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Notice of variation and consolidation with introductory note

The Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations 2016

Aqua Operations Limited

Selby Sauces and Pickles Effluent Treatment Plant Barlby Road Selby North Yorkshire YO8 5BJ

Variation application number

EPR/XP3506LZ/V003

Permit number

EPR/XP3506LZ

Selby Sauces and Pickles Effluent Treatment Plant Permit number EPR/XP3506LZ

Introductory note

This introductory note does not form a part of the notice

Under the Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations 2016 (schedule 5, part 1, paragraph 19) a variation may comprise a consolidated permit reflecting the variations and a notice specifying the variations included in that consolidated permit.

Schedule 1 of the notice specifies the conditions that have been varied and schedule 2 comprises a consolidated permit which reflects the variations being made. All the conditions of the permit have been varied and are subject to the right of appeal.

Changes introduced by this variation made by the operator V003

The scope of this variation is to install a Direct Air Flotation (DAF) plant in order for the Operator to meet the requirements of the emission limits set in the permit for parameters monitored in the treated effluent discharged to Tiver Ouse. The DAF plant is replacing the Swirflow Tank to better remove suspended solids from the effluent stream, the DAF plant, associated equipment and materials are enclosed and/or bunded to minimise their impacts.

We consider that in reaching our decision to vary the permit we have taken into account all relevant considerations and legal requirements. We are satisfied that the permit will ensure that a high level of protection is provided for the environment and human health and that the activities will not give rise to any significant pollution of the environment or harm to human health.

Changes introduced by this variation notice/statutory review V002

This consolidated permit has been issued following a full review against the best available techniques (BAT) conclusions for the Food, Drink and Milk Industries published on 4th December 2019 in the official journal of the European Union.

We have implemented the requirements of the Medium Combustion Plant directive and incorporated post-dated requirements for 2030.

The schedules specify the changes made to the permit.

Multi-operator Installation

The installation is located in North Yorkshire approximately 1.7km north-east of Selby town off A19 road, at National Grid Reference SE 63240 33172. It is a multi-operator installation which has two operators – Greencore Grocery Limited and Aqua Operations Limited. The listed activity conducted by Aqua Operations Limited is the biological treatment of waste at an Effluent Treatment Plant (ETP). Greencore Grocery Limited produce the waste treated at the ETP from the treatment and processing of animal and vegetable raw materials to produce products for human consumption. The installation at Selby is a 23-acre site located in a residential area, typically operational for 24 hours a day, 6 days a week with hygiene and engineering activities being undertaken continuously.

Selby Sauces and Pickles Effluent Treatment Plant

This permit is for Aqua Operations Limited, the facility is an ETP which receives, and process effluent generated by the ready meal production facility. The waste received consists of reverse osmosis (RO) permeate, process effluent, and wastewaters from cleaning activities.

The Environmental Permit is for the following scheduled activity:

Section 5.4 A1(b)(i): Recovery or a mix of recovery and disposal of non-hazardous waste with a capacity exceeding 75 tonnes per day involving one or more of the following activities, and excluding activities covered by Council Directive 91/271/EEC—(i) biological treatment.

The treatment capacity is 5500 tonnes per day.

The effluent is passed through a series of biological treatments including equalisation, neutralisation, primary separation, balancing, chemical dosing, Direct Air Flotation (DAF), Anaerobic Digestion (AD) of sludge in one gas bag, biofiltration, and settlement before the treated effluent is discharged to River Ouse. The biogas generated by AD is sent to Greencore Grocery Limited's facility for use.

Air emissions from this site relate to the combustion gases from the operation of two boilers fired on natural gas Boiler 1 (medium combustion plant) which has a thermal input capacity of 1.5MWth and Boiler 2 which has a thermal input capacity of 0.75MWth.

Within 10km from the installation's permitted perimeter there are three Special Areas of Conservation (SAC) and Special Protection Area (SPA), namely River Derwent, Lower Derwent Valley, and Skipwith Common (SAC only). Lower Derwent Valley is also a Ramsar site. Additionally, there are three Local Wildlife Sites within 2km from the site. Human receptors are located at approximately 100m from the site's western boundary.

