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Whilst Horn Lane and Neasden are not part of the AURN network currently they are both either exceeding or in danger of exceeding the PM10 24 hour objective so it is very important that the EA continues efforts to work with the operator to minimise exceedences and find a permanent solution to them so that you, [redacted] aren't having to put so much of your scarce resource into one site. This is for two reasons. First they might become part of the AURN network at some point in the future as a result of the article 5 review of assessment arrangements. Secondly, and more importantly, there are sound local – health - reasons why breaches of the 50µg/m^3 objective or LV should be minimised and this reflects our national policy in the AQS. We fully support the actions the EA is taking to minimise exceedences and this is an important element in meeting our national objectives and protecting local health but we appreciate the resource challenges this entails and this reflects the need to press the operator to find a more reliable and permanent solution.

With respect to the issue of the time extension, because Horn Lane and Neasden sites are in place to monitor compliance against national objectives the MoT does not apply to them (neither would the time extension), but it is important for the reasons above and also the local concerns from residents and MP etc to continue to apply priority irrespective of that. More generally for the 2011 compliance assessment for London using the AURN and supplementary modelling, the margin allowed will be 35 days over the 12 months with the limit value set at 75ug/m^3 as a daily mean until 11 June and returning to 50ug/m^3 after that. Compliance will be determined in 2012 and reported in the usual way in September (taking natural sources etc into account).

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thanx. Sooner the better please, even if it's just their best guess.

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I will discuss this with [redacted] and [redacted] and get back to you. With respect to the Horn Lane and Neasden the priority is more to make sure these sites take their responsibilities seriously and cooperate to reduce exceedences from an LAQM perspective even though they are not in the AURN. The extension applies until June but how the exceedence days are tallied before and after I do not know as the MOT also would apply until June.

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can you advise on how the Derogation will be applied?

I know Horn Lane/Neasden Goods Yard monitors aren't in the AURN but we are throwing a lot of extra resource into compliance visits at the nearby sites. We are doing what we can to minimise the number of 24 exceedence days, despite there being other factors beyond our control. It's taking its toll on our local staff.

How will the Derogation be applied? Will the numbers of days of exceedence before 11 June count? Or will the clock start again for LV complaince from 11 June? Or will there be some pro-rating from year after 11 June to whole year?

Or will the current numbers measured at Horn Lane/Neasden Goods Yard monitors just not count as they're not in the AURN?

Of course what ever happens, we are still under pressure from Horn Lane residents and MP to do what we can.

Your early advice would be appreciated, even if it's off the record.

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