



Low Risk Surrender Usk HWRC Permit EPR/DP3999FH

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Site Context

Dragon Waste Limited operated Usk Household Waste Recycling Centre (HWRC) permit EPR-DP3999FH (formerly EAWML 30119 & WML 4/93) located at Maryport Street, Usk, Monmouthshire, NP15 1A up to 4,999 tonnes per annum, was issued by Monmouthshire Borough Council on 11th February 1994, subsequent variations have been determined by the Environment Agency in 1995 and 1999 and Natural Resources Wales (NRW) in 2020. The permitted area is at the edge of Maryport Street car park in Usk. Access to the site is via the car park. The approximate centre of the site is found at national grid reference SO 37572 00738.

Viridor is seeking a low risk surrender of Usk HWRC permit. The waste facility activity meets the requirement of low risk surrender as identified in Natural Resources Wales Regulatory Guidance Note 9 Surrender:

The legal test for surrender is – ‘that the necessary measures have been taken –

(a) to avoid a pollution risk resulting from the operation of the regulated facility; and

(b) to return the site of the regulated facility to a satisfactory state, having regard to the state of the site before the facility was put into operation.’

Condition of Land at Permit Issue

Prior to the permitted household waste recycling centre activity commencing the site was a part of the Maryport carpark.

Permitted Activities

The permitted activities are as specified Usk HWRC permit EPR-DP3999FH (formerly WML 4/93) and associated working plan. The permit conditions and Usk Working Plan have been predominantly complied with throughout the operational period of the site. Viridor operates an Environmental Management system ISO 14001 which ensures that the is audited against the legal requirements of the permit as well as adheres to internal Viridor procedures. The permitted activities consist of the acceptance of solid non-hazardous household waste and waste oil as delivered by members of the public.

Changes to Activity

In 1995 the permit was varied to allow an increase to 4,999 tonnes per annum. In 1999 a variation included a requirement for specified records to be maintained in relation to the permitted activities. In 2020 NRW varied the permit to change the registered office address.

Measures Taken to Protect Land

Measures to protect land have been delivered through the implementation of the requirements of the extant permit. Wastes delivered to the site have been deposited in accordance with the permit. Wastes have been stored on an impermeable surface and in suitable containment. On delivery to site operatives assessed the nature of the waste and ensured that it was deposited in suitable containment. No pollution incidents were identified.



Impact and Remediation of Potential Pollution Incidents

The wastes have been accepted and deposited in accordance with the permit requirements. Compliance Assessment reports generally noted that the site was well managed. Three non-compliant incidents were recorded in NRW compliance assessment reports. None of these events resulted in pollutants being emitted to the environment. All were remediated promptly and effectively.

- 1 In 2013 the waste oil tank was identified as being stored outside containment and categorised as a *C4 A non-compliance which has **no** potential environmental effect*. Following identification temporary controls measures were employed prior to a specific engineered solution where a concrete containment area was constructed. No polluting event occurred as a result of the incident.
- 2 In 2014 WEEE was identified as being stored outside the area of containment and categorised as category *C3 A non-compliance which could have a minor environmental effect*.
- 3 In 2018 waste WEEE and plastics were identified as being stored for a short period outside of containment and categorised as a category C3 incident. The issue was promptly resolved. No polluting event occurred as a result of the incident. In this same CAR it was noted that waste records had not been returned quarterly as required by the permit.

For details please see appendices where CARs identifying those instances and the resolution included. No persistent polluting material remains on site.

Decommissioning and Removal of Pollution Risk

All wastes have been removed from the site and the site has been cleared of all dust and debris. Please see evidence as shown in appended photographs.

Reference Data and Remediation

Viridor can confirm that the surrender area is free of potential pollutants. No intrusive investigation is required. The land is in a satisfactory state to allow low risk surrender as demonstrated by this report.

Statement of Site Condition

Operations at the site ceased in 2020. Viridor can confirm that the surrender area is free of potential pollutants derived from the recovery operation. In conclusion the land is in a satisfactory state to allow low risk surrender as demonstrated by this report.