The Operator uses an Environmental Management Systems (EMS) accredited at ISO 14001 standard.

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

Status log of the permit				
Description	Date	Comments		
Application received EPR/CP3135SV/A001	Received 29/03/2005	Application received for the treatment of effluent.		
Request to extend determination	26/09/2005	Response received 04/10/2005		
Additional Information received	04/10/2005			
Permit determined EPR/CP3135SV	04/04/2006	Original permit issued to United Utilities Industrial Limited.		
Variation notice XP3836LJ issued	15/06/2006	Variation issued to United Utilities Industrial Limited.		
Variation notice CP3238XU issued	01/04/2008	Variation issued to United Utilities Industrial Limited.		
Application EPR/HP3230FP/T001 (full transfer of permit EPR/CP3135SV)	Duly made 14/04/2011	Application to transfer the permit in full to Veolia Water Industrial Outsourcing Limited.		
Transfer determined EPR/HP3230FP	20/04/2011	Full transfer of permit complete.		
Agency variation determined EPR/HP3230FP/V002	13/02/2014	Agency variation to implement the changes introduced by IED.		
Application EPR/MP3130WD/T001 (full transfer of permit EPR/HP3230FP)	Duly made 27/08/2014	Application to transfer the permit in full to Ondeo Industrial Solutions Limited.		
Transfer determined EPR/MP3230WD	03/09/2014	Full transfer of permit complete.		
Application variation EPR/MP3230WD/V002	11/05/2016	Request from operator to change their company name from Ondeo Industrial Solutions Limited to SUEZ Industrial Water Ltd.		
Variation issued EPR/MP3130WD/V002	30/06/2016	Varied permit issued to SUEZ Industrial Water Ltd.		

Status log of the permit				
Description	Date	Comments		
Application variation EPR/MP3230WD/V003	Duly made 13/04/2017	Registered Office address changed to Suez House, Grenfell Road, Maidenhead, Berkshire, SL6 1ES.		
Variation issued EPR/MP3130WD/V003	08/05/2017	Varied permit issued to SUEZ Industrial Water Ltd.		
Application EPR/XP3506LZ/T001 (full transfer of permit EPR/MP3130WD)	Duly made 18/01/2021	Application to transfer the permit in full to Aqua Operations Limited.		
Transfer determined EPR/XP3506LZ	23/03/2021	Full transfer of permit complete.		
Application EPR/XP3506LZ/V002 (variation and consolidation)	Regulation 61 Notice response received 07/10/2022	Environment Agency initiated variation and consolidation following the Food, Drink & Milk Industries sector permit review.		
Variation determined		Changes introduced as a result of the sector review under V002 have been incorporated and consolidated within the permit issued under V003.		
Application variation EPR/XP3506LZ/V003	Duly made 31/07/2023	Application for a variation to install primary screening and Dissolved Air Flotation.		
Additional information requested (dated 26/09/2023)	17/10/2023	Request for further information regarding BATcs 6, 8, 9, 11, 12, AELs for water, EPL for energy, MCPs, SCR, containment, cooling towers, product lines, updated site plan, number of anaerobic digestion tanks, flaring, biogas storage tanks, type of waste used in digestors.		
Additional information requested (dated 05/12/2023)	05/12/2023	Site plan		
Variation determined and consolidation issued EPR/XP3506LZ (Billing ref. KP3045QY).	05/12/2023	Varied and consolidated permit issued in modern format.		

Other Part A installation permits relating to this installation				
Operator Permit number Date of issue				
Greencore Grocery Limited	BO2323IB	04/04/2006		

End of introductory note

Notice of variation and consolidation

The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016

The Environment Agency in exercise of its powers under regulation 20 of the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 varies

Permit number

EPR/XP3506LZ

Issued to

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whose registered office is

Hope Park Trevor Foster Way Bradford England BD5 8HB

company registration number 12730099

to operate part of a regulated facility at

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to the extent set out in the schedules.

