



Notice of variation and consolidation with introductory note

The Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations 2016

Noble Foods Limited

Longbelt Farm Poultry Unit
Rufford Park
Newark
Nottinghamshire
NG22 9HB

Variation application number

EPR/YP3432MK/V010

Permit number

EPR/YP3432MK

Longbelt Farm Poultry Unit

Permit number EPR/YP3432MK

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.

This variation authorises the following changes:

- Reduction in the number of laying birds from 916,585 to 505,080 places.
- Refurbishment of poultry houses 2 and 3, involving a change to the housing system from a vertical tiered cage system, with manure belt and forced air drying, to a non-caged system, multi-tier with twice weekly belt removal using heat exchangers for forced air drying of manure.
- Correction to registered office address in status log, dated 11/05/2023.
- Description of housing system for poultry house 1 corrected in the introductory note to a non-caged system, multi-tier with twice weekly belt removal.
- Table S1.3 of the Permit amended to remove completed Improvement Conditions IC1 to IC4 and include new Improvement Conditions IC1 and IC2.
- Table S1.4 removed from the Permit.
- Removal of reference to the 'bio disc filtration' in Table S3.2, as this does not fall under the EPR Permit.

The rest of the installation is unchanged and continues to be operated as follows:

Longbelt Farm Poultry Unit is situated approximately 1.5 kilometres north-west of the village of Eakring, in Nottinghamshire. The installation is approximately centred on National Grid Reference SK 65610 63141.

The installation is operated by Noble Foods Limited and comprises six poultry houses, numbered 1 to 6. Houses 1 to 3 operate a non-caged system, multi-tier with twice weekly belt removal using heat exchangers for forced air drying of manure. Houses 4 to 6 operate a vertical tiered cage system, with manure belt and forced air drying.

The poultry houses provide a combined capacity for 505,080 laying bird places, with 328,000 birds placed in the three modified houses, 1 to 3. Birds are brought onto the farm at approximately 16 weeks old and are depopulated at around 80 weeks of age, after the laying cycle has finished. The houses are empty for approximately 4 to 5 weeks for clean out and turnaround.

All buildings are insulated. Houses 1 to 3 are mechanically ventilated; air is taken through vents at the southern gable end with air extracted through heat exchanger at the opposite northern gable end of the building.

Houses 4 to 6 are mechanically ventilated; air is taken through the roof vents. The pressurised air is forced down over the manure to dry it before the air leaves the building through the side fans.

Manure is removed from the poultry houses at least twice a week. All manure is exported from the installation for use in the Anaerobic Digestion plant adjacent to the farm or for spreading on land owned by third parties.

A maximum of 600 tonnes of manure is stored within the installation boundary.

At the end of the cycle the houses are depopulated, washed and disinfected ready for the next cycle. Dirty water from yard areas and water from the wash out of poultry houses 4 to 6 is channelled to underground collection tanks close to the houses to await export off site, for spreading on third party owned land. At the back of each house there is a clean and dirty drain. During the cycle, the dirty drain is covered so lightly contaminated surface water enters the clean drain which discharges to the main gully and land drain, along with uncontaminated roof water. During washdown the drain cover is placed over the clean drain to prevent any contaminated water entering the gully. The wash water instead discharges to the dirty drain which enters the holding tanks at the rear of the houses, which are emptied once washdown is complete. Houses 1- to 3 are cleaned using dry cleaning methods to negate the need for the production of wash waters, given that the poultry houses are located on three floors.

Roof water from poultry houses 1 and 2 falls to culverts running adjacent to these houses. The culverts direct water to the rear of the poultry houses through pipes under the road and into French drains, which then run down the rear of the houses and parallel to the muck store and into an on-site swale – via an interceptor (near the on-site incinerator) – which acts as a soakaway.

Roof water from poultry houses 3 to 6 is transferred via gutters and downpipes to pipes buried between the houses to a piped drain at the front of the houses, which then directs water to the same on-site swale as described above, via an interceptor.

Any mortalities are removed from the poultry houses daily and stored in a sealed container located in the manure store. Fallen stock is collected regularly in accordance with the requirements of the Animal By-Products Regulations.

