

Environment Agency

Review of an Environmental Permit for an Installation subject to Chapter II of the Industrial Emissions Directive under the Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations 2016

Decision document recording our decision-making process following review of a permit

The Permit number is: EPR/MP3304PJ
The Operator is: BWSC Generation Services UK Ltd
The Installation is: Kent Renewable Energy CHP Plant
This Variation Notice number is: EPR/MP3304PJ/V002

What this document is about

Article 21(3) of the Industrial Emissions Directive (IED) requires the Environment Agency to review conditions in permits that it has issued and to ensure that the permit delivers compliance with relevant standards, within four years of the publication of updated decisions on best available techniques (BAT) conclusions.

We have reviewed the permit for this installation against the revised BAT Conclusions for large combustion plant published on 17th August 2017. This is our decision document, which explains the reasoning for the consolidated variation notice that we are issuing.

It explains how we have reviewed and considered the techniques used by the Operator in the operation and control of the plant and activities of the installation. This review has been undertaken with reference to the decision made by the European Commission establishing best available techniques (BAT) conclusions ('BAT Conclusions') for large combustion plant as detailed in document reference IEDC-7-1. It is our record of our decision-making process and shows how we have taken into account all relevant factors in reaching our position. It also provides a justification for the inclusion of any specific conditions in the permit that are in addition to those included in our generic permit template.

As well as considering the review of the operating techniques used by the Operator for the operation of the plant and activities of the installation, the consolidated variation notice takes into account and brings together in a single document all previous variations that relate to the original permit

issued. It also modernises the entire permit to reflect the conditions contained in our current generic permit template.

The introduction of new template conditions makes the Permit consistent with our current general approach and philosophy and with other permits issued to installations in this sector. Although the wording of some conditions has changed, while others have been removed because of the new regulatory approach, it does not reduce the level of environmental protection achieved by the Permit in any way. In this document we therefore address only our determination of substantive issues relating to the new BAT Conclusions.

Throughout this document we will use a number of expressions. These are as referred to in the glossary and have the same meaning as described in “Schedule 6 Interpretation” of the Permit.

We try to explain our decision as accurately, comprehensively and plainly as possible. We would welcome any feedback as to how we might improve our decision documents in future. A lot of technical terms and acronyms are inevitable in a document of this nature: we provide a glossary of acronyms near the front of the document, for ease of reference.

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Glossary of acronyms used in this document

(Please note that this glossary is standard for our decision documents and therefore not all these acronyms are necessarily used in this document.)

APC	Air Pollution Control
BAT	Best Available Technique(s)
BAT-AEEL	BAT Associated Energy Efficiency Level
BAT-AEL	BAT Associated Emission Level
BATc	BAT conclusion
BREF	Best available techniques reference document
CEM	Continuous emissions monitor
CHP	Combined heat and power
CV	Calorific value
DAA	Directly associated activity – Additional activities necessary to be carried out to allow the principal activity to be carried out
EIONET	European environment information and observation network is a partnership network of the European Environment Agency
ELV	Emission limit value derived under BAT or an emission limit value set out in IED
EMS	Environmental Management System
EPR	Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 (SI 2016 No. 1154)
EWC	European waste catalogue
FSA	Food Standards Agency
IC	Improvement Condition
IED	Industrial Emissions Directive (2010/75/EU)
IPPCD	Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control Directive (2008/1/EC) – now superseded by IED
LCP	Large Combustion Plant subject to Chapter III of IED
MSUL/MSDL	Minimum start up load/minimum shut-down load
NO _x	Oxides of nitrogen (NO plus NO ₂ expressed as NO ₂)
NPV	Net Present Value
PHE	Public Health England
SAC	Special Area of Conservation
SGN	Sector guidance note
TGN	Technical guidance note
TOC	Total Organic Carbon
WFD	Water Framework Directive (2000/60/EC)

1 Our decision

We have decided to issue the consolidated variation notice to the Operator. This will allow it to continue to operate the Installation, subject to the conditions in the consolidated variation notice.

We consider that, in reaching that decision, we have taken into account all relevant considerations and legal requirements and that the varied permit will ensure that a high level of protection is provided for the environment and human health.

The consolidated variation notice contains many conditions taken from our standard Environmental Permit template including the relevant Annexes. We developed these conditions in consultation with industry, having regard to the legal requirements of the Environmental Permitting Regulations and other relevant legislation. This document does not therefore include an explanation for these standard conditions. Where they are included in the Notice, we have considered the techniques identified by the operator for the operation of their installation, and have accepted that the details are sufficient and satisfactory to make those standard conditions appropriate. This document does, however, provide an explanation of our use of “tailor-made” or installation-specific conditions, or where our Permit template provides two or more options.

2 How we reached our decision

2.1 Requesting information to demonstrate compliance with BAT Conclusions for Large Combustion Plant

We issued a Notice under Regulation 61(1) of the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 (a Regulation 61 Notice) on 1st May 2018 requiring the Operator to provide information to demonstrate how the operation of their installation currently meets, or will subsequently meet, the revised standards described in the large combustion plant BAT Conclusions document. The Notice also required that where the revised standards are not currently met, the operator should provide information that:

- Describes the techniques that will be implemented before 17th August 2021, which will then ensure that operations meet the revised standard, or
- Justifies why standards will not be met by 17th August 2021, and confirmation of the date when the operation of those processes will cease within the installation or an explanation of why the revised BAT standard is not applicable to those processes, or
- Justifies why an alternative technique will achieve the same level of environmental protection equivalent to the revised standard described in the BAT Conclusions.

Where the Operator proposed that they were not intending to meet a BAT standard that also included a BAT Associated Emission Level (BAT AEL) described in the BAT Conclusions Document, the Regulation 61 Notice requested that the Operator make a formal request for derogation from compliance with that AEL (as provisioned by Article 15(4) of IED). In this circumstance, the Notice identified that any such request for derogation must be supported and justified by sufficient technical and commercial information that would enable us to determine acceptability of the derogation request.

The Regulation 61 Notice response from the Operator was received on 31/10/18.

