

Notice of variation and consolidation with introductory note

The Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations 2016

United Petfood UK Limited

Skretting
Unit 3, Shay Lane Industrial Estate
Longridge
Preston
PR3 3BT

Variation application number

EPR/RP3106PL/V005

Permit number

EPR/RP3106PL

Skretting

Permit number EPR/RP3106PL

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 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.

The main features of the permit are as follows:

Skretting (NGR 359770 436534) is situated on the edge of New Town, with Longridge immediately to the north and Preston approximately 8km to the SW. The site is bordered by a mixture of industrial units, housing and open fields. The housing is situated to the east (separated from the installation by a road) and the fields are to the west, with a small area of woods and an unnamed tributary between the fields and the installation.

The installation is used for the manufacture of dried extruded petfood using ingredients such as grains, animal derivatives and feed supplements, utilising approximately 28% animal derivatives in the recipes and is permitted for this activity under S6.8(1)(d)(iii)(aa). The installation with a maximum capacity of 100 tonnes per day, operates 5 days a week, 24 hours/day.

Raw materials are stored in supplier's packaging or in bulk in silos onsite. Key stages in the manufacturing process involve weighing raw materials that are then ground, mixed, extruded, dried, cooled and packed. Final dried petfood product packaging consists of small bags (10-20kg) or in tote bags (1000kg).

The site generates air emissions associated with production processes and steam generation. The installation uses steam that is generated by the gas fired on-site boilers of 1.4MWth and 1.6 MWth capacity, considered to be medium combustion plant (MCP). Flue gases are emitted by these MCP through two stacks at emission point A4. Particulate matter from extruding activities passes through emission point A3. Fabric filters are part of the air handling and dust extraction system form part of the air emissions abatement techniques for the process, used to reduce the atmospheric release of particulates. Further treatment, in the form of the biofilter, reduces odorous compounds and further reduces dust particulate emissions.

Electricity is taken from the national grid, as is natural gas.

Within screening distance is a Special Protection Area (Bowland Fells) within 8km to the north. There are two Local Nature Reserves (Fishwick Bottoms) one local nature reserve and six local wildlife sites: Alston Reservoirs, College Wood, Whittingham Mires, Grimsargh Reservoirs, Spade Mill Reservoirs and Norcross Grassland. There are two ancient woodlands also within 2km of the site (College Wood and King Wood).

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/BX5174IB/A001	28/08/04	Application received for the production of animal food
Additional information received	29/09/04	
Schedule 4 Notification received	19/11/04	Notification issued 29/04/04
Permit determined EPR/BX5174IB	15/12/04	Permit issued to Trouw (UK) Limited.
Application EPR/RP3106PL/T001 (full permit EPR/BX5174IB)	Duly made 06/08/19	Application to transfer the permit in full to Cambrian Pet Foods Limited.
Transfer determined EPR/RP3106PL	19/08/19	Full transfer of permit complete.
Notified of change of Company Name and Registered Office	25/03/22	Name and Registered office changed to United Petfood UK Limited, Unit 1, Tywi Valley Food Park, Station Road, Llangadog, Carmarthenshire, SA19 9LY.
Variation issued	06/10/22	Varied permit issued to United Petfood UK
Application EPR/RP3106PL/V005 (variation and consolidation)	Regulation 61 Notice response received 31/05/22	Environment Agency initiated variation and consolidation following the Food, Drink & Milk Industries sector permit review.
Variation determined and consolidation issued EPR/RP3106PL/V005	05/02/2025	Varied and consolidated permit issued in modern 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

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Issued to

United Petfood UK Limited ("the Operator")

of/ whose registered office is

Unit 1

Tywi Valley Food Park

Station Road

Llangadog

Camarthenshire

SA19 9LY

company registration number 01624292

to operate a regulated facility/ regulated facilities at

Skretting

Unit 3, Shay Lane Industrial Estate

Longridge

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to the extent set out in the schedules.

The notice shall take effect from 05/02//2025

Name	Date
Denise Horton	05/02/2025

Authorised on behalf of the Environment Agency

Schedule 1

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

Schedule 2 – consolidated permit

Consolidated permit issued as a separate document.

Permit

The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016

Permit number

EPR/RP3106PL

This is the consolidated permit referred to in the variation and consolidation notice for application EPR/RP3106PL/V003 authorising,

United Petfood UK Limited (“the Operator”),

whose registered office is

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Camarthenshire
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Unit 3, Shay Lane Industrial Estate
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to the extent authorised by and subject to the conditions of this permit.

Name	Date
Denise Horton	02/05/2025

Authorised on behalf of the Environment Agency

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, 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.

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”).

2.2 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 For the following activities referenced in schedule 1, table S1.1 (AR1 to AR8) 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, S3.2 and S3.3.
- 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) 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) 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.

3.3 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, S3.2 and 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, S3.2, S3.3 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 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;
- (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 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:

- (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.