There are two standby generators located on the installation, for use in the event of mains power failure, both with a net thermal rated input of 3.584MWth. The generators will not be tested for more than 52 hours per annum and will not be used for more than 500 hours per annum (emergency use and testing), averaged over a 3-year period. The generators fall within the requirements of the Medium Combustion Plant Directive.

There is one Special Areas of Conservation (SAC) within 5km of the installation. In addition, there are five Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) within 5km of the installation, and 14 other nature conservation sites within 2km comprising of 11 Local Wildlife Sites (LWSs), one Local Nature Reserve (LNRs) and two ancient woodlands (AWs). An assessment of the impact of emissions has been carried out and the installation is considered to have no adverse effect on the nature conservation sites.

The site is subject to a Climate Change Levy Agreement.

This permit implements the requirements of the European Union Directive on Industrial Emissions.

The schedules specify the changes made to the permit.

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 YP3432MK (EPR/YP3234MK/A001)	Duly made 11/01/2007	
Additional Information Request	01/05/2007	17/15/2007
Permit YP3234MK (EPR/YP3234MK) Determined	19/10/2007	
Variation EPR/YP3432MK/V002 issued	07/11/2008	
Application to vary EPR/YP3432MK/V003	Duly Made 23/04/2009	
Additional Information Request	05/08/2009	20/08/2009

Status log of the permit		
Description	Date	Comments
Variation EPR/YP3432MK/V003 issued	16/04/2010	
Application to vary EPR/YP3432MK/V004	Duly Made 01/02/2010	
Variation EPR/YP3432MK/V004 issued	05/03/2010	
Application to vary EPR/YP3432MK/V005	Duly Made 07/10/2010	
Variation EPR/YP3432MK/V005 issued	26/11/2010	
Received notification of change of company name	18/01/2011	
Issue of updated permit pages to show change of company name	26/01/2011	
Notified of change of company registered office address	Duly made 23/11/2015	Address changed to Cotswold Farm, Standlake, Witney, Oxfordshire, OX29 7RB.
Variation issued EPR/YP3432MK/V006	15/01/2016	Varied permit issued to Noble Foods Limited.
Application EPR/YP3432MK/V007 (variation and consolidation)	Duly made 21/07/2020	Application to reduce bird numbers to accommodate a change in building design of poultry house 1.
Additional information received	25/09/2020	Request from operator to further reduce bird numbers on site.
Additional information received	14/10/2020	Revised site plan provided.
Additional information received	23/10/2020	Clarification on drainage key provided.
Additional information received	29/10/2020	Clarification on roof water drainage provided.
Additional information received	29/10/2020	Clarification on manure handling from house 1.
Additional information received	05/11/2020	Confirmation of compliance with BAT-AELs.
Variation determined EPR/YP3432MK	18/11/2020	Varied and consolidated permit issued in modern condition format.
Notified of change of registered office address	Duly Made 25/10/2022	Registered office address changed to Waterfront, Kingsbury Crescent, Staines-Upon- Thames, TW18 3BA.
Variation issued EPR/YP3432MK/V008	09/11/2022	Varied permit issued to Noble Foods Limited.
Notified of change of registered office address	11/05/2023	Registered office address changed to Waterfront Building, 5 Lotus Park, The Causeway, Staines-Upon-Thames TW18 3AG
Variation issued EPR/YP3432MK/V009	06/07/2023	Varied permit issued to Noble Foods Limited.
Application EPR/YP3432MK/V010 (variation and consolidation)	Duly made 28/11/2024	Application to reduce bird numbers to accommodate a change in building design of poultry houses 2 and 3.
Additional information received	29/11/2024	Confirmation regarding revision to proposed bird numbers.

Status log of the permit		
Description	Date	Comments
	05/12/2024	Confirmation regarding frequency of manure removal and disposal of dirty water.
	06/12/2024 and 09/12/2024	Response to request for information dated 29/11/2024.
	19/12/2024	Confirmation regarding heat exchanger condensate disposal.
Variation determined EPR/YP3432MK	07/01/2025	Varied and consolidated permit issued in modern condition format.

