

# Permit with introductory note

The Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations 2010

G. E. Porter & Sons Limited

Manor Farm Parsons Lane Skinnand Navenby Lincolnshire LN5 0LW

Permit number EPR/LP3732CE

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### Introductory note

#### This introductory note does not form a part of the permit

The main features of the permit are as follows.

Manor Farm is situated approximately 3.5 kilometres west of the village of Navenby, in Lincolnshire. The installation is approximately centred on National Grid Reference SK 94456 56256.

The installation is operated by G. E. Porter & Sons and comprises four poultry houses (numbered 1 to 4) which house a combined capacity of 184,000 broiler chickens. Day old chicks are bought in from the hatchery and housed for an average of 45 days.

The poultry houses are all of identical size and design. Side inlets and roof ridge extraction fans provide ventilation on all houses. Water is provided by nipple drinkers to reduce spillage. Feed is sourced from a nearby feed mill (under the ownership of the operator). Diets are formulated according to the growth requirements of the birds, with protein and phosphorous levels reducing over the growing period. Bird mortalities are collected daily and held in covered, vermin-proof bins prior to incineration on site using a small gas-fired incinerator.

At the end of the growing period, all litter is removed from site and spread on land under the ownership of the operator, under a Manure Management Plan. The houses are all then washed down and disinfected ready for the next crop. Wash water is stored in an underground tank and the contents are spread on neighbouring land. Roof water from all houses and clean yard drainage water drains to a dyke offsite to the south west of the site.

The land around the site is predominantly agricultural land. The surrounding topography is relatively flat and low lying.

There is one relevant nature conservation site, 'Brant House Farm', designated as a Local Wildlife Site (LWS), located within 2 kilometres of the installation. An assessment of the impacts of ammonia from the site has demonstrated there will be no significant impact on the nature conservation sites from the farm installation.

This permit implements the requirements of the EU Directive on Industrial Emissions.

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

Status log of the permit		
Description	Date	Comments
Application EPR/LP3732CE/A001	Duly made 28/01/2014	Application for an intensive farming poultry farm installation permit
Additional information received	17/02/2014	Confirmation of offsite discharge point and dirty water storage
Permit determined EPR/LP3732CE	19/03/2014	Permit issued to G. E. Porter & Sons Limited

End of introductory note

### **Permit**

The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2010

# Permit number EPR/LP3732CE

The Environment Agency hereby authorises, under regulation 13 of the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2010

#### G. E. Porter & Sons Limited ("the operator"),

whose registered office is

Barn Farm Lowfields Navenby Lincoln LN5 0LN

company registration number 03256399

to operate an installation at

Manor Farm Parsons Lane Skinnand Navenby Lincolnshire LN5 0LW

to the extent authorised by and subject to the conditions of this permit.

Name	Date
C G Morris	19/03/2014

Authorised on behalf of the Environment Agency

#### **Conditions**

#### 1 Management

#### 1.1 General management

- 1.1.1 The operator shall manage and operate the activities:
  - (a) in accordance with a written management system that identifies and minimises risks of pollution, including those arising from operations, maintenance, accidents, incidents, nonconformances, closure and those drawn to the attention of the operator as a result of complaints; and
  - (b) using sufficient competent persons and resources.
- 1.1.2 Records demonstrating compliance with condition 1.1.1 shall be maintained.
- 1.1.3 Any person having duties that are or may be affected by the matters set out in this permit shall have convenient access to a copy of it kept at or near the place where those duties are carried out.

#### 1.2 Energy efficiency

- 1.2.1 The operator shall:
  - (a) take appropriate measures to ensure that energy is used efficiently in the activities;
  - (b) review and record at least every four years whether there are suitable opportunities to improve the energy efficiency of the activities; and
  - (c) take any further appropriate measures identified by a review.

#### 1.3 Efficient use of raw materials

- 1.3.1 The operator shall:
  - (a) take appropriate measures to ensure that raw materials and water are used efficiently in the activities;
  - (b) maintain records of raw materials and water used in the activities;
  - (c) review and record at least every four years whether there are suitable alternative materials that could reduce environmental impact or opportunities to improve the efficiency of raw material and water use; and
  - (d) take any further appropriate measures identified by a review.