The notice shall take effect from 05/12/2023.

Name	Date
Marcus Woodward	05/12/2023

Authorised on behalf of the Environment Agency

Schedule 1

Only the following conditions have been varied as a result of an application made by the operator (V003):

• The change made is reflected in Table S1.1, AR1 where primary separation of influent and dissolved air flotation (DAF) plan has been added to the effluent treatment plant.

All conditions have been varied by the consolidated permit (V002) as a result of an Environment Agency initiated variation.

Schedule 2 - consolidated permit

Consolidated permit issued as a separate document.

Permit

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Conditions

1 Management

1.1 General management

- 1.1.1 The operator shall manage and operate the activities:
 - in accordance with a written management system that identifies and minimises risks of pollution, including those arising from operations, maintenance, accidents, incidents, non-conformances, 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.

1.5 Multiple operator installations

1.5.1 Where the operator notifies the Environment Agency under condition 4.3.1 (a) or 4.3.1 (c), the operator shall also notify without delay the other operator of the installation of the same information.

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").
- 2.1.2 The activities shall be undertaken in accordance with best available techniques.
- 2.1.3 All process plant and equipment shall be commissioned, operated and maintained and shall be fully documented and recorded in accordance with the manufacturer's recommendations.

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, which is within the area edged in red on the site plan that represents the extent of the installation covered by this permit and that of the other operator of the installation.

2.3 Operating techniques

- 2.3.1 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.
- 2.3.2 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.
- 2.3.3 Any raw materials or fuels listed in schedule 2 table S2.1 shall conform to the specifications set out in that table.
- 2.3.4 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.
- 2.3.5 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.

2.4 Improvement programme

- 2.4.1 The operator shall complete the improvements specified in schedule 1 table S1.3 by the date specified in that table unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.
- 2.4.2 Except in the case of an improvement which consists only of a submission to the Environment Agency, the operator shall notify the Environment Agency within 14 days of completion of each improvement.

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 and S3.2.
- 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.
- 3.1.4 For the following activities referenced in schedule 1, table S1.1 (AR2 Boiler 1) the first monitoring measurements shall be carried out within four months of 01/01/2030 or of the date when the MCP is first put into operation, whichever is later.

3.2 Emissions of substances not controlled by emission limits

- 3.2.1 Emissions of substances not controlled by emission limits (excluding odour but including ammonia) 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.
- 3.2.4 The operator shall implement a leak detection and repair (LDAR) programme to detect and mitigate the release of volatile organic compounds, including methane from diffuse sources.

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.
- 3.3.2 The operator shall:

- (a) if notified by the Environment Agency that the activities are giving rise to pollution outside the site due to odour, submit to the Environment Agency for approval within the period specified, an odour management plan which identifies and minimises the risks of pollution from odour;
- (b) implement the approved odour management plan, from the date of approval, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.

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.

3.4.2 The operator shall:

- (a) if notified by the Environment Agency that the activities are giving rise to pollution outside the site due to noise and vibration, submit to the Environment Agency for approval within the period specified, a noise and vibration management plan which identifies and minimises the risks of pollution from noise and vibration;
- (b) implement the approved noise and vibration management plan, from the date of approval, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.

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 and S3.2;
 - (b) process monitoring specified in table S3.3.
- 3.5.2 The operator shall maintain records of all monitoring required by this permit including records of the taking and analysis of samples, instrument measurements (periodic and continual), calibrations, examinations, tests and surveys and any assessment or evaluation made on the basis of such data.
- 3.5.3 Monitoring equipment, techniques, personnel and organisations employed for the emissions monitoring programme and the environmental or other monitoring specified in condition 3.5.1 shall have either MCERTS certification or MCERTS accreditation (as appropriate), where available, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.
- 3.5.4 Permanent means of access shall be provided to enable sampling/monitoring to be carried out in relation to the emission points specified in schedule 3 tables S3.1 and S3.2 unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.