- We considered that the response did not contain sufficient information for us to commence the permit review. We therefore issued a further information request to the Operator on 10/03/20. Suitable further information was provided by the Operator on 08/04/20 and 20/04/20.

Further information regarding the emergency diesel generator was requested on 21/04/20 and 24/04/20 and was received on 21/04/20 and 24/04/20 respectively.

2.2 Review of our own information in respect to the capability of the installation to meet revised standards included in the BAT Conclusions document

Based on our records and previous regulatory activities with the facility we have no reason to consider that the operator will not be able to comply with the conditions that we include in the permit.

In relation to BAT Conclusion(s) 1, 9 and 10 we agree with the operator in respect to their current stated capability as recorded in their Regulation 61 Notice response that improvements are required.

We have therefore updated an improvement condition IC03 (BAT 1 and 10) and included an improvement condition IC09 (BAT 9) in the consolidated variation notice, which requires them to upgrade their operational techniques so that the requirements of the BAT Conclusion are delivered by 17 August 2021. This is discussed in more detail in the key issues section and/or in the decision checklist regarding relevant BAT Conclusions.

3 The legal framework

The consolidated variation notice will be issued under Regulation 20 of the EPR. The Environmental Permitting regime is a legal vehicle which delivers most of the relevant legal requirements for activities falling within its scope. In particular, the regulated facility is:

- an *installation* as described by the IED;
- subject to aspects of other relevant legislation which also have to be addressed.

We consider that the consolidated variation notice will ensure that the operation of the Installation complies with all relevant legal requirements and that a high level of protection will be delivered for the environment and human health.

We explain how we have addressed specific statutory requirements more fully in the rest of this document.

4 The key issues

The key issues arising during this permit review are:

- Emissions to air and the emission limits applied to the plant.
- The energy efficiency levels associated with the Best Available Techniques (BAT-AEELs)
- BAT1 and BAT 10 Environment Management System
- BAT 9 characterisation of fuel

We therefore describe how we determined these issues in most detail in the relevant sections of this document.

4.1 Emissions to air and the emission limits applied to the plant

A number of general principles were applied during the permit review. These included:

- The upper value of the BAT AELs ranges specified were used unless use of the tighter limit was justified.
- The principle of no backsliding where if existing limits in the permit were already tighter than those specified in the BREF, the existing permit limits were retained.
- Where a limit was specified in both IED Annex V and the BAT Conclusions for a particular reference period, the tighter limit was applied and in the majority of cases this was from the BAT Conclusions.
- Where AELs are indicative in the BAT Conclusions, these were applied unless adequate justification was provided by the operator to demonstrate that an alternative limit was more appropriate.

The one LCP on site is referenced as LCP462 and is a biomass fired boiler which has a thermal input of 78MWth.

The plant was put into operation after IED came into force and therefore the existing limits in the permit are from Part 2 of IED Annex V applicable to new plant.

The ELVs and AELs are based on the following operating regime:

- Unlimited hours operation

The following tables outline the limits that have been incorporated into the permit for LCP462, where these were derived from and the reference periods at which they apply. The emission limits refer to concentrations, expressed as mass of emitted substance per volume of flue-gas under the following standard conditions: dry gas at a temperature of 273,15 K, pressure of 101,3

kPa and 6% select correct oxygen reference value for plant volume reference oxygen concentration if flue gases. The emission limits and monitoring requirements have been incorporated into Schedule 3 of the permit.

NOx limits (mg/Nm ³)						
Averaging	IED (Annex V Part 2) – New	BREF (Table 9 BAT-c)	Expected permit limits	Basis	Limits apply	Monitoring
Annual	None	225	225	BREF	MSUL/MSDL to baseload	Continuous
Monthly	250	None	250	IED	MSUL/MSDL to baseload	
Daily	275	275	275	IED	MSUL/MSDL to baseload	
95 th %ile of hr means	500	None	500	IED	MSUL/MSDL to baseload	

CO limits (mg/Nm ³)						
Averaging	IED (Annex V Part 2) - New	BREF (Table 9 BAT-c)	Expected permit limits	Basis	Limits apply	Monitoring
Annual	None	250	250	BREF	MSUL/MSDL to baseload	Continuous

SO ₂ limits (mg/Nm ³)						
Averaging	IED (Annex V Part 2) - New	BREF (Table 10 BAT-c)	Expected permit limits	Basis	Limits apply	Monitoring
Annual	None	100	100	BREF	MSUL/MSDL to baseload	Continuous
Monthly	200	None	100	Existing Permit	MSUL/MSDL to baseload	
Daily	220	215	110	Existing Permit	MSUL/MSDL to baseload	
95 th %ile of hr means	400	None	200	Existing Permit	MSUL/MSDL to baseload	

Under the no backsliding rule the Monthly, Daily and Hourly limits will be 100 mg/Nm³, 110 mg/Nm³ and 200 mg/Nm³ respectively, as specified in the existing permit.

HCl limits (mg/Nm ³)						
Averaging	IED (Annex V Part 2) - New	BREF (Table 11 BAT-c)	Expected permit limits	Basis	Limits apply	Monitoring
Annual	None	15	15	BREF	MSUL/MSDL to baseload	Continuous
Daily	None	35	35	BREF	MSUL/MSDL to baseload	

HF limits (mg/Nm ³)						
Averaging	IED (Annex V Part 2) - New	BREF (Table 11 BAT-c)	Expected permit limits	Basis	Limits apply	Monitoring
Average over sampling period	None	< 1.5	< 1.5	BREF	MSUL/MSDL to baseload	Once per year

Dust limits (mg/Nm ³)						
Averaging	IED (Annex V Part 2) - New	BREF (Table 12 BAT-c)	Expected permit limits	Basis	Limits apply	Monitoring
Annual	None	15	15	BREF	MSUL/MSDL to baseload	Continuous
Monthly	20	None	20	IED	MSUL/MSDL to baseload	
Daily	22	22	22	IED	MSUL/MSDL to baseload	
95 th %ile of hr means	40	None	40	IED	MSUL/MSDL to baseload	

NH ₃ limits (mg/Nm ³)						
Averaging	IED (Annex V Part 2) - New	BREF (BAT conclusion 7)	Expected permit limits	Basis	Limits apply	Monitoring
Yearly	None	15	10	BREF	MSUL/MSDL to baseload	Continuous

The H1 air impact assessment with the original permit was undertaken with an ammonia concentration of 10 mg/m³. To ensure the protection of the environmental the limit will be set at 10 mg/m³.