# 1.4 Avoidance, recovery and disposal of wastes produced by the activities

- 1.4.1 The operator shall take appropriate measures to ensure that:
  - (a) the waste hierarchy referred to in Article 4 of the Waste Framework Directive is applied to the generation of waste by the activities; and
  - (b) any waste generated by the activities is treated in accordance with the waste hierarchy referred to in Article 4 of the Waste Framework Directive; and

- (c) where disposal is necessary, this is undertaken in a manner which minimises its impact on the environment.
- 1.4.2 The operator shall review and record at least every four years whether changes to those measures should be made and take any further appropriate measures identified by a review.

### 2 Operations

#### 2.1 Permitted activities

2.1.1 The operator is only authorised to carry out the activities specified in schedule 1 table S1.1 (the "activities").

#### 2.2 The site

2.2.1 The activities shall not extend beyond the site, being the land shown edged in green on the site plan at schedule 7 to this permit.

#### 2.3 Operating techniques

- 2.3.1 (a) The activities shall, subject to the conditions of this permit, be operated using the techniques and in the manner described in the documentation specified in schedule 1, table S1.2, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.
  - (b) If notified by the Environment Agency that the activities are giving rise to pollution, the operator shall submit to the Environment Agency for approval within the period specified, a revision of any plan or other documentation ("plan") specified in schedule 1, table S1.2 or otherwise required under this permit which identifies and minimises the risks of pollution relevant to that plan, and shall implement the approved revised plan in place of the original from the date of approval, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.
- 2.3.2 The operator shall maintain and implement a system to record the number of animal places and animal movements.
- 2.3.4 The operator shall take appropriate measures in off-site disposal or recovery of solid manure or slurry to prevent, or where this is not practicable to minimise, pollution.
- 2.3.5 The operator shall:
  - (a) maintain and implement a manure management plan;
  - (b) review and record at least every four years whether changes to the plan should be made;
  - (c) make any appropriate changes to the plan identified by the review.
- 2.3.6 The operator shall ensure that where waste produced by the activities is sent to a relevant waste operation, that operation is provided with the following information, prior to the receipt of the waste:
  - (a) the nature of the process producing the waste;
  - (b) the composition of the waste;
  - (c) the handling requirements of the waste;
  - (d) the hazardous property associated with the waste, if applicable; and
  - (e) the waste code of the waste.

2.3.7 The operator shall ensure that where waste produced by the activities is sent to a landfill site, it meets the waste acceptance criteria for that landfill.

### 3 Emissions and monitoring

#### 3.1 Emissions to water, air or land

- 3.1.1 There shall be no point source emissions to water, air or land except from the sources and emission points listed in schedule 3 tables S3.1, S3.2 and S3.3.
- 3.1.2 The limits given in schedule 3 shall not be exceeded.
- 3.1.3 Periodic monitoring shall be carried out at least once every 5 years for groundwater and 10 years for soil, unless such monitoring is based on a systematic appraisal of the risk of contamination.

#### 3.2 Emissions of substances not controlled by emission limits

- 3.2.1 Emissions of substances not controlled by emission limits (excluding odour) shall not cause pollution. The operator shall not be taken to have breached this condition if appropriate measures, including, but not limited to, those specified in any approved emissions management plan, have been taken to prevent or where that is not practicable, to minimise, those emissions.
- 3.2.2 The operator shall:
  - (a) if notified by the Environment Agency that the activities are giving rise to pollution, submit to the Environment Agency for approval within the period specified, an emissions management plan which identifies and minimises the risks of pollution from emissions of substances not controlled by emission limits;
  - (b) implement the approved emissions management plan, from the date of approval, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.
- 3.2.3 All liquids in containers, whose emission to water or land could cause pollution, shall be provided with secondary containment, unless the operator has used other appropriate measures to prevent or where that is not practicable, to minimise, leakage and spillage from the primary container.

