

# Environment Agency permitting decisions

## Surrender

We have decided to accept the surrender of the permit for Flimby Works by Evonik Goldschmidt UK Limited.

The permit number is EPR/BM4198IC.

We are satisfied that the necessary measures have been taken to avoid any pollution risk and to return the site to a satisfactory state.

We consider in reaching that decision we have taken into account all relevant considerations and legal requirements.

## Purpose of this document

This decision document:

- explains how the operator's application has been determined
- provides a record of the decision-making process
- shows how all relevant factors have been taken into account

## Structure of this document

- Key issues
- Annex 1 the decision checklist

## Key issues of the decision

The applicant has provided an application for full surrender with supporting evidence that comprises:

The following documents were submitted on 29<sup>th</sup> September 2015 in support of the application to surrender the permit:

- Site Condition Report Template: not dated;
- Operational Description Report, prepared by Brian McAvoy, not dated;
- Site Closure Plan, reference EV SCP 2015, dated 2015 prepared by Brian McAvoy;
- Letter detailing the Environmental Investigation Strategy, dated 20<sup>th</sup> April 2015 and prepared by FWS Geological and Geo-environmental Consultants;
- Contamination Site Investigation, reference 1917OR02 Rev.2, dated September 2015 and prepared by FWS Geological and Geo-environmental Consultants;
- Email from Operator confirming removal of diesel tanks without incident (dated 4<sup>th</sup> Feb 2016)
- Drainage reports prepared by Unblock Cumbria Ltd: dated

- 1<sup>st</sup> June 2010;
  - 20<sup>th</sup> May 2015 (and video); and
  - 25<sup>th</sup> June 2015 (and video).
- Letter from Unblock Cumbria Ltd re drainage survey, dated 1<sup>st</sup> July 2015.

The surrender application and supporting documentation aim to demonstrate that the site has been returned in a satisfactory state. Following our review of the surrender application and supporting information we, the Environment Agency, are satisfied that the operator, has provided sufficient evidence to demonstrate that the facility and site has been returned in a satisfactory state.

## Annex 1: decision checklist

This document should be read in conjunction with the Duly Making checklist, the application and supporting information, Site Condition Report Evaluation Template and surrender notice/letter.

Aspect considered	Justification / Detail	Criteria met
		Yes
<b>The site</b>		
Extent of the surrender application	The operator has provided a plan showing the extent of the site of the facility that is to be surrendered.  We consider this plan to be satisfactory.	✓
Pollution risk	We are satisfied that the necessary measures have been taken to avoid a pollution risk resulting from the operation of the regulated facility.	✓
Satisfactory state	We are satisfied that the necessary measures have been taken to return the site of the regulated facility to a satisfactory state.  In coming to this decision we have had regard to the state of the site before the facility was put into operation.	✓