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 and consolidates

Permit number

EPR/YP3432MK

Issued to

Noble Foods Limited (“the operator”)

whose registered office is

**Waterfront Building
5 Lotus Park
The Causeway
Staines-Upon-Thames
TW18 3AG**

company registration number **03636168**

to operate an installation at

**Longbelt Farm Poultry Unit
Rufford Park
Newark
Nottinghamshire
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to the extent set out in the schedules.

The notice shall take effect from 07/01/2025

Name	Date
Stacey Tapsell	07/01/2025

Authorised on behalf of the Environment Agency

Schedule 1

All conditions have been varied by the consolidated permit EPR/YP3432MK as a result of the application made by the operator.

Schedule 2 – consolidated permit

Consolidated permit issued as a separate document.

Permit

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Permit number

EPR/YP3432MK

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Conditions

1 Management

1.1 General management

- 1.1.1 The operator shall manage and operate the activities:
- (a) in accordance with a written management system that identifies and minimises risks of pollution, so far as is reasonably practicable, including those risks 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 the permit.

1.2 Energy efficiency

- 1.2.1 The operator shall:
- (a) take appropriate measures to ensure that energy is used efficiently in the activities; and
 - (b) maintain records of fuel and energy consumption used in the activities.

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; and
 - (b) maintain records of raw materials and water used in the activities.

1.4 Avoidance, recovery and disposal of wastes produced by the activities

- 1.4.1 The operator shall take appropriate measures to ensure that the waste hierarchy referred to in Article 4 of the Waste Framework Directive is applied to the generation of waste by the activities and that;
- (a) 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
 - (b) where disposal is necessary, this is undertaken in a manner which minimises its impact on the environment.

2 Operations

2.1 Permitted activities

- 2.1.1 The only activity authorised by the permit is the activity specified in schedule 1 table S1.1 (the “activities”).

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.

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 The operator shall maintain and implement a system to record the number of animal places and animal movements.
- 2.3.4 The operator shall ensure that a diet formulation and nutritional strategy is used to reduce the total nitrogen and total phosphorus excreted.
- 2.3.5 The operator shall take appropriate measures in disposal or recovery of solid manure or slurry to prevent, or where this is not practicable, to minimise pollution.
- 2.3.6 Any raw materials or fuels listed in schedule 2 table S2.1 shall conform to the specifications set out in that table.
- 2.3.7 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.

2.4 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 specified in 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 (AR3) the first monitoring measurements shall be carried out within four months of the issue date of the permit or the date when the MCP is first put into operation, whichever is later. For existing MCPs the first monitoring measurement shall be carried out at any time, but no later than the relevant compliance date.

3.2 Emissions of substances not controlled by emission limits

- 3.2.1 Emissions of substances not controlled by emission limits 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; and
 - (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.

3.3 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.

3.4 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.

3.5 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; and
 - (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.

3.6 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, hazard or annoyance from pests; and
 - (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 schedules 3, 4 and 5 to 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 maintain convenient access, in either electronic or hard copy, to the records, plans and management system required to be maintained by this permit.

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 For the following activities referenced in schedule 1, table S1.1 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.
- 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 S4.2; 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; and
- (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 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.

4.3.4 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:

- (c) any change in the operator's name or address; and
- (d) any steps taken with a view to the dissolution of the operator.

In any other case:

- (e) the death of any of the named operators (where the operator consists of more than one named individual);
- (f) any change in the operator's name(s) or address(es); and
- (g) 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.

- 4.3.5 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.
- 4.3.6 The Environment Agency shall be given at least 14 days' notice before implementation of any part of the site closure plan.
- 4.3.7 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 "immediately", 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 6.9 A(1)(a)(i) Rearing of poultry intensively in an installation with more than 40,000 places	The rearing of poultry in a facility with a capacity for 505,080 ^[1] layer places	From receipt of birds, raw materials and fuels onto the site to removal of birds and associated wastes from site.
	Directly Associated Activity	Description of specified activity	Limits of specified activity
AR2	Carcass incineration	Operation of an Incinerator for carcass disposal Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA) approved < 50 kg/hr.	From receipt of raw materials, fuels and input of carcasses to release of combustion products to air and associated wastes removed from site.
AR3	Medium Combustion Plant	Operation of two standby generators with an aggregated thermal rated input not exceeding 7.168 megawatts for use only as emergency power.[2]	Tested for no more than 52 hours per annum and used as an emergency power supply for no more than 500 hours per annum, averaged over a 3 year period.

