

# Notice of variation with introductory note

Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations 2016

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Sims Group UK Limited

Neath Abbey Wharf

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Variation application number

EPR/UP3898FQ/V009

Permit number

EPR/UP3898FQ

# Neath Abbey Wharf

## Permit number EPR/UP3898FQ

### Introductory note

#### **This introductory note does not form a part of the notice**

The following notice gives notice of the variation of an environmental permit.

'This variation notice provides overview of the changes made to the existing permit both by way of and variation application submitted by the operator and initiated by Natural Resources Wales (The Regulator). The changes are;

Operator led changes;

- Total annual throughput increased from 74,999 to 130,000. There will be no increase on total amount to waste stored on site at any one time.
- As a result of the site having the capacity to operate above the threshold limits detailed within The Environmental Permitting Regulations (England and Wales) 2016, specifically S5.4, Part A (1) (b) (iv), treatment in shredders of metal waste, including waste electrical and electronic equipment and end-of-life vehicles and their components – daily treatment limits have been included in the Schedule 1, Table 1.1 Activities table to ensure the operator operates below the threshold to remain permitted as a waste facility.

The Regulator led changes;

- Inclusion of a fire condition (permit condition 3.6) to ensure compliance.
- Inclusion of an improvement condition for the operator to provide a fire prevention and mitigation plan (table 1.3 improvement programme requirements) to ensure compliance with the permit condition 3.6.

The schedules specify the changes made to the original permit.

The status log of a permit sets out the permitting history, including any changes to the permit reference number.

**Status log of the permit**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Waste Disposal Licence issued No. NBSC4	03/03/94	Licence issued to Allied Bird Fragmentation Limited to operate a scrap metal facility.
Modification determined EAWML 34092 (formerly Waste Disposal Licence No. NBSC4)	31/03/99	Licence modified to include conditions for wastes received and removed from site.
Transfer determined	18/12/01	Licence transferred to Sims-metal UK Limited.
Name change	27/02/03	Permit holder name changed to Sims Group UK Ltd).
Modification determined	27/06/05	Licence updated and modernised.
Modification determined	07/11/08	Licence updated with WEEE conditions.
Variation determined EPR/UP3898FQ/V006	07/12/12	Varied and consolidated permit issued in modern condition format
Variation application EPR/UP3898FQ/V007	10/03/15	Administrative variation to add waste code 16 08 01 withdrawn prior to duly making.
Variation determined EPR/UP3898FQ/V008	01/09/16	Admin variation to add in a waste code 20 01 33*
Variation application EPR/UP3898FQ/V009	Duly Made 28/03/17	Normal Variation initiated by operator to increase annual throughput and include IED limit for shredding metal wastes. Regulator initiated variation to include fire condition and associated improvement condition for a fire prevention and mitigation plan to be submitted
Additional information received in response to Schedule 5 notice	07/05/17	Information relating to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Management of waste turnover</li><li>• Drainage system</li><li>• Waste Acceptance</li></ul>
Variation determined EPR/UP3898FQ	29/06/17	Variation issued to Sims Group UK Limited

End of introductory note

## Notice of variation

Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016

The Natural Resources Body for Wales (“Natural Resources Wales”) in exercise of its powers under regulation 20 of the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 varies

**Permit number**

**EPR/UP3898FQ**

**issued to:**

**Sims Group UK Limited** (“the operator”)

whose registered office is

**Sims Group UK Limited**

**Long Marston**

**Stratford-Upon-Avon**

**Warwickshire**

**CV37 8AQ**

company registration number 03242331

to operate a regulated facility at

**Neath Abbey Wharf**

**Skewen**

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to the extent set out in the schedules.

The notice shall take effect from 29/06/2017

Name	Date
<b>Ella Williams</b>	<b>29/06/2017</b>

Authorised on behalf of Natural Resources Wales

## Schedule 1 – conditions to be deleted

None

## Schedule 2 – conditions to be amended

The following conditions are amended as a result of the application made by the operator:

# Schedule 1 – Operations

**Table S1.1 activities**

Description of activities for waste operations	Limits of activities
<p><b>R13:</b> Storage of waste pending any of the operations numbered R1 to R12 (excluding temporary storage, pending collection, on the site where it is produced)</p> <p><b>R4:</b> Recycling/reclamation of metals and metal compounds</p> <p><b>R5:</b> Recycling/reclamation of other inorganic materials</p>	<p>Treatment shall consist only of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• manual sorting</li><li>• separation</li><li>• sorting</li><li>• grading</li><li>• shearing</li><li>• shredding</li><li>• dismantling</li><li>• baling</li><li>• compacting</li><li>• crushing and</li><li>• flame cutting</li><li>• de-pollution of end-of-Life vehicles</li><li>• repair and refurbishment</li></ul> <p>Treatment of wastes shall be carried out on an impermeable surface with sealed drainage system.</p> <p>Treatment of WEEE must be done inside a building on an impermeable surface with sealed drainage system.</p> <p>The maximum quantity of hazardous waste subject to a R5 activity shall not exceed 10 tonnes per day.</p> <p>Treatment in shredders of metal waste, including waste electrical and electronic equipment and end-of-life vehicles and their components shall be limited to 75 tonnes per day</p> <p>Fully de-polluted end-of-life vehicles, waste tyres, pre-treated waste refrigeration equipment and scrap metal free from residual oils may be stored on hardstanding. All other wastes must be stored on an impermeable surface with sealed drainage system.</p> <p>No more than 50 tonnes of intact waste vehicle tyres (waste code 16 01 03) shall be stored at the site.</p> <p>Waste types as specified in Table S2.1</p>

**Table S1.2 Operating techniques**

Description	Parts	Date Received
Use and design of oil separators in surface water drainage systems: PPG 3	All	N/A
How to comply with your environmental permit	All	N/A
Environment Management System (EMS)	All	N/A
Variation application EPR/UP3898FQ/V009	Environment, Fugitive Emissions & Accidents Risk Assessment and Management Plan: Section relating to management plan for noise hazards	27/02/17
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 21/04/17	"Operating Techniques_Skewen_May 2017": Section 2.6 - Waste Quantities Section 2.8 – Waste acceptance procedures Section 4 - Management	07/05/17

## Schedule 2 - Waste types, raw materials and fuels

The following annual throughput limit is amended in table S2.1 licensed waste types and quantities

**Table S2.1 Permitted waste types and quantities****Maximum Quantities**

The total quantity of waste permitted shall not exceed 130,000 tonnes a year.

### Schedule 3 – conditions to be added

The following conditions are added following a Natural Resources Wales initiated variation:

#### 2.5 Improvement programme

- 2.5.1 The operator shall complete the improvements specified in schedule 1 table S1.3 by the date specified in that table unless otherwise agreed in writing by Natural Resources Wales.

#### 3.6 Fire

- 3.6.1 The operator shall manage and operate the activities in accordance with a written fire prevention plan using the current, relevant fire prevention plan guidance.

## Schedule 1 – Operations

**Table S1.3 Improvement programme requirements**

<b>Reference</b>	<b>Requirement</b>	<b>Date</b>
IPC1	<p>The operator shall submit a written Fire prevention and mitigation plan to Natural Resources Wales for approval.</p> <p>The Fire prevention and mitigation plan must be produced in line with the standards set out in Fire prevention and mitigation plan guidance – Waste (Version 1, May 2016).</p>	3 months after permit issue or otherwise agreed in writing with Natural Resources Wales