Hg limits (µg/Nm ³)						
Averaging	IED (Annex V Part 2) - New	BREF (BAT conclusion 27)	Expected permit limits	Basis	Limits apply	Monitoring
Average over sampling period	None	5	5	BREF	MSUL/MSDL to baseload	Once per year

4.2 The energy efficiency levels associated with the Best Available Techniques Conclusions

An energy efficiency level associated with the best available techniques (BAT-AEEL) refers to the ratio between the combustion unit's net energy output(s) and the combustion unit's fuel/feedstock energy input at actual unit design. The net energy output(s) is determined at the combustion unit boundaries, including auxiliary systems (e.g. flue-gas treatment systems), and for the unit operated at full load.

The table below sets out the BAT-AEELs specified in the LCP BAT Conclusions for the large combustion plant on the site and the energy efficiency levels confirmed through the Regulation 61 notice response. The

evidence provided to demonstrate that the AEELs are met was in the form of a response to a request for information dated 08/04/20. We consider this plant is BAT in relation to the AEELs.

BAT AEELs (%)			Plant efficiency (%)		
Net electrical efficiency	Net total fuel utilisation	Net mechanical efficiency	Net electrical efficiency	Net total fuel utilisation	Net mechanical efficiency
LCP462: unit description from the AEEL table					
28 - 38	None	None	34.594	NA	NA

4.3 Environment Management System

BAT 1 requires the operator to have an environment management system (EMS) in place that addresses all relevant points (i) – (xvi) as specified under this BAT conclusion. An EMS is not currently in place for this installation.

We have therefore updated improvement condition ICO3 requiring the operator provides an EMS that addresses all the requirements of BAT 1, as specified under points (i) – (xvi).

BAT 10 requires that procedures are in place for OTNOC, improvement condition 3 has been updated requiring that the EMS includes such procedures.

4.4 Fuel characterisation

BAT 9 requires the operator to carry out fuel characterisation. The operator has not yet demonstrated that fuel characterisation is in place as required under point i) of this BAT conclusion. Criteria ii) in relation to the regular testing of fuels and iii) in relation to incorporating the fuel characterisation changes identified as a result of regular testing back into the control system to improve performance have not been developed.

We have therefore included an improvement condition (IC) in the consolidated variation notice ICO9 requiring the operator to submit a plan outlining how this will be carried out for approval prior to the implementation date for the BAT Conclusions.

5 Decision checklist regarding relevant BAT Conclusions

BAT Conclusions for large combustion plant, were published by the European Commission on 17th August 2017. There are 75 BAT Conclusions. Only the BAT Conclusions relevant to the particular fuel type used on site have been replicated below.

This annex provides a record of decisions made in relation to each relevant BAT Conclusion applicable to the installation. This annex should be read in conjunction with the Consolidated Variation Notice.

The conditions in the permit through which the relevant BAT Conclusions are implemented include but are not limited to the following:

BAT Conclusion requirement topic	Permit condition(s)	Permit table(s)
Environmental Management System	1.1.1	S1.2
BAT AELs	3.1.1 and 3.5.1	S3.1a
Monitoring	2.3, 3.5 and 3.6	S3.1, S3.1a, S3.2
Energy efficiency	1.2 and 2.3	S3.3
Noise	3.4 and 2.3	S1.2
Other operating techniques	2.3	S1.2

The overall status of compliance with the BAT conclusion is indicated in the table as:

- NA Not Applicable
- CC Currently Compliant
- FC Compliant in the future (within 4 years of publication of BAT conclusions)
- NC Not Compliant
- PC Partially Compliant

BAT Concn. Number	Summary of BAT Conclusion requirement	Status NA/ CC / FC / NC	Assessment of the installation capability and any alternative techniques proposed by the operator to demonstrate compliance with the BAT Conclusion requirement
General			
1	<p>In order to improve the overall environmental performance, BAT is to implement and adhere to an environmental management system (EMS) that incorporates all of the following features:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. commitment of the management, including senior management; ii. definition of an environmental policy that includes the continuous improvement of the installation by the management; iii. planning and establishing the necessary procedures, objectives and targets, in conjunction with financial planning and investment; iv. implementation of procedures <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Structure and responsibility (b) Training (c) Communication (d) Employee involvement (e) Documentation (f) Efficient process control (g) Maintenance programmes (h) Emergency preparedness and response (i) Safeguarding compliance with environmental legislation v. checking performance and taking corrective action, paying particular attention to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) monitoring and measurement (see also the Reference Document on the General Principles of Monitoring) (b) corrective and preventive action (c) maintenance of records (d) independent (where practicable) internal and external auditing in order to determine whether or not the EMS conforms to planned arrangements and has been properly implemented and maintained; vi. review of the EMS and its continuing suitability, adequacy and effectiveness by senior management; vii. following the development of cleaner technologies; viii. consideration for the environmental impacts from the eventual decommissioning of the installation at the stage of designing a new plant, and throughout its operating life; viii. consideration for the environmental impacts from the eventual decommissioning of the installation at the stage of designing a new plant, and throughout its operating life; ix. application of sectoral benchmarking on a regular basis. <p>Etc - see BAT Conclusions</p>	FC	The EMS is still under production at the time of this review. Improvement condition ICO3 has been updated to ensure that it is in compliance with BAT1.