[1] Bird numbers with associated stocking timescales agreed, in accordance with the revised 'Bird forecast' document, submitted 26/11/2024, referenced in Table S1.2

[2] The individual thermal rated input of each of the generators is less than 5MW.

Table S1.2 Operating techniques		
Description	Parts	Date Received
Application YP3432MK	The responses to sections B2.3.1, B2.3.2, B2.3.3, B2.6.1, B2.6.2, B2.7.1 and B2.7.2 in the application	08/12/2006
Request for information dated 01/05/2007	Response to request for further information with regards to the climate change levy, bunding of oil tanks, incinerator, site layout and installation boundary, drainage from the apron, disposal of disinfectants from washout and the spreading of litter / manure and slurry.	17/05/2007
IC1 Submission	Drainage Review – Longbelt Farm	February 2008
IC2 Submission	Housing Review – Longbelt Farm	April 2008
Application to vary permit EPR/YP3432MK/V003	Variation application document – Longbelt Farm	23/04/2009
IC3 Submission	Modelling Ammonia Emissions at Longbelt Poultry Farm submitted 23/04/2009	Approved 03/2010
Response to additional information request	Response to request for further information with regards to justification of use of NH ₃ emission factor within the supplied modelling.	20/08/2009

Table S1.2 Operating techniques		
Description	Parts	Date Received
Application to vary permit EPR/YP3432MK/V004	Application documentation	01/02/2010
Application to vary permit EPR/YP3432MK/V005	Application documentation	16/08/2010
Application EPR/YP3432MK/V007	Responses to Parts C3.5 of the application form and referenced supporting documentation.	21/07/2020
Additional information requested 29/10/2020	Response to request for information confirming frequency of manure removal from poultry houses.	29/10/2020
Additional information requested 02/11/2020	Response to request for information confirming compliance of BAT-AELs.	05/11/2020
Application EPR/YP3432MK/V010	Responses to Parts C3.5 of the application form and referenced supporting documentation, and additional information received in response to not duly made request for information, including receipt of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revised BAT document. • Revised technical standards document. • Revised bird forecast document. • Standby generator details. • Ventilation details for poultry houses 1 to 3. 	28/11/2024
Additional information requested 29/11/2024	Response to Requests for Information confirming revision to proposed bird numbers.	29/11/2024
	Response to Requests for Information clarifying ventilation details, confirming purpose of the bio disc filtration system, number of days the poultry houses are empty between cycles for clean out, plus submission of a revised site layout plan and technical standards document.	06/12/2024 and 09/12/2024
Additional information requested 05/12/2024	Response to Request for Information confirming frequency of manure removal from poultry houses and disposal route for dirty water.	05/12/2024
Additional information requested 10/12/2024	Response to Request for Information confirming disposal route for condensate from the heat exchangers.	19/12/2024

Table S1.3 Improvement programme requirements		
Reference	Requirement	Date
IC1	A written report shall be submitted to the Environment Agency for approval. The report shall contain evidence that the work to convert poultry houses 2 and 3, as shown on the revised layout plan, received on 09/12/2024, to a non-caged system, multi-tier with twice weekly belt removal has been completed as detailed in application EPR/YP3432MK/V010, in accordance with the requirements of 'How to comply with your environmental permit for intensive farming' (Version 2, 2010).	03/03/2025, or other date as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency
IC2	a) A written report shall be submitted to the Environment Agency for written approval. The report shall contain evidence that the measures to capture, and dispose of, condensate from the heat exchangers serving poultry house 2, as shown on the revised layout plan, received on 09/12/2024, has been completed as detailed in the proposals submitted on 19/12/2024, in accordance with EPR 6.09 Sector Guidance Note .	28/03/2025, or other date as agreed in writing by the