#### 3.3 Odour

3.3.1 Emissions from the activities shall be free from odour at levels likely to cause pollution outside the site, as perceived by an authorised officer of the Environment Agency, unless the operator has used appropriate measures, including, but not limited to, those specified in any approved odour management plan, to prevent or where that is not practicable to minimise the odour.

#### 3.4 Noise and vibration

3.4.1 Emissions from the activities shall be free from noise and vibration at levels likely to cause pollution outside the site, as perceived by an authorised officer of the Environment Agency, unless the operator has used appropriate measures, including, but not limited to, those specified in any approved noise and vibration management plan to prevent or where that is not practicable to minimise the noise and vibration.

### 3.5 Monitoring

- 3.5.1 The operator shall, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency, undertake the monitoring specified in the following tables in schedule 3 to this permit:
  - (a) point source emissions specified in tables S3.1, S3.2 and S3.3.

#### 3.6 Pests

- 3.6.1 The activities shall not give rise to the presence of pests which are likely to cause pollution, hazard or annoyance outside the boundary of the site. The operator shall not be taken to have breached this condition if appropriate measures, including, but not limited to, those specified in any approved pests management plan, have been taken to prevent or where that is not practicable, to minimise the presence of pests on the site.
- 3.6.2 The operator shall:
  - if notified by the Environment Agency, submit to the Environment Agency for approval within the period specified, a pests management plan which identifies and minimises risks of pollution, hazard or annoyance from pests;
  - (b) implement the pests management plan, from the date of approval, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.

#### 4 Information

#### 4.1 Records

- 4.1.1 All records required to be made by this permit shall:
  - (a) be legible;
  - (b) be made as soon as reasonably practicable;
  - (c) if amended, be amended in such a way that the original and any subsequent amendments remain legible, or are capable of retrieval; and
  - (d) be retained, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency, for at least 6 years from the date when the records were made, or in the case of the following records until permit surrender:
    - (i) off-site environmental effects; and
    - (ii) matters which affect the condition of the land and groundwater.
- 4.1.2 The operator shall keep on site all records, plans and the management system required to be maintained by this permit, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.

### 4.2 Reporting

- 4.2.1 The operator shall send all reports and notifications required by the permit to the Environment Agency using the contact details supplied in writing by the Environment Agency
- 4.2.2 The operator shall, unless notice under this condition has been served within the preceding four years, submit to the Environment Agency, within six months of receipt of a written notice, a report assessing whether there are other appropriate measures that could be taken to prevent, or where that is not practicable, to minimise pollution.

#### 4.3 Notifications

- 4.3.1 (a) In the event that the operation of the activities gives rise to an incident or accident which significantly affects or may significantly affect the environment, the operator must immediately—
  - (i) inform the Environment Agency,
  - (ii) take the measures necessary to limit the environmental consequences of such an incident or accident, and

- (iii) take the measures necessary to prevent further possible incidents or accidents;
- (b) in the event of a breach of any permit condition the operator must immediately—
  - (i) inform the Environment Agency, and
  - take the measures necessary to ensure that compliance is restored within the shortest possible time;
- (c) in the event of a breach of permit condition which poses an immediate danger to human health or threatens to cause an immediate significant adverse effect on the environment, the operator must immediately suspend the operation of the activities or the relevant part of it until compliance with the permit conditions has been restored.
- 4.3.2 Any information provided under condition 4.3.1 shall be confirmed by sending the information listed in schedule 5 to this permit within the time period specified in that schedule.
- 4.3.3 Where the Environment Agency has requested in writing that it shall be notified when the operator is to undertake monitoring and/or spot sampling, the operator shall inform the Environment Agency when the relevant monitoring and/or spot sampling is to take place. The operator shall provide this information to the Environment Agency at least 14 days before the date the monitoring is to be undertaken.
- 4.3.4 The Environment Agency shall be notified within 14 days of the occurrence of the following matters, except where such disclosure is prohibited by Stock Exchange rules:

Where the operator is a registered company:

- (a) any change in the operator's trading name, registered name or registered office address; and
- (b) any steps taken with a view to the operator going into administration, entering into a company voluntary arrangement or being wound up.