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	Applicability. The scope (e.g. level of detail) and nature of the EMS (e.g. standardised or non-standardised) will generally be related to the nature, scale and complexity of the installation, and the range of environmental impacts it may have.																				
2	BAT is to determine the net electrical efficiency and/or the net total fuel utilisation and/or the net mechanical energy efficiency of the gasification, IGCC and/or combustion units by carrying out a performance test at full load (1), according to EN standards, after the commissioning of the unit and after each modification that could significantly affect the net electrical efficiency and/or the net total fuel utilisation and/or the net mechanical energy efficiency of the unit. If EN standards are not available, BAT is to use ISO, national or other international standards that ensure the provision of data of an equivalent scientific quality.	CC	The operator has confirmed that the net electrical efficiency of the plant is 34.595% based upon a performance test undertaken on November 2018.																		
3	<p>BAT is to monitor key process parameters relevant for emissions to air and water including those given below.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="322 722 1491 895"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="322 722 689 759">Stream</th> <th data-bbox="689 722 1124 759">Parameter(s)</th> <th data-bbox="1124 722 1491 759">Monitoring</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="322 759 689 863" rowspan="3">Flue-gas</td> <td data-bbox="689 759 1124 791">Flow</td> <td data-bbox="1124 759 1491 791">Periodic or continuous determination</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="689 791 1124 823">Oxygen content, temperature, and pressure</td> <td data-bbox="1124 791 1491 823" rowspan="2">Periodic or continuous measurement</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="689 823 1124 863">Water vapour content ⁽³⁾</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="322 863 689 895">Waste water from flue-gas treatment</td> <td data-bbox="689 863 1124 895">Flow, pH, and temperature</td> <td data-bbox="1124 863 1491 895">Continuous measurement</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Stream	Parameter(s)	Monitoring	Flue-gas	Flow	Periodic or continuous determination	Oxygen content, temperature, and pressure	Periodic or continuous measurement	Water vapour content ⁽³⁾	Waste water from flue-gas treatment	Flow, pH, and temperature	Continuous measurement	CC	<p>The operator has confirmed the following:</p> <p>Flow, Oxygen, Temperature, pressure and water vapour content are all monitored.</p>						
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — HFO- and/or gas-oil-fired boilers and engines — Gas-oil-fired gas turbines — Natural-gas-fired boilers, engines, and turbines — Iron and steel process gases — Process fuels from the chemical industry — IGCC plants 					BAT 48 BAT 56 BAT 64 BAT 65 BAT 73	<p>HF – at least once per year – ISO15713</p> <p>Dust – Continuous – BS14181</p> <p>Metals and Metalloids – Periodic (once per year) – EN14385. The operator has confirmed that the installation will be compliant with this monitoring requirement by 31st July 2021, which is the date by which full compliance with BAT conclusions is required.</p> <p>Hg – Periodic (once per year) – EN 13211. The operator has confirmed that the installation will be compliant with this monitoring requirement by 31st July 2021, which is the date by which full compliance with BAT conclusions is required.</p> <p>We agree that the operator is in compliance with the monitoring requirements of this BAT conclusion.</p>	
N ₂ O	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Combustion plants on offshore platforms 	All sizes	EN 14792	Once every year ⁽⁹⁾	BAT 53			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Coal and/or lignite in circulating fluidised bed boilers — Solid biomass and/or peat in circulating fluidised bed boilers 	All sizes	EN 21258	Once every year ⁽¹⁰⁾	BAT 20 BAT 24			
CO	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Coal and/or lignite including waste co-incineration — Solid biomass and/or peat including waste co-incineration — HFO- and/or gas-oil-fired boilers and engines — Gas-oil-fired gas turbines — Natural-gas-fired boilers, engines, and turbines — Iron and steel process gases — Process fuels from the chemical industry — IGCC plants 	All sizes	Generic EN standards	Continuous ⁽⁶⁾ ⁽⁸⁾	BAT 20 BAT 24 BAT 28 BAT 33 BAT 38 BAT 44 BAT 49 BAT 56 BAT 64 BAT 65 BAT 73			

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	—	Combustion plants on offshore platforms	All sizes	EN 15058	Once every year ⁽⁹⁾	BAT 54		
SO ₂	—	Coal and/or lignite incl waste co-incineration	All sizes	Generic EN standards and EN 14791	Continuous ⁽⁶⁾ ₍₁₁₎ ₍₁₂₎	BAT 21 BAT 25 BAT 29 BAT 34 BAT 39 BAT 50 BAT 57 BAT 66 BAT 67 BAT 74		
	—	Solid biomass and/or peat incl waste co-incineration						
	—	HFO- and/or gas-oil-fired boilers						
	—	HFO- and/or gas-oil-fired engines						
	—	Gas-oil-fired gas turbines						
	—	Iron and steel process gases						
	—	Process fuels from the chemical industry in boilers						
	—	IGCC plants						
SO ₃	—	When SCR is used	All sizes	No EN standard available	Once every year	—		
Gaseous chlorides, expressed as HCl	—	Coal and/or lignite	All sizes	EN 1911	Once every three months ⁽⁶⁾ ₍₁₃₎ ₍₁₄₎	BAT 21 BAT 57		
	—	Solid biomass and/or peat	All sizes	Generic EN standards	Continuous ⁽¹⁵⁾ ₍₁₆₎	BAT 25		
	—	Waste co-incineration	All sizes	Generic EN standards	Continuous ⁽⁶⁾ ₍₁₆₎	BAT 66 BAT 67		
HF	—	Coal and/or lignite	All sizes	No EN standard available	Once every three months ⁽⁶⁾ ₍₁₃₎ ₍₁₄₎	BAT 21 BAT 57		
	—	Process fuels from the chemical industry in boilers						
	—	Solid biomass and/or peat	All sizes	No EN standard available	Once every year	BAT 25		
	—	Waste co-incineration	All sizes	Generic EN standards	Continuous ⁽⁶⁾ ₍₁₆₎	BAT 66 BAT 67		

