

## Permitting decisions- Surrender

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We have decided to accept the surrender of the permit for Apiezon Plant operated by M & I Materials Limited.

The permit number is EPR/BS4952IP.

The decision was issued on 18/11/2024.

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 summarises the decision-making process to show how the main relevant factors have been taken into account.

The permit being fully surrendered authorised an S1.2 Part A(1)(f)(iii) activity on the site – distillation of petroleum oils and jellies.

The activity permitted met the Environment Agency's criteria for a low impact installation as the potential for impact to the environment was inherently low.

M&I Materials have relocated the operations carried out at their Apiezon Plant to a newly permitted facility, EPR/QP3328SE.

Read the permitting decisions in conjunction with the environmental permit.

### Decision considerations

#### 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 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.

The surrendered permit is a low impact installation bespoke permit with an inherently low risk of causing pollution.

The Environment Agency regulatory officer has agreed the surrender can be processed as a low risk surrender and carried out a visit to the site on 08/10/2024 to satisfy himself that no pollution had occurred during the lifetime of the permit.

## **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.