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:
 - (a) 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 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 A report or reports on the performance of the activities over the previous year shall be submitted to the Environment Agency by 31 January (or other date agreed in writing by the Environment Agency) each year. The report(s) shall include as a minimum:
 - (a) a review of the results of the monitoring and assessment carried out in accordance with the permit including an interpretive review of that data;
 - (b) the annual production/treatment data set out in schedule 4 table S4.2; and
 - (c) the performance parameters set out in schedule 4 table S4.3 using the forms specified in table S4.4 of that schedule.
- 4.2.3 Within 28 days of the end of the reporting period the operator shall, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency, submit reports of the monitoring and assessment carried out in accordance with the conditions of this permit, as follows:
 - (a) in respect of the parameters and emission points specified in schedule 4 table S4.1;
 - (b) for the reporting periods specified in schedule 4 table S4.1 and using the forms specified in schedule 4 table S4.4; and
 - (c) giving the information from such results and assessments as may be required by the forms specified in those tables.
- 4.2.4 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 In the event:

- (a) 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) of a breach of any permit condition the operator must immediately—
 - (i) inform the Environment Agency, and
 - (ii) take the measures necessary to ensure that compliance is restored within the shortest possible time;
- (c) 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 Following the detection of an issue listed in condition 4.3.1, the operator shall review and revise the management system and implement any changes as necessary to minimise the risk of re-occurrence of the issue.
- 4.3.4 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.
- 4.3.5 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.

- 4.3.6 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.
- 4.3.7 The Environment Agency shall be given at least 14 days' notice before implementation of any part of the site closure plan.
- 4.3.8 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 reference	Activity listed in Schedule 1 of the EP Regulations	Description of specified activity	Limits of specified activity		
AR1	Section 5.4 A1 (b) (i)	Recovery and disposal of non-hazardous waste with a capacity exceeding 75 tonnes per day by treatment.	From the receipt of effluent from Selby Sauces and Pickles to the discharge of treated effluent to the River Ouse. Treatment capacity of 5500 tonnes per day. Treatment consisting of equalisation, neutralisation, primary separation, balancing, chemical dosing, DAF, anaerobic digestion of sludge, biofiltration, and settlement.		
Directly Asso	ciated Activity				
AR2	Hot water supply	Medium Combustion plants: Boiler 1: 1.5 MWth natural gas fired Non-Medium Combustion plants: Boiler 2: 0.75 MWth natural gas fired	From receipt of fuel to release of products of combustion to air.		
AR3	Odour emissions treatment	Treatment of odorous emissions in chemical wet scrubber using sodium hypochlorite and caustic	From capture of odorous emissions from the installation to treatment in the chemical scrubber		
AR4	Raw material storage and handling	Storage and handling of raw materials of biomaterial to feed anaerobic digestion.	From receipt of biomaterial to use in anaerobic digestion.		
AR5	Storage and use of chemicals	Storage and use of chemicals at the installation.	From receipt of chemicals to disposal of wastes arising.		
AR6	Waste storage and handling	Storage and handling of waste materials	From generation of waste to storage pending removal for disposal or recovery.		
AR7	Surface water drainage	Collection of uncontaminated site surface waters	Handling and storage of site drainage until discharge to the site surface water system leading to the ETP.		
AR8	Emergency flare operation	Incineration on land	Undertaken in relation to Activity AR 1. From the receipt of biogas produced at the on-site		

Table S1.1 ac	Table S1.1 activities					
Activity reference	Activity listed in Schedule 1 of the EP Regulations	Description of specified activity	Limits of specified activity			
			anaerobic digestion process to incineration with the release of combustion gases.			
			Use of one auxiliary flare required only during periods of breakdown or maintenance of the CHP engine, biogas upgrading plant and/or auxiliary boilers.			
AR9	Gas storage	R13: Storage of waste pending any of the operations numbered R1 to R12 (excluding temporary storage, pending collection, on the site where it is produced)	Undertaken in relation to Activity AR1 Storage of biogas produced from on-site anaerobic digestion of permitted waste in a gas bag. From the receipt of biogas produced at the on-site anaerobic digestion process to despatch for use at the Selby Sauces & Pickles facility.			