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	Dust	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Coal and/or lignite — Solid biomass and/or peat — HFO- and/or gas-oil-fired boilers — Iron and steel process gases — Process fuels from the chemical industry in boilers — IGCC plants — HFO- and/or gas-oil-fired engines — Gas-oil-fired gas turbines 	All sizes	Generic EN standards and EN 13284-1 and EN 13284-2	Continuous ⁽⁶⁾ ₍₁₇₎	BAT 22 BAT 26 BAT 30 BAT 35 BAT 39 BAT 51 BAT 58 BAT 75	
		— Waste co-incineration	All sizes	Generic EN standards and EN 13284-2	Continuous	BAT 68 BAT 69	
	Metals and metalloids except mercury (As, Cd, Co, Cr, Cu, Mn, Ni, Pb, Sb, Se, Ti, V, Zn)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Coal and/or lignite — Solid biomass and/or peat — HFO- and/or gas-oil-fired boilers and engines 	All sizes	EN 14385	Once every year ₍₁₈₎	BAT 22 BAT 26 BAT 30	
		— Waste co-incineration	< 300 MW _{th}	EN 14385	Once every six months ₍₁₃₎	BAT 68 BAT 69	
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	— IGCC plants	≥ 100 MW _{th}	EN 14385	Once every year ₍₁₈₎	BAT 75		
	Hg	— Coal and/or lignite including waste co-incineration	< 300 MW _{th}	EN 13211	Once every three months ₍₁₃₎ ₍₂₀₎	BAT 23	
			≥ 300 MW _{th}	Generic EN standards and EN 14884	Continuous ₍₁₆₎ ₍₂₁₎		
		— Solid biomass and/or peat	All sizes	EN 13211	Once every year ₍₂₂₎	BAT 27	
		— Waste co-incineration with solid biomass and/or peat	All sizes	EN 13211	Once every three months ₍₁₃₎	BAT 70	

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		— Waste co-incineration with coal, lignite, solid biomass and/or peat	All sizes	Generic EN standards	Continuous	BAT 71																					
Formaldehyde		— Natural-gas in spark-ignited lean-burn gas and dual fuel engines	All sizes	No EN standard available	Once every year	BAT 45																					
CH ₄		— Natural-gas-fired engines	All sizes	EN ISO 25139	Once every year ⁽²⁴⁾	BAT 45																					
PCDD/F		— Process fuels from chemical industry in boilers — Waste co-incineration	All sizes	EN 1948-1, EN 1948-2, EN 1948-3	Once every six months ⁽¹³⁾ ⁽²⁵⁾	BAT 59 BAT 71																					
5	BAT is to monitor emissions to water from flue-gas treatment with at least the frequency given below and in accordance with EN standards. If EN standards are not available, BAT is to use ISO, national or other international standards that ensure the provision of data of an equivalent scientific quality.						NA	Flue gas treatment is a dry process, therefore, no waste water is generated from the process. This BAT conclusion is thus not applicable.																			
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6	In order to improve the general environmental performance of combustion plants and to reduce emissions to air of CO and unburnt substances, BAT is to ensure optimised combustion and to use an appropriate combination of the techniques given below.				CC	<p>The operator has confirmed that the following measures are in place:</p> <p>That they are compliant with the requirements through a combination of techniques as set out below:</p> <p>a) Fuel blending and mixing – The fuel mix is blended together is the proportions 85% virgin wood and 15% clean uncontaminated waste wood.</p> <p>b) Maintenance of the combustion system –Maintenance is undertaken in accordance with the manufacturer’s recommendations.</p>																	
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7	<p>In order to reduce emissions of ammonia to air from the use of selective catalytic reduction (SCR) and/or selective non-catalytic reduction (SNCR) for the abatement of NO_x emissions, BAT is to optimise the design and/or operation of SCR and/or SNCR (e.g. optimised reagent to NO_x ratio, homogeneous reagent distribution and optimum size of the reagent drops).</p> <p>BAT-associated emission levels</p> <p>The BAT-associated emission level (BAT-AEL) for emissions of NH₃ to air from the use of SCR and/or SNCR is < 3–10 mg/Nm³ as a yearly average or average over the sampling period. The lower end of the range can be achieved when using SCR and the upper end of the range can be achieved when using SNCR without wet abatement techniques. In the case of plants combusting biomass and operating at variable loads as well as in the case of engines combusting HFO and/or gas oil, the higher end of the BAT-AEL range is 15 mg/Nm³.</p>	CC	<p>The operator has confirmed the following:</p> <p>SNCR is installed at the installation and will be used to minimise NO_x emissions.</p> <p>The plant has been designed to operate on a variable load, this could be to meet potential grid requirements, to operate in a power island mode or for financial reasons. In accordance with BAT 7 an emissions limit of 10 mg/Nm³ is appropriate. Although there is</p>			

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8	In order to prevent or reduce emissions to air during normal operating conditions, BAT is to ensure, by appropriate design, operation and maintenance, that the emission abatement systems are used at optimal capacity and availability.	CC	The operator has confirmed the following: In order to prevent or reduce emissions during normal operations the following will be in place: performance analysis of the plant, continuous emissions monitoring, discontinuous emissions monitoring and progressive tuning of the systems.
9	In order to improve the general environmental performance of combustion and/or gasification plants and to reduce emissions to air, BAT is to include the following elements in the quality assurance/quality control programmes for all the fuels used, as part of the environmental management system (see BAT 1): (i) Initial full characterisation of the fuel used including at least the parameters listed below and in accordance with EN standards. ISO, national or other international standards may be used provided they ensure the provision of data of an equivalent scientific quality; (ii) Regular testing of the fuel quality to check that it is consistent with the initial characterisation and according to the plant design specifications. The frequency of testing and the parameters chosen from the table below are based on the variability of the fuel and an assessment of the relevance of pollutant releases (e.g. concentration in fuel, flue-gas treatment employed); (iii) Subsequent adjustment of the plant settings as and when needed and practicable (e.g. integration of the fuel characterisation and control in the advanced control system (see description in Section 8.1)).	FC	An improvement condition ICO9 has been included in the permit requiring the operator to provide full details of their fuel characterisation procedures that are fully compliant with BAT9.

