

Environment Agency permitting decisions

Surrender

We have decided to accept the surrender of the permit for INEOS Compounds Aycliffe Limited Swindon operated by INEOS Compounds Aycliffe Limited.

The permit number is EPR/FP3339RX.

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 9th August 2016 in support of the application to surrender the permit:

- Ineos, Swindon, Site Closure and Permit Surrender: Site Condition Report, dated July 2016, report number R5513/05, prepared by ESG.
- Appendix A – Plans:
 - Site Location Plan, dated February 2006.
 - Site Layout and Installation Boundary, dated December 2004.
 - Plant Layout, dated December 2004.
 - Schedule 5 of permit EPR/FP3339RX: Site Plan.
 - Delineation Exploratory Hole Location Plan, drawing number 01/OC/1013.
- Appendix B – Doeflex Vitapol, Hawksworth: Application for a Permit to Operate a Part A1 Installation under the Pollution, Prevention and Control (England and Wales) Regulations 2000, dated 20th December

2004, report reference ENVIRON 64-C8329, prepared by ENVIRON UK Ltd.

- Appendix C – First Phase Reporting of SPMP with Reference Data, dated February 2006, report reference ENVIRON 64-C9531, prepared by ENVIRON UK Ltd.
- Appendix D – Geoenvironmental Interpretative Report on Ground Investigation, dated March 2016, report number R5513/1, Issue 3, prepared by ESG.
- Appendix E – Geoenvironmental Interpretative Report on Ground Investigation: Machine Pit Sampling, dated February 2016, report number R5513/2, prepared by ESG.
- Appendix F – Removal of Hotspots: Machine Pit, dated April 2016, report number R5513/3, prepared by ESG.
- Appendix G – Letter Report: Sampling, Laboratory Analysis and Waste Classification Assessment, dated 19th May 2016, report number R5513/004, prepared by ESG.
- Appendix H – Letter Report: Report on Further Delineation Around Excavations A and B Within Unit 2, dated 26th April 2016, report number R6015/001, prepared by ESG.
- Appendix I – Letter Report: Report on Further Delineation From Eastern Face of Excavation A Within Unit 2, dated 28th June 2016, report number LO/R5513/002/LD, revision 1, prepared by ESG.
- Appendix J – Environment Agency Correspondence.
- Appendix K – Environment Agency EPR CAR Forms.
- Appendix L – ISO 14001 Audit Reports.
- Appendix M – Incident Reports.
- Appendix N – Drainage Survey.

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 and surrender notice.

Aspect considered	Justification / Detail	Criteria met
		Yes
Receipt of submission		
Confidential information	No claim for commercial or industrial confidentiality has been made.	✓
Identifying confidential information	We have not identified information provided as part of the application that we consider to be confidential. The decision was taken in accordance with our guidance on commercial confidentiality.	✓
The site		
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.	✓