Table S1.2 Operating techniques			
Description	Parts	Date Received	
Regulation 61 (1) Notice – Responses to questions dated 09/06/2022	All parts	07/10/2022	
Application for variation EPR/XP3506LZ/V003	Responses to forms A, C2, C3, and F1.	31/07/2023	
Request for further information dates 26/09/2023	Relevant hazardous substances monitoring plan	17/10/2023	

Table S1.3 I	Table S1.3 Improvement programme requirements				
Reference	Requirement	Date			
IC8	The Operator shall confirm in writing to the Environment Agency that the Narrative BAT requirements for the BAT Conclusions for Food, Drink and Milk Industries with respect to BAT 6 were in place on or before 4 December 2023. Refer to BAT Conclusions for a full description of the BAT requirement.	One month from permit issue			
IC9	The Operator shall carry out an assessment of the options available for the management of biogas resulted from the on-site anaerobic digestor. A written report summarising the findings shall be submitted to the Environment Agency, along with a timetable for implementing	One month from permit issue			

Reference	mprovement programme requirements Requirement	Date
- Treference	improvements that shall be agreed in writing with the Environment Agency prior to implementation.	Date
IC10	 The operator shall produce a climate change adaptation plan, which will form part of the EMS. The plan shall include, but not be limited to: Details of how the installation has or could be affected by severe weather; The scale of the impact of severe weather on the operations within the installation; An action plan and timetable for any improvements to be made to minimise the impact of severe weather at the installation. The Operator shall implement any necessary improvements to a timetable agreed in writing with the Environment Agency. 	12 months from permit issue or other date agreed in writing with the Environment Agency
IC11	The operator shall establish the methane emissions in the exhaust gas from engines burning biogas and compare these to the manufacturer's specification and benchmark levels agreed in writing with the Environment Agency. The operator shall, as part of the methane leak detection and repair (LDAR) programme, develop proposals to assess the potential for methane slip and take corrective actions where emissions above the manufacturer's specification or appropriate benchmark levels are identified.	12 months from permit issue or other date as agreed in writing with the Environment Agency

Schedule 2 – Waste types, raw materials and fuels

Table S2.1 Raw materials and fuels	
Raw materials and fuel description	Specification

Schedule 3 – Emissions and monitoring

Emission point ref. & location	Source	Parameter	Limit (including unit)	Reference period	Monitoring frequency	Monitoring standard or method
A1 [Point A1 on site plan in Schedule 7]	Sodium hypochlorite and caustic chemical scrubbing system	Odour	No limit set			
A2 [Point A2 on site plan in Schedule 7]	Boiler 1 1.5 MWth Natural gas fired [Note 1]	Oxides of Nitrogen (NO and NO ₂ expressed as NO _x)	250 mg/m ³	Periodic	Every three years	BS EN 14792
		Carbon monoxide	No Limit	Periodic	Every three years	MCERTS BS EN15058
A3 [Point A3 on site plan in Schedule 7]	Waste gas flare	Combustion gases	No limit set			
A4 [Point A4 on site plan in Schedule 7 – includes gas bag]	Boiler 2 0.75 MWth Natural gas fired	No parameters set	No limit set			
A5 [Point A5 on site plan in Schedule 7]	Gas bag	No parameters set	No limit set			

Note 1: This emission limit applies from 01 January 2030, unless otherwise advised by the Environment Agency.

