

Compliance Assessment Report CAR_NRW0039392

Permit being assessed: WP3534GX.

For: Wrexham Convenience Foods, held by Oscar Mayer Limited

At: Ash Road South, Wrexham Industrial Estate, Wrexham, Wrexham, LL13 9UG.

Type of assessment carried out: Report/Data Review, Reason: Routine.

On 30/12/2021.

Parts of permit assessed: Annual monitoring returns for 2021

NRW Lead Officer: Jamie Blythin.

Report sent to: Kieran Foody , Group CSR & Sustainability Manager on 18/02/2022.

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

Part of permitted activity assessed (criteria)	Assessment result	Permit condition
G1 - Monitoring and Records, Maintenance and Reporting - Monitoring of emissions and environment	C3 Minor	3.5.1
G4 - Monitoring and Records, Maintenance and Reporting - Reporting and notification to Natural Resources Wales	Assessed (A)	

Result types are explained in more detail in the 'Important Information' section below.

Total number of non-compliances recorded	Total non-compliance score
1	4

How we use the non-compliance score to calculate your annual fee is explained in the 'Important Information' section below.

2. What action is required?

Criteria	Action needed	Complete by
G1	Action 1: Ensure emissions monitoring relating to 2021's reporting period is completed in line with the permit and monitoring results are sent to NRW by the date specified. It should be noted that once the emissions monitoring relating to the 2021 reporting period have been completed, additional monitoring relating to the 2022 reporting period will need to be completed to comply with the permit requirements.	23/05/2022

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

3. What will happen next?

Any non-compliance we have identified and recorded on this form is an offence. It can result in criminal prosecution and/or suspension or revocation of your permit.

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

This statement does not stop us from taking additional enforcement action if further relevant information comes to light or offences continue.

4. Details of our assessment

This is a review of the 2021 monitoring and annual returns data to satisfy reporting conditions of Permit WP3534GX. The operator submitted this data to NRW on 28.01.22 which complies with the reporting requirements of the permit.

The permit requires the operator to carry out annual emissions monitoring for Oxides of Nitrogen (NO and NO₂ expressed as NO₂) for the following emission points: A1 (Boiler Stack 1- only if boiler is operated for over 500hrs in any given calendar year), A2 (Boiler Stack 2- only if boiler is operated for over 500 hrs in any given calendar year) and A10 (Boiler Stack 3). There are no Emission Limit Values (ELVs) associated with these emission points.

With reference to form A1, the operator has submitted the following :

Point	Substance / Parameter	Emission Limit Value	Reference Period	Result [1]	Test Method [2]	Sample Date and Times [3]	Uncertainty [4]
A1	Oxides of nitrogen (NO and NO ₂ expressed as NO ₂)	-	1 hour	107 mg/m ³	BS EN14792	11:38 – 12:38 02/10/2020	5.8 mg/m ³
A2	Oxides of nitrogen (NO and NO ₂ expressed as NO ₂)	-	1 hour	111 mg/m ³	BS EN14792	12:41 – 13:41 02/10/2020	5.2 mg/m ³
A10	Oxides of nitrogen (NO and NO ₂ expressed as NO ₂)	-	1 hour	110 mg/m ³	BS EN14792	10:28 – 11:28 02/10/2020	5.4 mg/m ³

These results relate to emissions monitoring that was carried out 02.10.20 and submitted

as part of 2020's annual monitoring returns. The operator states that annual emissions monitoring has not been carried out in 2021 due to covid restrictions but plans to complete this during Q1 in 2022. NRW considers this a breach of permit condition 3.5.1 (G1-CCS3).

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With reference to form S1, the operator has provided data for emission point S1. Emission point S1 does not have any permitted Emission Limit Values (ELVs) but is subject to Trade Effluent Consent Limits (TECL). All values provided are within the TECL:

Chemical Oxygen demand (COD) (3259 mg/l Vs TECL 5000mg/l), Suspended Solids (990mg/l Vs TECL 1000mg/l) and pH (6.1 & 9.5 Vs TECL 5-11).

With reference to form WU1, total water usage and specific water usage have increased during 2021 (total-353321m³, specific -9m³/tonne) compared to 2020's reported figures (total-340212m³, specific- 8m³/tonne).

With reference to form E1, specific energy usage increased during 2021 (1.794 MWh/tonne) compared with 2020s reported figures (1.746 MWh/tonne).

With reference to form P1, ready meal production during 2021 decreased during 2021 (39384 tonnes) compared with 2020's reported figures (42475 tonnes). The amount of waste kg/ tonne product, increased during 2021 (391 kg/tonne product) compared with 2020s reported figures (270 kg/tonne product).

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	Score
C1 Major	Potential to have a major, serious, persistent and/or extensive impact or effect on the environment, people and/or property	60
C2 Significant	Potential to have a significant impact or effect on the environment, people and/or property	31
C3 Minor	Potential to have a minor or minimal impact or effect on the environment, people and/or property	4
C4 No environmental impact	Non-compliance at a regulated site that cannot foreseeably have any impact on the environment, people and/or property	0.1

How we use assessment scores

The number and severity of non-compliances recorded in a year will affect your annual subsistence fee the following year. A non-compliance factor is added to your site's Operator

Performance Risk Appraisal (OPRA) score when we calculate your fee to reflect the additional resource we use to assess permit compliance.

What are suspended scores?

In line with our guidance, we may suspend scores for up to six months to allow time for remedial action to be taken. Suspended scores will be re-instated if the action is not completed.

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.

Data protection notice

You should make sure that anyone named in this report knows that the information it contains will be processed by Natural Resources Wales to fulfil its regulatory and monitoring functions and to maintain the relevant public register(s).

We may also use and/or disclose the report in connection with:

- offering or providing you with our literature or services relating to environmental matters
- consulting with the public, public bodies and other organisations (e.g. Health and Safety Executive, local authorities) on environmental issues
- 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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What do I do if I disagree with the report or have a complaint?

If you disagree with this compliance assessment report, you should contact the lead officer without delay to discuss your concerns.

If you are unable to resolve the issue with the lead officer or their line manager you should contact our Customer Contact team on 0300 065 3000 (Monday to Friday 08:00 – 18:00), or email enquiries@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk for details of how to raise your dispute further through our Complaints and Commendations procedure.

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you can contact the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales by phone on 0300 7900203 or by email at ask@ombudsman.wales

Welsh Language Standards

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