Where the operator is a corporate body other than a registered company:

- (a) any change in the operator's name or address; and
- (b) any steps taken with a view to the dissolution of the operator.

In any other case:

- (a) the death of any of the named operators (where the operator consists of more than one named individual):
- (b) any change in the operator's name(s) or address(es); and
- (c) any steps taken with a view to the operator, or any one of them, going into bankruptcy, entering into a composition or arrangement with creditors, or, in the case of them being in a partnership, dissolving the partnership.
- 4.3.5 Where the operator proposes to make a change in the nature or functioning, or an extension of the activities, which may have consequences for the environment and the change is not otherwise the subject of an application for approval under the Regulations or this permit:
  - (a) the Environment Agency shall be notified at least 14 days before making the change; and
  - (b) the notification shall contain a description of the proposed change in operation.
- 4.3.6 The Environment Agency shall be given at least 14 days notice before implementation of any part of the site closure plan.
- 4.3.7 Where the operator has entered into a climate change agreement with the Government, the Environment Agency shall be notified within one month of:

- (a) a decision by the Secretary of State not to re-certify the agreement;
- (b) a decision by either the operator or the Secretary of State to terminate the agreement; and
- (c) any subsequent decision by the Secretary of State to re-certify such an agreement.

### 4.4 Interpretation

- 4.4.1 In this permit the expressions listed in schedule 6 shall have the meaning given in that schedule.
- 4.4.2 In this permit references to reports and notifications mean written reports and notifications, except where reference is made to notification being made "without delay", in which case it may be provided by telephone

# Schedule 1 - Operations

Table S1.1 activities		
Activity listed in Schedule 1 of the EP Regulations	Description of specified activity	Limits of specified activity
Section 6.9 A(1)(a)(i) Rearing of poultry intensively in an installation with more than 40,000 places	The rearing of poultry in a facility with a capacity for 184,000 broiler chicken places.	From receipt of birds, raw materials and fuels onto the site to removal of birds and associated wastes from site
Directly Associated Activity		
Carcass incineration	Operation of an Incinerator for carcass disposal Animal Health and Veterinary Laboratories Agency (AHVLA) approved < 50 kg/hr.	From receipt of raw materials, fuels and input of carcasses to release of combustion products to air and associated wastes removed from site

Table S1.2 Operating techniques					
Description	Parts	Date Received			
Application EPR/LP3732CE/A001	Responses to Parts B2 and B3 of the application form and referenced supporting documentation.	Duly made 28/01/2014			
Application EPR/LP3732CE/A001	Odour management plan reference Appendix 9 Odour Management Plan September 2013 and Noise management plan reference Appendix 10 Noise Management Plan September 2013 in response to Part B3 section 3b, Table 3b – General Requirements of the application form.	28/01/2014			
Additional information requested 17/02/2014	Response to Request for Information confirming offsite emission point, dirty water drainage and ventilation	17/02/2014			

# Schedule 2 - Waste types, raw materials and fuels

Table S2.1 Raw materials and fuels	
Raw materials and fuel description	Specification
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# Schedule 3 – Emissions and monitoring

Table S3.1 Point source	e emissions	to air – emiss	ion limits and mo	onitoring requ	irements	
Emission point ref. & location	Parameter	Source	Limit (incl. unit)	Reference period	Monitoring frequency	Monitoring standard or method
Roof ridge fan outlets on poultry houses 1 – 4 as shown on the site plan as shown on the site plan reference Appendix 1e Site Layout 09-32-21 dated 18/07/2012 in the application EPR/LP3732CE/A001		Poultry houses 1, 2, 3 & 4				
Chimney from carcass incinerator as shown on the site plan reference Appendix 1e Site Layout 09-32-21 dated 18/07/2012 in the application EPR/LP3732CE/A001		Carcass incinerator				
Exhaust on generator as shown on the site plan reference Appendix 1e Site Layout 09-32-21 dated 18/07/2012 in the application EPR/LP3732CE/A001		Generator				
Vent from oil tank as shown on the site plan reference Appendix 1e Site Layout 09-32-21 dated 18/07/2012 in the application EPR/LP3732CE/A001		Diesel Tank				

