

Permitting decisions- Surrender

We have decided to accept the surrender of the permit for Hobbs Cross Biodiesel Installation operated by Trent Energy Limited

The permit number is EA/EPR/QP3600LD.

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 this decision that we have taken into account all relevant considerations and legal requirements.

Purpose of this document

This decision document provides a record of the decision-making process. It:

- highlights key issues in the determination
- summarises the decision-making process in the decisions considerations section to show how all relevant factors have been taken into account

Read the permitting decisions in conjunction with the environmental permit.

Key issues of the decision

- The site never began operations, meaning that no raw materials were brought on site, and there was no waste accepted on site relating to the production of biodiesel.
- There has been no potential for ground or groundwater pollution from the activities permitted as they never commenced operation. Therefore, the condition of the permitted installation land is the same as it was when the permit was first issued.
- We have accepted that this is a low-risk surrender.

Decision considerations

Confidential information

A claim for commercial or industrial confidentiality has not been made.

The decision was taken in accordance with our guidance on confidentiality.

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 confidentiality.

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, having regard to the state of the site before the facility was put into operation.

Growth duty

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 accept this permit surrender.