Wales

Concerns Not Related to the Content of this Compliance Assessment Report Form
If your concerns do not relate to the content of the Compliance Assessment Report form, you should first attempt to resolve the issue with the regulating officer or their line manager.

If the issue remains unresolved, please contact our **Customer Contact Team**:

- **Telephone**: 0300 065 3000 (Monday to Friday, 09:00–17:00)
- **Email**: enquiries@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk

They will provide details on how to escalate your concerns through our **Complaints and Commendations procedure**.

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you may contact the **Public Services Ombudsman for Wales**:

- **Telephone**: 0300 790 0203
- **Email**: ask@ombudsman.wales

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