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10	<p>In order to reduce emissions to air and/or to water during other than normal operating conditions (OTNOC), BAT is to set up and implement a management plan as part of the environmental management system (see BAT 1), commensurate with the relevance of potential pollutant releases, that includes the following elements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — appropriate design of the systems considered relevant in causing OTNOC that may have an impact on emissions to air, water and/or soil (e.g. low-load design concepts for reducing the minimum start-up and shutdown loads for stable generation in gas turbines), — set-up and implementation of a specific preventive maintenance plan for these relevant systems, — review and recording of emissions caused by OTNOC and associated circumstances and implementation of corrective actions if necessary, — periodic assessment of the overall emissions during OTNOC (e.g. frequency of events, duration, emissions quantification/estimation) and implementation of corrective actions if necessary. 	FC	The operator has confirmed that ONTOC procedures will be included in the EMS. Improvement Condition 3 has been updated requiring that details of OTNOC are included in the EMS.								
11	<p>BAT is to appropriately monitor emissions to air and/or to water during OTNOC.</p> <p>Description</p> <p>The monitoring can be carried out by direct measurement of emissions or by monitoring of surrogate parameters if this proves to be of equal or better scientific quality than the direct measurement of emissions. Emissions during start-up and shutdown (SU/SD) may be assessed based on a detailed emission measurement carried out for a typical SU/SD procedure at least once every year, and using the results of this measurement to estimate the emissions for each and every SU/SD throughout the year.</p>	CC	The operator has confirmed that during OTNOC continuous emission monitoring continues.								
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c.	Optimisation of the steam cycle	Operate with lower turbine exhaust pressure by utilisation of the lowest possible temperature of the condenser cooling water, within the design conditions				
d.	Minimisation of energy consumption	Minimising the internal energy consumption (e.g. greater efficiency of the feed-water pump)				
e.	Preheating of combustion air	Reuse of part of the heat recovered from the combustion flue-gas to preheat the air used in combustion	Generally applicable within the constraints related to the need to control NO _x emissions			
f.	Fuel preheating	Preheating of fuel using recovered heat	Generally applicable within the constraints associated with the boiler design and the need to control NO _x emissions			
g.	Advanced control system	See description in Section 8.2. Computerised control of the main combustion parameters enables the combustion efficiency to be improved	Generally applicable to new units. The applicability to old units may be constrained by the need to retrofit the combustion system and/or control command system			
h.	Feed-water preheating using recovered heat	Preheat water coming out of the steam condenser with recovered heat, before reusing it in the boiler	Only applicable to steam circuits and not to hot boilers. Applicability to existing units may be limited due to constraints associated with the plant configuration and the amount of recoverable heat			
i.	Heat recovery by cogeneration (CHP)	Recovery of heat (mainly from the steam system) for producing hot water/steam to be used in industrial processes/activities or in a public network for district heating. Additional heat recovery is possible from: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — flue-gas — grate cooling — circulating fluidised bed 	Applicable within the constraints associated with the local heat and power demand. The applicability may be limited in the case of gas compressors with an unpredictable operational heat profile			

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	j.	CHP readiness	See description in Section 8.2.	Only applicable to new units where there is a realistic potential for the future use of heat in the vicinity of the unit		<p>to control the combustion and other items e.g. VSD system to improve efficiency.</p> <p>h) Feed-water preheating using recovered heat – The plant is fitted with flue gas coolers that recover heat from the flue gas to pre-heat the feed water.</p> <p>i) Heat recovery by cogeneration (CHP) - Heat export system is currently fitted and in use supplying heat to Discovery park. Heat recovery is also used on site for workshop and control room heating and hot water.</p> <p>j) Minimisation of heat losses – Lagging is fitted and maintained on the boiler and steam / condensate systems.</p>
k.	Flue-gas condenser	See description in Section 8.2.	Generally applicable to CHP units provided there is enough demand for low-temperature heat			
l.	Heat accumulation	Heat accumulation storage in CHP mode	Only applicable to CHP plants. The applicability may be limited in the case of low heat load demand			
m.	Wet stack	See description in Section 8.2.	Generally applicable to new and existing units fitted with wet FGD			
n.	Cooling tower discharge	The release of emissions to air through a cooling tower and not via a dedicated stack	Only applicable to units fitted with wet FGD where reheating of the flue-gas is necessary before release, and where the unit cooling system is a cooling tower			
o.	Fuel pre-drying	The reduction of fuel moisture content before combustion to improve combustion conditions	Applicable to the combustion of biomass and/or peat within the constraints associated with spontaneous combustion risks (e.g. the moisture content of peat is kept above 40 % throughout the delivery chain). The retrofit of existing plants may be restricted by the extra calorific value that can be obtained from the drying operation and by the limited retrofit possibilities offered by some boiler designs or plant configurations			
p.	Minimisation of heat losses	Minimising residual heat losses, e.g. those that occur via the slag or those that can be reduced by insulating radiating sources	Only applicable to solid-fuel-fired combustion units and to gasification/IGCC units			
q.	Advanced materials	Use of advanced materials proven to be capable of withstanding high operating temperatures and pressures and thus to achieve increased steam/combustion process efficiencies	Only applicable to new plants			
r.	Steam turbine upgrades	This includes techniques such as increasing the temperature and pressure of medium-pressure steam, addition of a low-pressure turbine, and modifications to the geometry of the turbine rotor blades	The applicability may be restricted by demand, steam conditions and/or limited plant lifetime			

