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Dear Mr. Whittingham

**POLLUTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL (ENGLAND & WALES)
REGULATIONS 2000. GREAT TRYMYNACH FARM POULTRY UNIT**

Thank you for your time and co-operation during our visit to the above farm on 25th April 2012 to discuss your permit and carry out an inspection. As you are aware the Environment Agency has a duty to carry out inspections of sites regulated by such permits.

During the inspection of the above farm the following points were noted:-

1.1 General Management

- Site identification board is located at the gatehouse to the poultry farm entrance.
- We discussed your Accident Management Plan (AMP) during the inspection. You must ensure that your AMP identifies all events or failures which have the potential to cause environmental impacts. It must include an assessment of the likelihood and consequences of these occurrences, action to minimise the potential causes and consequences should an accident occur. The above aspects of the plan were evident on the day of the inspection but Also to be included with the AMP are the:-

- Site Plan
- Raw materials inventory
- Drainage Plan.

All the above were seen on the day of the inspection but should be stored together and be readily available should an accident occur. The accident management plan should be reviewed every four years.

I have attached to the email a template which sets out a format for reviewing an accident management plan and identifying actions needed. The template includes the typical events which may lead to accidents on poultry sites and allows you to audit your own accident management plan against it.

- An inspection and maintenance program is in place.
- No complaints have been reported.
- Training is being recorded.

1.3 Energy Efficiency

- You are in the climate change levy scheme and your four yearly review has been received and approved

1.4 Efficient use of raw materials

- A list and use of materials is kept. and your four yearly review has been received and approved
- Water use is recorded and reviewed and your four yearly review has been received and approved

1.5 Avoidance, recovery and disposal of waste produced by the activities

- Waste plastic is collected by Ardens when they deliver bedding and is recycled.
- Animal carcasses are sent to Celtic Bait as nutrient for maggot production. A carriers note from A .R Edwards was shown with the Animal by products reference number, it would be advisable to keep a copy of one note in the site folder
Your four yearly review has been received and approved.

2.1 Permitted Activities

- Since the last inspection a variation has been issued to increase the number of bird places to 185,900

2.2 Site Plan

- Since the last inspection the site plan has been amended to take account of changes to the dirty water drainage system for houses 7 and 8.

2.3.2 Animal places and movements

- Livestock numbers are recorded during the cycle and in the current cycle were within the permit limit (variation) at 151,558

2.3.6 off site disposal of manure and slurry

- All manure is exported offsite to Pen y Parc farm and an agreement letter with Mr. Rob Watkins was produced and tonnages sent from each cycle are recorded.

2.5 Improvement program

- The improvement program for housing and drainage specified at the issue of the permit are in set out in the operators site file.
- Drainage review: all actions are complete or work is in progress
- Housing Review actions still required as follows :
 - Houses 4 work in progress on replacement of wall and external cladding
 - House 5 work in progress to re-insulate and re-line
 - House 6 work in progress to re-insulate and re-line
 - House 2 work not started on re-lining and re-fanning. **A target date is needed for the commencement of this work and the regulating officer for**

the site informed of the date.

3.3d Storage of chemicals or fuel oil:

- Appropriate pollution prevention measures are needed to be detailed in the accident management plan and implemented with the provision of any necessary spill containment equipment. I have attached a list which sets out likely scenarios which may arise and the minimum measures needed.

3.4/ 3.5 Odour /noise management plans:

- Reviewed and approved

4.2 Reporting:

- Pollution inventory submitted and approved

General infrastructure

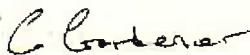
- It was noted during the inspection of the site that as requested in the last inspection the concrete in front of houses 7 and 8 had been renewed. However cracks in front of houses 2, 5 and 6 need repairing, not scored as a breach on this occasion, but will need attention before next inspection and you need to inform the regulating officer when work commences.
- **Heat exchanger houses 7- 8.** I have looked at the guidance on heat exchangers which is in the form of a position statement on the Environment Agency public website (link below) and to summarize what is relevant you : These can be installed without the need for a permit variation as long as the following criteria are met:
- **The local officer must be informed in writing prior to the installation**
- **The condensate must be fed into a tank**
- **The operation and maintenance of the heat exchanger is in accordance with the manufacturers instructions**

Can you please confirm in writing to me the installation date and the arrangements you have in place(or any future modifications you intend to make) to the collection of the condensate. In due course can you also please amend the dirty water collection plan to reflect the new arrangements.

http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/static/documents/Business/Position_statement_-_Heat_exchangers.pdf

Thank you again for your time. If you require any further information regarding this letter or anything we discussed during my visit then please do not hesitate to contact me on the number below.

Yours sincerely



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