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Dear Sir/Madam

Emissions Inventory Reporting

I am writing to inform you that we have reviewed and clarified our Emissions Inventory reporting schedule.

The enclosed legal notice requiring you to submit information about releases and transfers of pollutants from your facility (or facilities) for calendar year 2016 onwards replaces the notice and schedule, **Pollution Release and Transfer Register (PRTR) and the National Atmospheric Emissions Inventory (NAEI) - Schedule (1) to the EPR,** that we sent you in the Spring of 2016.

The main changes to the schedule are:

- Reporting of releases of some pollutants to air have been marked as voluntary. These are pollutants that were not previously required by us in the Environment Agency Pollution Inventory.
- Some reporting thresholds have been changed. In general, where a pollutant is required for E-PRTR we have used the E-PRTR reporting threshold, but where a pollutant is required for NAEI we have used the Environment Agency Pollution Inventory reporting threshold.
- *Carbon Dioxide From Qualifying Renewable Fuel Sources* has been changed to *Carbon dioxide excluding biomass*
  - ie you should report carbon dioxide emissions minus carbon dioxide from qualifying renewable fuel sources. (The combustion of biofuels and materials is considered to be carbon neutral as, providing there is no long-term decline in the total carbon embodied in standing biomass, this activity does not significantly add to atmospheric carbon concentrations. Therefore national level Greenhouse Gas inventories under the IPCC guidelines exclude carbon dioxide emissions from the combustion of biofuels and materials.)
- Individual Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) on the list of pollutants for releases to water and transfers to wastewater are replaced with *Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs)* as a group
- Some pollutants on the list of pollutants for releases to water and transfers to wastewater have been removed because they were included on the previous schedule in error
- Some pollutant names have had alternative name(s) included for clarity

The Notice and Schedule will only be reissued when changes are made to the reporting requirements.

We collect data on emissions to air, water and off-site transfers of waste and of specified substances in wastewater annually to enable us to report to the European Environment Agency for the European Pollution Release and Transfer Register (E-PRTR) and to DEFRA for the UK Pollutant Release and Transfer Register (UK-PRTR) and the National Atmospheric Emissions Inventory (NAEI). The information we collect is used to provide information to the general public and policy makers, so that they can make informed decisions about how we manage our environment for future generations.

You need to submit your emissions data using the online DEFRA PRTR Data Management System. The system can be accessed using the link http://prtr.defra.gov.uk/data-entry-system/ .

Your username and password will remain unchanged. If you need your username and/or password reset please contact the Natural Resources Wales site administrator following the instructions on the PRTR system website.

The online reporting system will be available to operators for reporting emissions data for calendar year 2016 from **Monday 6 February 2017** and the deadline for submitting data will be **31 March 2017.**

Guidance on the use of the reporting website can be found on the reporting system login page. Any other queries should be addressed to your Site Inspector David Willey in the first instance.

Yours faithfully

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