Table S3.2 Point Source emissions to water (other than sewer) – emission limits and monitoring requirements						
Emission point ref. & location	Parameter	Source	Limit (incl. unit)	Reference Period	Monitoring frequency	Monitoring standard or method
Discharge to offsite dyke south west of poultry house 4 as shown on the site plan reference Appendix 1e Site Layout 09-32-21 dated 18/07/2012 in the application EPR/LP3732CE/A001		Roof water from poultry houses 1 - 4				

Table S3.2 Point Source emissions to water (other than sewer) – emission limits and monitoring requirements						
Emission point ref. & location	Parameter	Source	Limit (incl. unit)	Reference Period	Monitoring frequency	Monitoring standard or method
Discharge to offsite dyke south west of poultry house 4 as shown on the site plan reference Appendix 1e Site Layout 09-32-33 dated 25/11/2013 in the application EPR/LP3732CE/A001		Water draining from yard (excluding poultry house wash out periods)				

Table S3.3 Point source	e emissions t	o land- emiss	ion limits	and monitori	ing requirement	ts
Emission point ref. & location	Parameter	Source	Limit (incl. Unit)	Reference period	Monitoring frequency	Monitoring standard or method
Discharge to offsite dyke south west of poultry house 4 as shown on the site plan reference Appendix 1e Site Layout 09-32-21 dated 18/07/2012 in the application EPR/LP3732CE/A001		Roof water from poultry houses 1 - 4				
Discharge to offsite dyke south west of poultry house 4 as shown on the site plan reference Appendix 1e Site Layout 09-32-21 dated 18/07/2012 in the application EPR/LP3732CE/A001		Water draining from yard (excluding poultry house wash out periods)				

# **Schedule 4 - Reporting**

There is no reporting under this schedule.

## **Schedule 5 - Notification**

These pages outline the information that the operator must provide.

Units of measurement used in information supplied under Part A and B requirements shall be appropriate to the circumstances of the emission. Where appropriate, a comparison should be made of actual emissions and authorised emission limits.

If any information is considered commercially confidential, it should be separated from non-confidential information, supplied on a separate sheet and accompanied by an application for commercial confidentiality under the provisions of the EP Regulations.

#### Part A

Permit Number	EPR/LP3732CE
Name of operator	G. E. Porter & Sons Limited
Location of Facility	Manor Farm, Parsons Lane, Skinnard, Navenby, Lincolnshire.
	LN5 0LW
Time and date of the detection	

(a) Notification requirements for any malfunction, breakdown or failure of equipment or techniques,				
accident, or emission of a substance not controlled by an emission limit which has caused, is				
causing or may cause significant	pollution			
To b	e notified within 24 hours of detection			
Date and time of the event				
Reference or description of the				
location of the event				
Description of where any release				
into the environment took place				
Substances(s) potentially				
released				
Best estimate of the quantity or				
rate of release of substances				
Measures taken, or intended to				
be taken, to stop any emission				
Description of the failure or				
accident.				

(b) Notification requirements for the breach of a limit			
To be notified within 24 hours of detection unless otherwise specified below			
Emission point reference/ source			
Parameter(s)			
Limit			
Measured value and uncertainty			
Date and time of monitoring			
Measures taken, or intended to			
be taken, to stop the emission			

Time periods for notification following detection of a broad	
Parameter	Notification period
(c) Notification requirements for the detection of any signature of the detection of the detection of any signature of the detection of the de	
To be notified within 24 ho	urs of detection
Description of where the effect on	
the environment was detected	
Substances(s) detected	
Concentrations of substances	
detected	
Date of monitoring/sampling	
Part B - to be submitted as soon as property of the property of the submitted as soon as property of the property of the submitted as soon as property of the s	acticable
Measures taken, or intended to be taken, to	
prevent a recurrence of the incident	
Measures taken, or intended to be taken, to rectify,	
limit or prevent any pollution of the environment	
which has been or may be caused by the emission	
The dates of any unauthorised emissions from the	
facility in the preceding 24 months.	
Name*	
Post	

Date

<sup>\*</sup> authorised to sign on behalf of the operator

### **Schedule 6 - Interpretation**

"accident" means an accident that may result in pollution.