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	s.	Supercritical and ultra-supercritical steam conditions	Use of a steam circuit, including steam reheating systems, in which steam can reach pressures above 220,6 bar and temperatures above 374 °C in the case of supercritical conditions, and above 250 – 300 bar and temperatures above 580 – 600 °C in the case of ultra-supercritical conditions	Only applicable to new units of $\geq 600 \text{ MW}_{\text{th}}$ operated $> 4\,000 \text{ h/yr.}$ Not applicable when the purpose of the unit is to produce low steam temperatures and/or pressures in process industries. Not applicable to gas turbines and engines generating steam in CHP mode. For units combusting biomass, the applicability may be constrained by high-temperature corrosion in the case of certain biomasses													
13	In order to reduce water usage and the volume of contaminated waste water discharged, BAT is to use one or both of the techniques given below.			CC	The operator has confirmed that: a) Water Recycling – Water reclaimed from the rest of the plant is used to wet the ash. Rain water is also harvested and used in the wet ash conveyor, as mist air, in the wet ash pit and boiler water canon systems. b) Dry bottom ash handling – This is a wet ash system and so this is not relevant.												
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	m.	Sedimentation	Suspended solids	Generally applicable		
	n.	Stripping	Ammonia (NH ₃)	Generally applicable		
	The BAT-AELs refer to direct discharges to a receiving water body at the point where the emission leaves the installation.					
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	Substance/Parameter		BAT-AELs			
			Daily average			
	Total organic carbon (TOC)		20–50 mg/l ₍₃₀₎ ₍₃₁₎ ₍₃₂₎			
	Chemical oxygen demand (COD)		60–150 mg/l ₍₃₀₎ ₍₃₁₎ ₍₃₂₎			
	Total suspended solids (TSS)		10–30 mg/l			
	Fluoride (F ⁻)		10–25 mg/l ₍₃₂₎			
	Sulphate (SO ₄ ²⁻)		1,3–2,0 g/l ₍₃₂₎ ₍₃₃₎ ₍₃₄₎ ₍₃₅₎			
	Sulphide (S ²⁻), easily released		0,1–0,2 mg/l ₍₃₂₎			
	Sulphite (SO ₃ ²⁻)		1–20 mg/l ₍₃₂₎			
	Metals and metalloids		As	10–50 µg/l		
			Cd	2–5 µg/l		
			Cr	10–50 µg/l		
			Cu	10–50 µg/l		
			Hg	0,2–3 µg/l		
			Ni	10–50 µg/l		
			Pb	10–20 µg/l		
			Zn	50–200 µg/l		
16	<p>In order to reduce the quantity of waste sent for disposal from the combustion and/or gasification process and abatement techniques, BAT is to organise operations so as to maximise, in order of priority and taking into account life-cycle thinking:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) waste prevention, e.g. maximise the proportion of residues which arise as by-products; (b) waste preparation for reuse, e.g. according to the specific requested quality criteria; (c) waste recycling; (d) other waste recovery (e.g. energy recovery), 				CC	<p>The operator has confirmed that the following measures are in place:</p> <p>In general terms:</p> <p>-metals and waste wood are recycled.</p>

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a.	Operational measures	These include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — improved inspection and maintenance of equipment — closing of doors and windows of enclosed areas, if possible — equipment operated by experienced staff — avoidance of noisy activities at night, if possible — provisions for noise control during maintenance activities 	Generally applicable		
b.	Low-noise equipment	This potentially includes compressors, pumps and disks	Generally applicable when the equipment is new or replaced		
c.	Noise attenuation	Noise propagation can be reduced by inserting obstacles between the emitter and the receiver. Appropriate obstacles include protection walls, embankments and buildings	Generally applicable to new plants. In the case of existing plants, the insertion of obstacles may be restricted by lack of space		
d.	Noise-control equipment	This includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — noise-reducers — equipment insulation — enclosure of noisy equipment — soundproofing of buildings 	The applicability may be restricted by lack of space		
e.	Appropriate location of equipment and buildings	Noise levels can be reduced by increasing the distance between the emitter and the receiver and by using buildings as noise screens	Generally applicable to new plant		

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27	In order to prevent or reduce mercury emissions to air from the combustion of solid biomass and/or peat, BAT is to use one or a combination of the techniques given below.				CC	The operator has confirmed that the following measures are in place: c) Fuel choice - Virgin and clean waste wood should not contain mercury. e) Bag filter – a bag filter is installed which will provide co-benefit.		
	Technique		Description	Applicability				
	Specific techniques to reduce mercury emissions							
	a. Carbon sorbent (e.g. activated carbon or halogenated activated carbon) injection in the flue-gas	See descriptions in Section 8.5		Generally applicable				
	b. Use of halogenated additives in the fuel or injected in the furnace			Generally applicable in the case of a low halogen content in the fuel				
	c. Fuel choice			Applicable within the constraints associated with the availability of different types of fuel, which may be impacted by the energy policy of the Member State				
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	d. Electrostatic precipitator (ESP)			Generally applicable				

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	The BAT-associated emission level (BAT-AEL) for mercury emissions to air from the combustion of solid biomass and/or peat is < 1–5 µg/Nm ³ as average over the sampling period.				

6. Review and assessment of derogation requests made by the operator in relation to BAT Conclusions which include an associated emission level (AEL) value

The IED enables a competent authority to allow derogations from BAT AELs stated in BAT Conclusions under specific circumstances as detailed under Article 15(4):

By way of derogation from paragraph 3, and without prejudice to Article 18, the competent authority may, in specific cases, set less strict emission limit values. Such a derogation may apply only where an assessment shows that the achievement of emission levels associated with the best available techniques as described in BAT conclusions would lead to disproportionately higher costs compared to the environmental benefits due to:

(a) the geographical location or the local environmental conditions of the installation concerned; or

(b) the technical characteristics of the installation concerned.

As part of their Regulation 61 Note response, the operator has not requested a derogation from compliance with any AEL values.

7. Emissions to Water

The consolidated permit incorporates two current discharges to sewer identified as S1 and S2. There are no limits set by the existing permit.

As part of our delivery of the Water Framework Directive (WFD) requirements, we need to identify and assess the impact of sources of hazardous pollutants to surface waters from regulated industry. This is relevant to discharges to surface water and/or sewer where there are flue gas treatment activities to which BAT Conclusion 15 applies.

BAT Conclusion 15 requires a reduction in emissions to water from flue-gas treatment. The Operator confirmed that this is not applicable as there is no wet flue-gas treatment at the installation. We agree with the applicability of this BAT Conclusion, refer to Section 6 of this document.

There are no BAT AELs specified in the BAT Conclusions for this type of plant. We have therefore not carried out any additional assessment of the emissions to water as part of this review.

A H1 assessment was completed with the original permit application (EPR/LP3034RD/A001) for the discharge to sewer. All emissions screened out and no further assessment was necessary.