Table S3.2 Point Source emissions to water (other than sewer) and land – emission limits and monitoring requirements						
Emission point ref. & location	Source	Parameter	Limit (incl. unit)	Reference period	Monitoring frequency	Monitoring standard or method
W1 on site plan in schedule 7 emission to River Ouse	Effluent treatment plant	Total daily volume of discharge	5,500 m³/day	24-hour total	Continuous	MCERTS self- monitoring of effluent flow scheme
		Biochemical oxygen demand (BOD)	30 mg/l	24-hour flow proportional sample	Monthly	EN 1889-1
		Chemical Oxygen	120 mg/l	24-hour flow	Daily	As agreed in writing with the

monitoring re Emission point ref. & location	Source	Parameter	Limit (incl. unit)	Reference period	Monitoring frequency	Monitoring standard or method
		Demand (COD)		proportional sample		Environment Agency
		Total suspended solids (TSS)	50 mg/l	24-hour flow proportional sample	Daily	BS EN 872
		Total Nitrogen	20 mg/l	24-hour flow proportional sample	Daily	EN 12260, EN ISO 11905-1.
		Total Phosphorus	5 mg/l	24-hour flow proportional sample	Daily	EN ISO 6878, EN ISO 15681- 1 and -2, ENISO 11885.
		Chloride (Cl ⁻)	No limit set	24-hour flow proportional sample	Monthly	EN ISO 10304- 1, EN ISO 15682
		Fat, oil, and grease (FOG)	No visible release	Continuous	Daily	Visual check
	Uncontaminated surface water run-off via ETP	No parameters set	No limit set			

Table S3.3 Process monitoring requirements				
Emission point reference or source or description of point of measurement	Parameter	Monitoring frequency	Monitoring standard or method	Other specifications
Process scrubber V1234	NaOH	Daily	Not applicable	
Biogas in digester	Flow	Continuous	In accordance with EU weights and measures Regulations	Process monitoring to be recorded using a SCADA system where relevant.
	Methane	Continuous	None specified	Gas monitors to be
	CO ₂	Continuous	None specified	calibrated every 6 months or in
	O ₂	Continuous	None specified	accordance with the
	Hydrogen sulphide	Daily	None specified	manufacturer's recommendations
	Pressure	Continuous	None specified	
Digester(s) and storage tank(s)	Integrity checks	Weekly	Visual assessment	In accordance with design specification and tank integrity checks.

Table S3.3 Process monitoring requirements				
Emission point reference or source or description of point of measurement	Parameter	Monitoring frequency	Monitoring standard or method	Other specifications
Diffuse emissions from all sources identified in the Leak Detection and Repair (LDAR) programme	VOCs including methane	Every 6 months or otherwise agreed in accordance with the LDAR programme	BS EN 15446 In accordance with the LDAR programme	Monitoring points as specified in a DSEAR risk assessment and LDAR programme. Limit as agreed with the Environment Agency as a percentage of the overall gas production.
Emergency flare	Operating hours	Continuous	Recorded duration and frequency. Recording	Date, time and duration of use of auxiliary flare shall be recorded.
	Quantity of gas sent to emergency flare	nt to		Quantity can be estimated from gas flow composition, heat content, ratio of assistance, velocity, purge gas flow rate, pollutant emissions.
Pressure relief valves and vacuum systems	Gas pressure	Continuous	Recording using a SCADA system	Continuous gas pressure shall be monitored.
	Re-seating	Weekly inspection	Visual	Operator must ensure that valves are reseated after release in accordance with the manufacturer's design.
	Inspection, maintenance, calibration, repair and validation	Following foaming or overtopping or at 3 yearly intervals whichever is sooner	Written scheme of examination in accordance with condition 1.1.1	After a foaming event or sticking, build-up of debris, obstructions or damage, operator must ensure that pressure relief valve function remains within designed gas pressure in accordance with the manufacturer's design by suitably trained and qualified personnel.
	Inspection, calibration and validation report	In accordance with design and construction specifications or after over topping or foaming event	Written scheme of examination in accordance with condition 1.1.1	Operator must ensure that valves are reseated after release, after a foaming event or sticking, build-up of debris, obstructions or damage.

Table S3.3 Process monitoring requirements					
Emission point reference or source or description of point of measurement	Parameter	Monitoring frequency	Monitoring standard or method	Other specifications	
				Operator must ensure that PRV function remains within designed operation gas pressure in accordance with the manufacturer's design by suitably trained/qualified personnel.	
				Inspection, calibration and validation report. In accordance with industry Approved Code of Practice	

Schedule 4 – Reporting

Parameters, for which reports shall be made, in accordance with conditions of this permit, are listed below.

