Compliance Assessment Report

Report ID:
CAR_NRW0036191

This form will report compliance with your permit as determined by an NRW officer					
Site	Llanwern Steelworks EPR/BS3905IP	Permit Ref	BS3905IP		
Operator/Permit holder	Tata Steel UK Limited				
Regime	Installations				
Date of assessment	16/01/2020	Time in	N/A	Out	N/A
Assessment type	Report/Data Review				
Parts of the permit assessed	6.3.2				
Lead officer's name	Richards, Gareth (Rivers House)				
Accompanied by					
Recipient's name/position	Hayley Jeremiah/ Michael Launder/ Environment Team	Date issued	16/01/2020		

Section 1 – Compliance Assessment Summary

This is based on the requirements of the permit under the Environmental Permitting Regulations or the licence under the Water Resources Act 1991 as amended by the Water Act 2003. A detailed explanation is captured in "Compliance Assessment Report Detail" (Section 2) and any actions you may need to take are given in the "Action(s)" (section 4). This summary details where we believe any non-compliance with the permit has occurred, the relevant condition and how the non-compliance has been categorised using our Compliance Classification Scheme (CCS). CCS Scores can be consolidated or suspended where appropriate, to reflect the impact of some non-compliances more accurately. For more details of our CCS scheme, contact your local office.

Permit conditions and compliance summary	**CCS Category**	**Condition(s) breached**

KEY: See Section 5 for breach categories, suspended scores will be indicated as such.
A = Assessed or assessed in part (no evidence of non-compliance), **X** = Action only,
O = Ongoing non-compliance, not scored.

Number of breaches recorded	**0**	**Total compliance score** (see section 5 for scoring scheme)	0

If the Number of breaches recorded is greater than zero, please see Section 3 for our proposed enforcement response

Section 2 – Compliance Assessment Report Detail

This section contains a report of our findings and will usually include information on:

- The part(s) of the permit that were assessed (eg. Maintenance, training, combustion plant, etc)
- Where the type of assessment was 'Data Review' details of the report/results triggering the assessment
- Any non-compliances identified
- Any non-compliances with directly applicable legislation
- Details of any multiple non-compliances
- Information on the compliance score accrued inc.
- Details of advice given
- Any other areas of concern
- Any actions requested
- Any examples of good practice
- A reference to photos taken

Tata have provided a series of Schedule 1 Notifications (Part As and Bs) for emission exceedances, the individual details are summarised below:

05/11/2019 and 19/11/2019 Part A Notifications for suspended solids exceedances at W1 on 1st November 2019 and 16th November 2019 respectively. Reported values of 178mg/l and 138mg/l. The Part B was subsequently received on 22nd November 2019. In respect of both these instances, the immediate cause was related to issues beyond the direct control of Tata. In addition there are plans to improve the water quality of discharges that originate from the St Modwen's development site which feed into the Tata effluent system. On this basis, together with the nil environmental impact from the discharge of effluent with raised SS, no non-compliances have been recorded.

It remains important that Tata continue discussions with St Modwens to identify a permament solution to the issue and NRW should be informed of progress.

15/01/2020 Part A and B Notification received for a copper exceedance at W1 on 22nd December 2019. Reported value of 0.523mg/l. No operational cause for the exceedance was identified. Historically copper releases have been consistently below the release limit of 0.1mg/l as have subsequent measurements. The most likely reason for the elevated value is sample contamination or an analysis error. It was not possible to repeat the analysis to confirm this. In view of the nil environmental impact of such a discharge for a short period, even if the result was correct, on this ocassion a non-compliance has not been recorded.

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Section 3 – Enforcement Response

You must take immediate action to rectify any non-compliance and prevent repetition.
Non-compliance with your permit conditions constitutes an offence and can result in criminal prosecutions and/or suspension or revocation of a permit. Please read the detailed assessment in Section 2 and the steps you need to take in Section 4 below.

Section 4 – Action(s)

This section summarises the actions identified during the assessment along with the timescales for when they will need to be completed.

Criteria Ref.	**CCS Category**	**Action required/advised**	**Due Date**
See Section 1 above			

Section 5 – Compliance notes for the Operator

To ensure you correct actual or potential non-compliance we may

- Advise on corrective actions verbally or in writing
- Require you to take specific actions verbally or in writing
- Issue a notice
- Require you to review your procedures or management system
- Change some of the conditions of your permit
- Decide to undertake a full review of your permit

Any breach of a permit condition is an offence and we may take legal action against you

- We will normally provide advice and guidance to assist you to come back into compliance either after an offence is committed or where we consider that an offence is likely to be committed. This is without prejudice to any other enforcement response that we consider may be required.
- Enforcement action can include the issue of a formal caution, prosecution, the service of a notice and/or suspension or revocation of the permit.

See our Enforcement and Civil Sanctions guidance for further information

This report does not relieve the site operator of the responsibility to

- Ensure you comply with the conditions of the permit at all times and prevent pollution of the environment
- Ensure you comply with other legislative provisions which may apply

Non-compliance scores and categories

CCS category	Description	Score
C1	A non-compliance that could have a major environmental effect	60
C2	A non-compliance which could have a significant environmental effect	31
C3	A non-compliance which could have a minor environmental effect	4
C4	A non-compliance which has no potential environmental effect	0.1

Operational Risk Appraisal (Opra) - Compliance assessment findings may affect your Opra score and/or your charges. This score influences the resource we use to assess permit compliance.

Section 6 – General information

Data protection notice

The information on this form will be processed by the Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to fulfil its regulatory and monitoring functions and to maintain the relevant public register(s). The NRW may also use and/or disclose it in connection with:

- Offering/providing you with its literature/services relating to environmental matters
- Consulting with the public, public bodies and other organisations (eg. 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 its service
- Freedom of Information Act/Environmental Regulations request

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The NRW will provide a copy of this report to the public register(s). However, if you consider that any information contained in this report should not be released to the public register(s) on the grounds of commercial confidentiality, you must write to your local area office within fifteen working days of receipt of this form indicating which information it concerns and why it should not be released, giving your reasons in full.

Customer charter

What can I do if I disagree with this compliance assessment report?

If you are unable to resolve the issue with your site officer, you should firstly discuss the matter with officer's line managers using the informal appeals procedure. If you wish to raise your dispute further through our official Complaints and Commendations procedure, phone our general enquiry number 0300 065 3000 (Mon to Fri 08.00 – 18.00) and ask for the Customer Contact team or send an email to enquiries@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk. If you are still dissatisfied you can make a complaint to the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales. For advice on how to complain to the Ombudsman phone their helpline on 0845 607 0987.

Welsh Language
If you would like this form in Welsh please contact your Regulatory Officer.