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Dear Dr Richardson,

**Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2010**  
**Re: Application for a new bespoke Environmental Permit for Hazrem Environmental Limited at Nine Mile Point Waste Transfer Facility, Nine Mile Point Industrial Estate, Cwmfelinfach, Caerphilly, NP11 7HZ.**

Thank you for your comments regarding the potential impact of short term NO<sub>2</sub> concentrations as set out in your letter dated 19<sup>th</sup> September 2016. To aid us in coming to a conclusion in determining this permit application, we seek additional clarity with regards to what PHW/ABHB deem as safe thresholds.

It is acknowledged within the letter of 19<sup>th</sup> September 2016 and within the letter dated 25<sup>th</sup> April 2016 that breaches of statutory Air Quality Objectives are not predicted. Natural Resources Wales decisions are based on legally permissible levels of emissions. Please confirm whether PHW/ABHB considers the permissible levels of NO<sub>2</sub> set out in the European Air Quality Objectives to be at an acceptable level for this site and provide evidence in support if you consider a lower level to be necessary.

NRW in undertaking its duties must consider the impact on health in the vicinity of any permission it grants, and in doing so clearly does not wish to cause any unacceptable risk to local populations. However, NRW are mindful of legal limits and therefore requests that PHW/ABHB, as the national and local public health experts, provide clear advice and guidance regarding the level of acceptable risk that can be applied to this proposal.

We would be grateful for a response by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

Yours Sincerely,



Kevin Ashcroft  
Senior Permitting Officer (Regulated Industries Permitting Team)