Parameter	Emission or monitoring point/reference	Reporting period	Period begins
Point source emissions to air Parameters as required by condition 3.5.1	A2 – Boiler 1	First monitoring undertaken in accordance with Condition 3.1.4 to be reported within 3 months, and then every 3 years thereafter.	From first monitoring requirements in accordance with Condition 3.1.4
Point source emissions to water (other than sewer) Parameters as required by condition 3.5.1	W1	Quarterly	1 January, 1 April, 1 July & 1 October
Process monitoring – digester tank integrity Parameters as required by condition 3.5.1	As specified in schedule 3 table S3.4	Every 5 years from the date of commissioning or as per the manufacturer's recommendation, whichever is sooner	1 January
Process monitoring – under and over pressure relief systems Parameters as required by condition 3.5.1	As specified in schedule 3 table S3.4	Every 12 months Yearly summary report of over-pressure and under-pressure events detailing mass balance release	1 January
Process monitoring – leak detection and repair (inspection, calibration and maintenance) Parameters as required by condition 3.5.1	As specified in schedule 3 table S3.4	Every 3 years	1 January
Process monitoring – use of emergency flare Parameters as required by condition 3.5.1	As specified in schedule 3 table S3.4	Every 12 months	1 January

Table S4.2: Annual production/treatment			
Parameter Units			
Effluent treated	m ³		

Table S4.3 Performance parameters				
Parameter	Frequency of assessment	Units		
Water usage	Annually	m ³		
Energy usage	Annually	MWh		
Waste	Annually	tonnes		
COD efficiency	Annually*	COD te/te product		
Emergency flare operation	Annually	hours		
Electricity exported	Annually	MWh		
Biomethane exported	Annually	tonnes or m ³		
*COD efficiency to be calculated	on a weekly frequency, reported annually	•		

Table S4.4 Reporting forms				
Parameter	Parameter Reporting form			
Point source emissions to air	Emissions to Air Reporting Form, or other form as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency	Version 1, 08/03/2021		
Point source emissions to water (other than sewer)	Emissions to Water Reporting Form, or other form as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency	Version 1, 08/03/2021		
Process monitoring	Form process 1 or other form as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency	Version 1, 08/03/2021		
Water usage	Water Usage Reporting Form, or other form as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency	Version 1, 08/03/2021		
Energy usage	Energy Usage Reporting Form, or other form as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency	Version 1, 08/03/2021		
Other performance parameters	Other Performance Parameters Reporting Form, or other form as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency	Version 1, 08/03/2021		

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	
Name of operator	
Location of Facility	
Time and date of the detection	
	any malfunction, breakdown or failure of equipment or techniques, ince not controlled by an emission limit which has caused, is pollution
To be 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 t	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	

(b) Notification requirements for t	the breach of a li	mit	
To be notified within 24 hours of	detection unless	otherwise specified belo	ow .
Measures taken, or intended to be taken, to stop the emission			
Time periods for notification follo	wing detection o	of a breach of a limit	
Parameter			Notification period
(c) Notification requirements for t	he breach of per	mit conditions not relate	d to limits
To be notified within 24 hours of det	ection		
Condition breached			
Date, time and duration of breach			
Details of the permit breach i.e. what happened including impacts observed.			
Measures taken, or intended to be taken, to restore permit compliance.			
(d) Notification requirements for t	the detection of a	any significant adverse e	nvironmental effect
To be notified within 24 hours 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 submit		n as practicable)
Any more accurate information on the notification under Part A.	ne matters for		
Measures taken, or intended to be t a recurrence of the incident	aken, to prevent		

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	
Signature	
Date	

^{*} authorised to sign on behalf of the operator

Schedule 6 - Interpretation

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

"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.