"Animal Health" is the government agency that licences small on farm incinerators; formerly known as the State Veterinary Service.

"application" means the application for this permit, together with any additional information supplied by the operator as part of the application and any response to a notice served under Schedule 5 to the EP Regulations.

"authorised officer" means any person authorised by the Environment Agency under section 108(1) of The Environment Act 1995 to exercise, in accordance with the terms of any such authorisation, any power specified in section 108(4) of that Act.

"best available treatment, recovery and recycling techniques" shall have the meaning given to it in the document published jointly by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs, the Welsh Assembly Government and the Scottish Executive on 27th November 2006, entitled "Guidance on Best Available Treatment, Recovery and Recycling Techniques (BATRRT) and Treatment of Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE);

"building" means a construction that has the objective of providing sheltering cover and minimising emissions of noise, particulate matter, odour and litter.

"emissions to land" includes emissions to groundwater.

"emissions of substances not controlled by emission limits" means emissions of substances to air, water or land from the activities, either from the emission points specified in schedule 3 or from other localised or diffuse sources, which are not controlled by an emission limit.

"EP Regulations" means The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations SI 2010 No.675 and words and expressions used in this permit which are also used in the Regulations have the same meanings as in those Regulations.

"groundwater" means all water, which is below the surface of the ground in the saturation zone and in direct contact with the ground or subsoil.

"Industrial Emissions Directive" means DIRECTIVE 2010/75/EU OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND OF THE COUNCIL of 24 November 2010 on industrial emissions.

"Manure and slurry" have the following meaning:

- Manures may be either slurries or solid manures.
- Slurries consist of excreta produced by livestock whilst in a yard or building mixed with rainwater and
  wash water and, in some cases, waste bedding and feed. Slurries can be pumped or discharged by
  gravity.
- Slurry includes duck effluent, seepage from manure and wash water.
- Solid manures include farmyard manure (FYM) and comprise material from straw-based housing systems, excreta with lots of straw/sawdust/woodchips in it, or solids from mechanical separators.
- Most poultry systems produce solid manure (litter).
- · Solid manure can generally be stacked.

"Manure management plan" means the requirements described in Section 2.3 of SGN 6.09 How to Comply – Intensive Farming.

"SGN How to comply – Intensive Farming" The EPR Sector Guidance Note 6.09 for intensive pig and poultry farmers, Version 2 published January 2010.

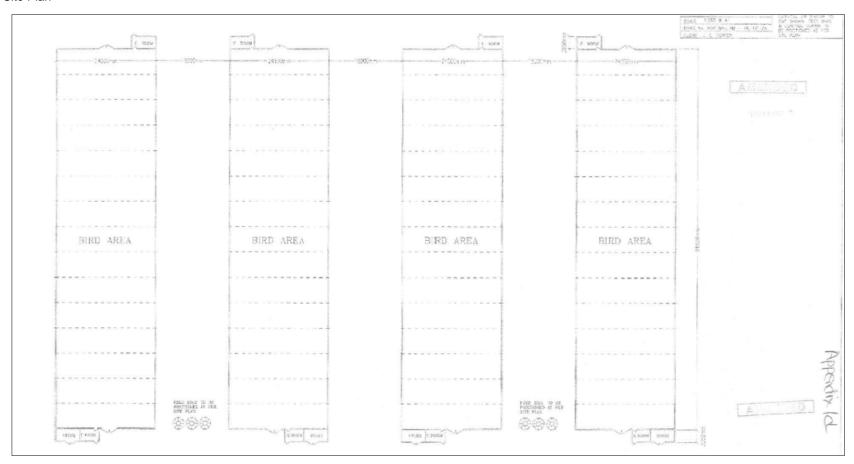
"year" means calendar year ending 31 December.

# Schedule 7 - Site plan

Installation boundary plan



#### Site Plan



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