

	EPR Compliance Assessment Report	Report ID: 34257/0241563			
This form will report compliance with your permit as determined by an NRW officer					
Site	Metech Recycling (U K) Ltd		Permit Ref	34257	
Operator/ Permit holder	Metech Recycling Uk Ltd				
Date	04/06/2015	Time in	13:00	Out	14:00
What parts of the permit were assessed	Storage and treatment				
Assessment	Site Inspection	EPR Activity:	Installation	Waste Op	X Water Discharge
Recipient's name/position	Graham Bateman & Samantha Evans				
Officer's name	Alex Carter, Lara Moggridge		Date issued	18/06/2015	

Section 1 - Compliance Assessment Summary					
This is based on the requirements of the permit under the Environmental Permitting Regulations. A detailed explanation and any action you may need to take are given in the "Detailed Assessment of Compliance" (section 3). This summary details where we believe any non-compliance with the permit has occurred, the relevant condition and how the non-compliance has been categorised using our Compliance Classification Scheme (CCS). CCS scores can be consolidated or suspended, where appropriate, to reflect the impact of some non-compliances more accurately. For more details of our CCS scheme, contact your local office.					
Permit Conditions and Compliance Summary					Condition(s) breached
a) Permitted activities	1. Specified by permit	C2	1.1		
b) Infrastructure	1. Engineering for prevention & control of pollution	A			
	2. Closure & decommissioning	NA			
	3. Site drainage engineering (clean & foul)	N			
	4. Containment of stored materials	A			
	5. Plant and equipment	A			
c) General management	1. Staff competency/ training	N			
	2. Management system & operating procedures	A			
	3. Materials acceptance	A			
	4. Storage handling, labelling, segregation	C3	1.1		
d) Incident management	1. Site security	A			
	2. Accident, emergency & incident planning	N			
e) Emissions	1. Air	C2	1.1		
	2. Land & Groundwater	N			
	3. Surface water	A			
	4. Sewer	N			
	5. Waste	A			
f) Amenity	1. Odour	A			
	2. Noise	A			
	3. Dust/fibres/particulates	A			
	4. Pests, birds & scavengers	A			
	5. Deposits on road	A			
g) Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting	1. Monitoring of emissions & environment	NA			
	2. Records of activity, site diary, journal & events	N			
	3. Maintenance records	N			
	4. Reporting & notification	N			
h) Resource efficiency	1. Efficient use of raw materials	NA			
	2. Energy	NA			
KEY: C1, C2, C3, C4 = CCS breach category (* suspended scores are marked with an asterisk), A = Assessed (no evidence of non-compliance), N = Not assessed, NA = Not Applicable, O = Ongoing non-compliance – not scored					

Number of breaches recorded	3	Total compliance score (see section 5 for scoring scheme)	66
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If the Total No Breaches is greater than zero, then please see Section 3 for details of our proposed enforcement response

Section 2 – Compliance Assessment Report Detail

This section contains a report of our findings and will usually include information on:

- the part(s) of the permit that were assessed (e.g. maintenance, training, combustion plant, etc)
- where the type of assessment was 'Data Review' details of the report/results triggering the assessment
- any non-compliances identified
- any non-compliances with directly applicable legislation
- details of any multiple non-compliances
- information on the compliance score accrued inc. details of suspended or consolidated scores.
- details of advice given
- any other areas of concern
- all actions requested
- any examples of good practice.
- a reference to photos taken

This report should be clear, comprehensive, unambiguous and normally completed within 14 days of an assessment.

The site visit was undertaken together with the Producer Responsibility team who regulate your AATF, to look at your permitted operations and the Best Available Treatment, Recovery and Recycling Techniques (BATRRRT) for WEEE. We met with Graham Bateman and Samantha Evans, who explained that late last year the company was bought out. The company name and number, however, remain the same.

A1. Specified Activities - Condition 1.1 Specified waste management operations – C2 E1 Emissions, Air – Condition 1.1 Specified Waste Management Operations – C2

As discussed on site, your operations are not compliant with your permit or with the Best Available Treatment, Recovery and Recycling Techniques (BATRRRT). In accordance with your permit and section 4.3 of your working plan, CRT funnel glass must be processed in an enclosed environment with appropriate systems to ensure that any fluorescent coatings and leaded glass dust released are contained and managed properly. You no longer have the correct equipment or extraction booths to carry out this activity on site – these were removed from the site prior to you taking over the site last year. During the inspection officers witnessed CRT glass being smashed up on work benches and put into bags. This is not compliant with your permit or with BATRRRT. You have been breached under A1 as the root cause of the breach being your specified activities and E1 for the breach of the activity causing emissions to air.

Action: You must cease the activity immediately. We will discuss with you implementation of an improvement plan to make the appropriate changes to your site to enable you to come back into compliance.

