

Compliance Assessment Report for:

STANDALONE MEDIUM COMBUSTION PLANT AND SPECIFIED GENERATORS

Permit number	PAN-005329	Operator name	UK Power Reserve Limited
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Site name	South Cornelly Power Station
Site address	SC Trading Estate, Porthcawl Rd, Bridgend CF33 4RE
Type of assessment	Report / Data review

Date of assessment	9/3/2021	Time in		Time out	
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Parts of permit assessed	1.1 Environmental Management System
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NRW Lead officer	Wayne Grimstead	Accompanied by	
Report sent to – Name and position	Heather Turner Senior Environmental Compliance Officer	Date	9/3/2021

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

Part of permitted activity assessed (use action criteria below)	Assessment result	Permit condition
B4 Infrastructure – Containment of stored materials	X - Action only	
Choose an item.	Choose an item.	
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Result types are explained in more detail in the 'Important Information' section below.

Total number of non-compliances recorded
0

2. What action is required?

Criteria	Action needed	Complete by
	Complete repair of the bund in full as set out in the repair plan submitted to NRW on 19 th January, 2021.	30/9/2021

Action criteria codes are listed in the 'Important information' section below.

3. What will happen next?

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

4. Details of our assessment

On 28th December, 2020, NRW received a Schedule 5 notification from Heather Turner, Senior Environmental Compliance Officer at Sembcorp Energy UK. The Schedule 5 relates to a transformer oil release at the South Cornelly Power Station, reference PAN-005329, in the form of seepage through the bund wall.

The bund was subsequently pumped out with the oil secured in IBCs, to ensure any further seepage was minimised. Additionally, spill mats were used onsite to clean up any oil residue from the tarmac. The site was fully cleaned up, oil interceptor checked and cleaned, and the waste oil removed by an authorised waste carrier.

On 19th January, 2021, the operator confirmed that the investigation into the reason for the seepage of oil from the bund was complete and that the minor leak occurred at the intersection of the bund floor and the wall in one location. Consequently, a 2 stage repair was proposed:

- a. *First stage repair – Remove contaminated stone and reseal fillet between bund floor and wall with Acrypol sealant.*
 - *Generally, they will spot check the bund wall and make repairs where the leak occurred. This will be completed ASAP.*
- a. *Second stage repair – Make good entire bund floor and reseal entire bund floor area with Acrypol.*
 - *This will be completed in the spring when we are able to take the site offline for several days and be assured of continued good weather, as a repair of this magnitude will take 3+ days.*
 - *Basically, the second stage is more preventative rather than restorative; ensuring that we don't have a similar leak elsewhere on the bund, due to normal wear and tear.*

On 19th February, 2021, the Operator submitted a Part B report along with photographs confirming that the first stage repair had been completed and that the second stage would be completed by the end of the summer. NRW is satisfied that the Operator has taken all necessary measures to ensure that a similar incident doesn't occur at this facility and as a result no further action is being pursued.

As an advisory note, NRW recommends the guidance relating to the design and construction of bunds is followed at all UK Power Reserve Limited facilities, as set out in best practice document CIRIA 736.

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 only relating to the activity assessment
Ongoing (O)	Ongoing non-compliance, not scored

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

Full list of Industry and Waste action criteria (used in section 1 and 2):**A: Permitted activities**

- A1 Specified by permit

B: Infrastructure

- B1 Infrastructure – Engineering for prevention and control of emissions
- B2 Infrastructure – Closure and decommissioning
- B3 Infrastructure – Site drainage engineering (clean and foul)
- B4 Infrastructure – Containment of stored materials
- B5 Infrastructure – Plant and equipment

C: General management

- C1 General management – Staff competency/training
- C2 General management – Management system and operating procedures
- C3 General management – Materials acceptance
- C4 General management – Storage, handling, labelling and segregation

D: Incident management

- D1 Incident management – Site security
- D2 Incident management – Accidents, emergency and incident planning

E: Emissions

- E1 Emissions – Air
- E2 Emissions – Land and groundwater
- E3 Emissions – Surface water
- E4 Emissions – Sewer
- E5 Emissions – Waste

F: Amenity

- F1 Amenity – Odour
- F2 Amenity – Noise
- F3 Amenity – Dust/fibres/particulates and litter
- F4 Amenity – Pests/birds and scavengers
- F5 Amenity – Deposits on road

G: Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting

- G1 Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting – Monitoring of emissions and environment
- G2 Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting – Records of activity, site diary/journal/events
- G3 Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting – Maintenance records
- G4 Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting – Reporting and notification to Natural Resources Wales

H: Resources efficiency

- H1 Resource efficiency – Efficient use of raw materials
- H2 Resource efficiency – Energy efficiency

Enforcement response

Any permit condition non-compliance 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.

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- 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.

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