"average over the sampling period" means the average value of three consecutive measurements of at least 30 minutes each, unless otherwise stated, as defined in the General Considerations section of the Food, Drink & Milk Industries BAT Conclusions. For batch processes, the average of a representative number of measurements taken over the total batch time or the result of a measurement carried out over the total batch time can be used. "emissions to land" includes emissions to groundwater.

"EP Regulations" means The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations SI 2016 No.1154 and words and expressions used in this permit which are also used in the Regulations have the same meanings as in those Regulations.

"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.

"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, as read in accordance with Schedule 1A to the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016.

"Leak detection and repair (LDAR) programme" means a structured approach to reduce fugitive emissions of organic compounds by detection and subsequent repair or replacement of leaking components. Currently, sniffing (described by EN 15446) and optical gas imaging methods are available for the identification of leaks as set out in BAT 14 and section 6.6.2 of the Waste Treatment BAT Conclusions.

"MCERTS" means the Environment Agency's Monitoring Certification Scheme.

"Medium Combustion Plant" or "MCP" means a combustion plant with a rated thermal input equal to or greater than 1 MW but less than 50 MW. An "existing medium combustion plant" is combustion plant operating before 20 December 2018.

"Medium Combustion Plant Directive" or "MCPD" means Directive 2015/2193/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council on the limitation of emissions of certain pollutants into the air from medium combustion plants, as read in accordance with Schedule 1A to the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016.

"Pests" means Birds, Vermin and Insects.

"recovery" means any of the operations provided for in Annex II to the Waste Framework Directive.

Where a minimum limit is set for any emission parameter, for example pH, reference to exceeding the limit shall mean that the parameter shall not be less than that limit.

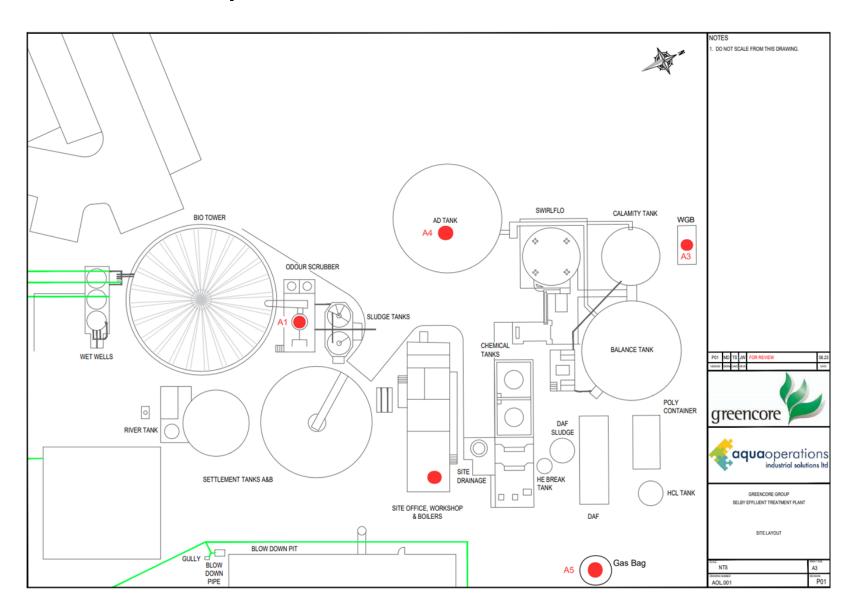
Unless otherwise stated, any references in this permit to concentrations of substances in emissions into air means:

 in relation to emissions from combustion processes, the concentration in dry air at a temperature of 273K, at a pressure of 101.3 kPa and with an oxygen content of 3% dry for liquid and gaseous fuels other than gas engines or gas turbines, 6% dry for solid fuels; and/or

- in relation to emissions from gas engines or gas turbines, the concentration in dry air at a temperature of 273K, at a pressure of 101.3 kPa and with an oxygen content of 15% dry for liquid and gaseous fuels; and/or
- in relation to emissions from non-combustion sources, the concentration at a temperature of 273K and at a pressure of 101.3 kPa, with no correction for water vapour content

"year" means calendar year ending 31 December.

Schedule 7 – Site plan





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