Employees carrying out the activity wore face guards and masks but this may not be sufficient to comply with Health and Safety requirements for lead exposure. You must ensure you comply with the HSE requirements as well as your environmental permit requirements to protect you and your employees.

C4 Storage, Handling, Labelling and Segregation – Condition 1.1 Specified Waste Management Operations C3

During the inspection you were found to be storing a large number of flat screen TV's outside with no containment and stacked in a manner which was unsafe and was causing breakages to the screens. . Conditions 1.1 of your permit and 5.5 of your working plan, states that you should store this waste inside the building. In addition, the appropriate storage of this waste type must include storage to prevent damage of the mercury components contained within. . You must action the clear up of the site, including ensuring the safe and appropriate storage of these wastes.

As discussed during the inspection, there is a large amount of waste on site which needs to be treated and removed from site. You admitted to having a large backlog that you needed to work through, and we will include actions to resolve this within the upcoming improvement plan.

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Section 3- Enforcement Response	Only one of the boxes below should be ticked
You must take immediate action to rectify any non-compliance and prevent repetition. Non-compliance with your permit conditions constitutes an offence and can result in criminal prosecutions and/or suspension or revocation of a permit. Please read the detailed assessment in Section 2 and the steps you need to take in Section 4 below.	
Other than the provision of advice and guidance, at present we do not intend to take further enforcement action in respect of the non-compliance identified above. This does not preclude us from taking enforcement action if further relevant information comes to light or advice isn't followed.	
In respect of the above non-compliance you have been issued with a warning. At present we do not intend to take further enforcement action. This does not preclude us from taking additional enforcement action if further relevant information comes to light or offences continue.	X
We will now consider what enforcement action is appropriate and notify you, referencing this form.	

Section 4- Action(s)			
Where non-compliance has been detected and an enforcement response has been selected above, this section summarises the steps you need to take to return to compliance and also provides timescales for this to be done.			
Criteria Ref.	CCS Category	Action Required/Advised	Due Date
See Section 1 above			
A1	C2	Ensure BATRRT techniques are used when treating WEEE	N/A
C4	C3	Ensure all flat screen TV's are stored inside and care taken to avoid damage until treatment	N/A
E1	C2	Ensure BATRRT techniques are used when treating WEEE	N/A

Section 5 - Compliance notes for the Operator

To ensure you correct actual or potential non-compliance we may

- advise on corrective actions verbally or in writing
- require you to take specific actions in writing
- issue a notice
- require you to review your procedures or management system
- change some of the conditions of your permit
- decide to undertake a full review of your permit

Any breach of a permit condition is an offence and we may take legal action against you.

● We will normally provide advice and guidance to assist you to come back into compliance either after an offence is committed or where we consider that an offence is likely to be committed. This is without prejudice to any other enforcement response that we consider may be required.

● Enforcement action can include the issue of a formal caution, prosecution, the service of a notice and or suspension or revocation of the permit.

See our Enforcement and Civil Sanctions guidance for further information

This report does not relieve the site operator of the responsibility to

- ensure you comply with the conditions of the permit at all times and prevent pollution of the environment
- ensure you comply with other legislative provisions which may apply.

Non-compliance scores and categories

CCS category	Description	Score
C1	A non-compliance which could have a major environmental effect	60
C2	A non-compliance which could have a significant environmental effect	31
C3	A non-compliance which could have a minor environmental effect	4
C4	A non-compliance which has no potential environmental effect	0.1

Operational Risk Appraisal (Opra) - Compliance assessment findings may affect your Opra score and/or your charges. This score influences the resource we use to assess permit compliance.

Section 6 – General Information

Data protection notice

The information on this form will be processed by the Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to fulfill its regulatory and monitoring functions and to maintain the relevant public register(s). The NRW may also use and/or disclose it in connection with:

- offering/providing you with its literature/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 and taking any resulting action
- preventing breaches of environmental law
- assessing customer service satisfaction and improving its service
- Freedom of Information Act/Environmental Information Regulations request.

The NRW may pass it on to its agents/representatives to do these things on its behalf. You should ensure that any persons named on this form are informed of the contents of this data protection notice.

Disclosure of information

The NRW will provide a copy of this report to the public register(s). However, if you consider that any information contained in this report should not be released to the public register(s) on the grounds of commercial confidentiality, you must write to your local area office within twenty working days of receipt of this form indicating which information it concerns and why it should not be released, giving your reasons in full.

Customer charter

What can I do if I disagree with this compliance assessment report?

If you are unable to resolve the issue with your site officer, you should firstly discuss the matter with the officer's line managers. If you wish to raise your dispute further through our official Complaints and Commendations procedure, phone our general enquiry number 0300 065 3000 (Mon to Fri 08.00–18.00) and ask for the Customer Contact team or send an email to enquiries@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk. If you are still dissatisfied you can make a complaint to the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales. For advice on how to complain to the Ombudsman phone their helpline on 0845 607 0987.