8 Additional IED Chapter II requirements:

Black start operations

In the event of a black out National Grid would call on combustion plant to operate and may require them to do so outside their permitted conditions. We have dedicated black start plant and they are permitted to run as such but this scenario is relevant to the rest of the large combustion plant which could be called depending on the circumstances.

A risk assessment will be carried out by Energy UK/Joint Environmental Programme on behalf of Large Combustion Plant connected to the National Transmission System. Air emissions modelling will be based on generic black start scenarios to establish whether they have the potential to have local impact on the environment or not (on a national basis). If the modelling demonstrates that no significant impacts are likely, the plant can operate under condition 2.3.7. This conditions allows the hourly ELVs for plants operating under a black start instruction to be discounted for the purpose of reporting. We would also require there to be a procedure in place for minimisation of emissions in the case of a black start event and for reporting in the event of a black start. This modelling and the procedures have not been agreed in advance of the issue of the permit review and therefore a condition linking back to an improvement condition have been included in the permit.

Fire Prevention Plan

The site has an FPP in place, however for combustion installations that fall under Section 1.1 A(1) (a): Burning any fuel in an appliance with a rated thermal input of 50 megawatts or more, the FPP is incorporated into the EMS rather than being listed as a standalone condition in the permit. This is because it is acknowledged that the sector specific guidance for fire prevention is more applicable than the generic FPP guidance. The FPP on site however, is incorporated into the operating techniques and EMS on site so is still required to be implemented by the operator.

Ammonia emission limit value

An interim periodic ammonia limit has been introduced into table S3.1 as a result of work on improvement condition IC06. This will be superseded by continuous monitoring following the BREF implementation date.

9 Review and assessment of changes that are not part of the BAT Conclusions derived permit review.

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Receipt of application	
Confidential information	A claim for commercial or industrial confidentiality has not been made.
Identifying confidential information	We have not identified information provided as part of the application that we consider to be confidential.
The site	
Biodiversity, heritage, landscape and nature conservation	<p>The application is within the relevant distance criteria of a site of heritage, landscape or nature conservation, and/or protected species or habitat.</p> <p>A full assessment of the application and its potential to affect the site(s)/species/habitat has not been carried out as part of the permit review process. We consider that the review will not affect the features of the site(s)/species/habitat as the conditions will provide at least the same level of protection as those in the previous permit and in some cases will provide a higher level of protection to those in the previous permit.</p> <p>We have not consulted Natural England on the application. The decision was taken in accordance with our guidance.</p>
Operating techniques	
General operating techniques	<p>We have reviewed the techniques used by the operator where they are relevant to the BAT Conclusions and compared these with the relevant guidance notes.</p> <p>The permit conditions ensure compliance with the relevant BREF, BAT Conclusions. The ELVs deliver compliance with the BAT-AELs.</p>
Permit conditions	
Updating permit conditions during consolidation	We have updated permit conditions to those in the current generic permit template as part of permit consolidation. The conditions will provide at least the same level of protection as those in the previous permit and in some cases will provide a higher level of protection to those in the previous permit.

Aspect considered	Decision
Changes to the permit conditions due to an Environment Agency initiated variation	We have varied the permit as stated in the variation notice.
Improvement programme	<p>Based on the information on the application, we consider that we need to impose an improvement programme.</p> <p>We have imposed an improvement programme to ensure that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Environment Management System contains all procedures specified under BAT 1 • the Environment Management System contains management procedures during OTNOC as required under BAT 16. • the operator will have a plan in place to ensure that the fuel is characterised in line with BAT 9. • the operator will submit a risk assessment for the potential operation of 'black start' on site.
Emission limits	<p>We have decided that emission limits should be set for the parameters listed in the permit.</p> <p>These are described in the relevant BAT Conclusions in Section 5 of this document.</p> <p>It is considered that the ELVs/equivalent parameters or technical measures described above will ensure that significant pollution of the environment is prevented and a high level of protection for the environment is secured.</p>
Monitoring	<p>We have decided that monitoring should be carried out for the parameters listed in the permit, using the methods detailed and to the frequencies specified.</p> <p>These are described in the relevant BAT Conclusions in Section 5 of this document.</p> <p>Table S3.3 Process monitoring requirements was amended to include the requirement to monitor energy efficiency after overhauls on site in line with BAT2.</p> <p>Based on the information in the application we are satisfied that the operator's techniques, personnel and equipment have either MCERTS certification or MCERTS accreditation as appropriate.</p>
Reporting	<p>We have specified reporting in the permit for the following parameters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nitrogen dioxide • Carbon monoxide • Sulphur dioxide • Hydrogen Chloride

Aspect considered	Decision
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hydrogen Fluoride • Dust • Mercury • Ammonia <p>These are described in the relevant BAT Conclusions in Section 5 of this document.</p>
Operator competence	
Management system	There is no known reason to consider that the operator will not have the management system to enable it to comply with the permit conditions.
Growth Duty	
Section 108 Deregulation Act 2015 – Growth duty	<p>We have considered our duty to have regard to the desirability of promoting economic growth set out in section 108(1) of the Deregulation Act 2015 and the guidance issued under section 110 of that Act in deciding whether to grant this permit.</p> <p>Paragraph 1.3 of the guidance says:</p> <p>“The primary role of regulators, in delivering regulation, is to achieve the regulatory outcomes for which they are responsible. For a number of regulators, these regulatory outcomes include an explicit reference to development or growth. The growth duty establishes economic growth as a factor that all specified regulators should have regard to, alongside the delivery of the protections set out in the relevant legislation.”</p> <p>We have addressed the legislative requirements and environmental standards to be set for this operation in the body of the decision document above. The guidance is clear at paragraph 1.5 that the growth duty does not legitimise non-compliance and its purpose is not to achieve or pursue economic growth at the expense of necessary protections.</p> <p>We consider the requirements and standards we have set in this permit are reasonable and necessary to avoid a risk of an unacceptable level of pollution. This also promotes growth amongst legitimate operators because the standards applied to the operator are consistent across businesses in this sector and have been set to achieve the required legislative standards.</p>