Table S1.3 Improvement programme requirements

Reference	Requirement	Date
		Environment Agency
	b) A written report shall be submitted to the Environment Agency for written approval. The report shall contain evidence that the measures to capture, and dispose of, condensate from the heat exchangers serving poultry houses 1 and 3, as shown on the revised layout plan, received on 09/12/2024, have been completed as detailed in the proposals submitted on 19/12/24, in accordance with EPR 6.09 Sector Guidance Note .	28/04/2025, or other date as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency

Schedule 2 – Waste types, raw materials and fuels

Table S2.1 Raw materials and fuels	
Raw materials and fuel description	Specification
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Schedule 3 – Emissions and monitoring

Table S3.1 Point source emissions to air – emission limits and monitoring requirements						
Emission point ref. & location	Source	Parameter	Limit (including unit)	Reference period	Monitoring frequency	Monitoring standard or method
Gable end fan outlets on poultry houses 1 to 3, as shown on the revised layout plan, received on 09/12/2024	Poultry houses 1 to 3	---	---	---	---	---
Side fan outlets on poultry houses 4 to 6, as shown on the revised layout plan, received on 09/12/2024	Poultry houses 4 to 6	---	---	---	---	---
Chimney from carcass incinerator, as shown on the revised layout plan, received on 09/12/2024	Carcass incinerator	---	---	---	---	---
Exhaust from two standby generators as shown on the revised layout plan, received on 09/12/2024	Standby Generators 7.168MWth aggregated (fuelled on gas oil)	Oxides of Nitrogen (NO and NO ₂ expressed as NO ₂)	No Limit	Periodic	After 1500 operating hours have elapsed and no less frequent than every 5 years from date of acceptance of first monitoring measurements under condition 3.1.4 or as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency	MCERTS BS EN 14792 [1]
		Carbon monoxide	No Limit	Periodic		MCERTS BS EN 15058 [1]
Vent from oil tanks as shown on the revised layout plan,	Diesel tanks	---	---	---	---	---

Table S3.1 Point source emissions to air – emission limits and monitoring requirements

Emission point ref. & location	Source	Parameter	Limit (including unit)	Reference period	Monitoring frequency	Monitoring standard or method
received on 09/12/2024						
Outlet from heat exchangers on poultry houses 1 to 3, as shown on the revised layout plan, received on 09/12/2024	Heat exchangers	---	---	---	---	---

Note (1) Monitoring can be provided with alternative methods if compliant with relevant low risk MCP Environment Agency monitoring guidance.

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
Outlet to swale acting as a soakaway to the east of poultry house 6, as indicated on the revised layout plan, received on 09/12/2024	Roof water from poultry houses 3 to 6, via interceptor prior to discharge	---	---	---	---	---
Outlet to swale acting as a soakaway east of poultry house 6, as indicated on the revised layout plan, received on 09/12/2024	Roof water from poultry houses 1 and 2, intercepted by French drains and an interceptor prior to discharge	---	---	---	---	---
Outlet to swale acting as a soakaway to the east of poultry house 6, as indicated on the revised layout plan, received on 09/12/2024	Water draining from yards (excluding poultry house wash out periods) and roads	---	---	---	---	---

Table S3.3 Process monitoring requirements

Emission point reference or source or description of point of measurement	Parameter	Limit (incl. Unit)	Monitoring frequency (1)	Monitoring standard or method
Laying hens in houses 1 to 6	kg N excreted/animal place/year	0.8 kg N/animal place/year	Annually	Estimation by using manure analysis for total nitrogen content
	kg P ₂ O ₅ excreted/animal place/year	0.45 kg P ₂ O ₅ /animal place/year	Annually	Estimation by using manure analysis for total phosphorus content
Laying hens cage housing system in houses 4 to 6	kg NH ₃ /animal place/year	0.08 kg NH ₃ /animal place/year	Annually	Estimation using emission factors
Laying hens non-cage housing system in houses 1 to 3	kg NH ₃ /animal place/year	0.13 kg NH ₃ /animal place/year	Annually	Estimation using emission factors
Laying Hens in houses 1 - 6	Dust	n/a	Annually	Estimation using emission factors

Schedule 4 – Reporting

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

Table S4.1 Reporting of monitoring data			
Parameter	Emission or monitoring point/reference	Reporting period	Period begins
Process monitoring Parameters as required by condition 3.5.1	-	Every 12 months	1 January
Point source emissions to air Parameters as required by condition 3.5.1	AR3 (fuelled on gas oil)	After the maximum average annual operating hours have elapsed and no less frequent than every 5 years from date of acceptance of first monitoring measurements under condition 3.1.4	From first monitoring requirements in accordance with Condition 3.1.4

Table S4.2 Reporting forms		
Media/parameter	Reporting format	Date of form
kg NH ₃ /animal place/year	Form Process Monitoring 1 or other form as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency	07/01/25
kg N excreted/animal place/year	Form Process Monitoring 1 or other form as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency	07/01/25
kg P ₂ O ₅ excreted/animal place/year	Form Process Monitoring 1 or other form as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency	07/01/25
Dust atmospheric mass emission	Form Process Monitoring 1 or other form as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency	07/01/25
Point source emissions to air	Emissions to Air Reporting Form, or other form as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency	07/01/25

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	

(a) Notification requirements for any malfunction, breakdown or failure of equipment or techniques, accident, or emission of a substance not controlled by an emission limit which has caused, is causing or may cause significant 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 the breach of a limit	
To be notified within 24 hours of detection	
Emission point reference/ source	
Parameter(s)	
Limit	
Measured value and uncertainty	
Date and time of monitoring	
Measures taken, or intended to be taken, to stop the emission	

Time periods for notification following detection of a breach of a limit	
Parameter	Notification period

(c) Notification requirements for the breach of permit conditions not related to limits	
To be notified within 24 hours of detection	
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 the detection of any significant adverse environmental 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 submitted as soon as practicable

Any more accurate information on the matters for notification under Part A.	
Measures taken, or intended to be taken, to prevent a recurrence of the incident	
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.

“Animal and Plant Health Agency (APHA)” is the government agency that licences small on farm incinerators; formerly known as the Animal Health and Veterinary Laboratories Agency.

“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.

“building” means a construction that has the objective of providing sheltering cover and minimising emissions of noise, particulate matter, odour and litter.

“emissions to land” includes emissions to groundwater.

“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.

“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.

“Existing housing” means housing that is not defined as new housing.

“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.

“Hazardous property” has the meaning in Annex III of the Waste Framework Directive.

“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.

“List of Wastes” means the list of wastes established by Commission Decision 2000/532/EC replacing Decision 94/3/EC establishing a list of wastes pursuant to Article 1(a) of Council Directive 75/442/EEC on waste and Council Decision 94/904/EC establishing a list of hazardous waste pursuant to Article 1(4) of Council Directive 91/689/EEC on hazardous waste, as amended from time to time.

“Manure and slurry” have the following meaning:

- Manures may be either slurries or solid manures.
- Slurries consist of excreta produced by livestock whilst in a yard or building mixed with rainwater and wash water and, in some cases, waste bedding and feed. Slurries can be pumped or discharged by gravity.
- Slurry includes duck effluent, seepage from manure and wash water.
- Solid manures include farmyard manure (FYM) and comprise material from straw-based housing systems, excreta with lots of straw/sawdust/woodchips in it, or solids from mechanical separators.
- Most poultry systems produce solid manure (litter).
- Solid manure can generally be stacked.

“Medium Combustion Plant” or “MCP” means a combustion plant with a rated thermal input equal or greater than 1 megawatt (MW) but less than 50 megawatts (MW). An “existing medium combustion plant” is combustion plant operating before 20 December 2018.

“Medium Combustion Plant Directive” or “MCPD” means medium combustion plant 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.

“MCERTS” means the Environment Agency’s Monitoring Certification Scheme.

"pests" means Birds, Vermin and Insects.

“Waste code” means the six digit code referable to a type of waste in accordance with the List of Wastes and in relation to hazardous waste, includes the asterisk

“Waste Framework Directive” or “WFD” means Waste Framework Directive 2008/98/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on waste.

“year” means calendar year ending 31 December.

Schedule 7 – Site plan

Site plan - showing installation boundary as referred to in condition 2.2.1.



Site location plan



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