4.3.5 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 6.8 Part A d (iii) (aa)	<p>Treatment and processing, other than exclusively packaging, of the following raw materials, whether previously processed or unprocessed, intended for the production of food or feed</p> <p>Animal and vegetable raw materials (other than milk only), both in combined and separate products, with a finished product production capacity in tonnes per day greater than—</p> <p>(aa)75 if A is equal to 10 or more,</p> <p>where 'A' is the portion of animal material in percent of weight of the finished product production capacity.</p>	<p>From receipt of raw materials through to dispatch of final product.</p> <p>Production capacity is limited to 100 tonnes per day.</p> <p>The site operates 5 days per week, 24 hours a day.</p>
Directly Associated Activity			
AR2	Steam supply. Heating of water for the purpose of steam production and supply to be used within the site boundary.	Medium Combustion plant, to produce a total of 3 MWth, 1 boiler 1.4 MWth and 1.6 MWth, gas-fired steam raising boilers	From receipt of fuel to release of products of combustion to air.
AR3	Raw material storage and handling	Storage and handling of raw materials at the installation	From receipt of raw materials to dispatch of final product.
AR4	Storage and use of chemicals and oils	Storage and use of chemicals and oils at the installation.	From receipt of chemicals and oils to disposal of wastes arising.
AR5	Waste storage and handling	Storage and handling of waste materials	From generation of waste to storage pending removal for disposal or recovery.
AR6	Process cooling waters	Operation of two cooling towers	From operation of cooling towers, including chemical dosing.
AR7	Surface water drainage	Collection of uncontaminated site surface waters	Handling and storage of site drainage until discharge to the site surface water system to foul sewer for treatment.

Table S1.1 activities			
Activity reference	Activity listed in Schedule 1 of the EP Regulations	Description of specified activity	Limits of specified activity
AR8	Biofilter	Abatement of odour	Emissions from plant and process building.

Table S1.2 Operating techniques		
Description	Parts	Date Received
Regulation 61 (1) Notice – Responses to questions dated 04/05/2021	All parts	Received 31/05/2022
Request for further information dated 27/11/2024	Information received regarding: BATcs 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, 17, EPL Specific energy consumption, capacity threshold, Site Condition Plan, hazardous substances risk assessment, Containment, underground structures. Also, production capacity, site plan & updated status of Minor Operational Change.	19/12/24
Clarification request dated 06/01/2025	Further information received: Operating times, updated site plan, confirmation of % animal raw material used	08/01/25

Table S1.3 Improvement programme requirements		
Reference	Requirement	Date
IP7	The Operator shall confirm, achievement of the 'Narrative' BAT conclusions as identified in the Food, Drink and Milk Bref published on 4 December 2019 where BAT is currently not demonstrated or achieved with respect to BATc 1 and 15. Refer to BAT Conclusions for a full description of the BAT requirement.	3 months from date of permit issue or as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency
IP8	The Operator shall submit the updated sections of the Environment Management System (EMS), for approval in writing by the Environment Agency, demonstrating the ability to comply with BATc 2 for EMS inventory of inputs and outputs.	3 months from date of permit issue or as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency
IP9	The Operator shall submit, for approval by the Environment Agency, a report demonstrating achievement of the 'Narrative' BAT conclusions as identified in the Food, Drink and Milk Bref published on 4 December 2019 where BAT is currently not demonstrated or achieved. The report shall include, but not be limited to, the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Methodology applied for achieving BAT • Demonstrating that BAT has been achieved. 	3 months from date of permit issue or as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency

	<p>The report shall address the BAT Conclusions for Food, Drink and Milk Industries with respect to BATc 5 and 6.</p> <p>Refer to BAT Conclusions for a full description of the BAT requirement</p>	
IP10	<p>The Operator shall submit a written report to the Environment Agency of monitoring carried out to determine the size distribution of particulate matter in the exhaust gas emissions to air from emission point [A1], identifying the fractions within the PM10 and PM2.5 ranges. The monitoring shall be carried out under representative operating conditions and shall be in accordance with EN ISO 23210 unless otherwise agreed with the Environment Agency.</p>	<p>12 months from permit issue or as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency</p>
IP11	<p>The Operator shall confirm in writing to the Environment Agency that they have achieved the specific Environmental Performance Levels (EPLs) for specific energy consumption, where compliance with the EPL was not demonstrated at the time of R61 submission.</p> <p>Where an Operator cannot achieve the EPL, they should provide a justification and derive a site specific benchmark.</p> <p>Refer to BAT Conclusions for a full description of the requirements.</p>	<p>3 months from date of issue or as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency</p>
IP12	<p>The Operator shall review and update the H1 risk assessment for particulate emissions to air at the capacity levels stated within table S1.1 of this permit. The H1 shall be submitted to the Environment Agency for review.</p>	<p>6 months from date of issue or as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency</p>
IP13	<p>The Operator shall review the disposal of boiler blowdown, biofilter condensate from the installation. Following the assessment the operator shall submit the report to the Environment Agency for approval.</p> <p>The report shall include (but not be limited to) the following;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • An assessment of the impact for the proposed route using the Environment Agency's H1 methodology or similar, taking into consideration the characteristics of the boiler blowdown, biofilter condensate (temperature, pH, suspended solids, metals and any other potentially polluting substances). • Detail the specific arrangements for disposal of the blowdown associated with annual inspection and servicing. • List the options for disposal, justifying the proposed route (disposals not being treated in an onsite or offsite waste water treatment plant should be fully justified). • A proposed timetable for completion of any improvement works required. <p>The Operator shall implement any necessary improvements to a timetable agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.</p>	<p>12 months from date of issue or as agreed in writing by the Environment Agency</p>
IP14	<p>The Operator shall produce a Site Condition Report (SCR) in line with our H5 Guidance. The report shall contain the information necessary to determine the state of soil and groundwater, and ensure this is maintained throughout the life of the permit by using the results to better inform the SPMP. The report shall be submitted to the Environment Agency for review.</p>	<p>12 months from permit issue</p>

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
A1 [Point A1 on site plan in Schedule 7]	Primary Stack for biofilter Process and building (including grinder and cooling via wet scrubber)	Particulate Matter	10mg/m ³	Every 6 months	Average over sampling period [Note 4]	BS EN 13284-1
A2 [Point A2 on site plan in Schedule 7]	Redundant stack for biofilter Process and building (including grinder and cooling via wet scrubber) [Note 3]	Particulate Matter	10mg/m ³	--	--	BS EN 13284-1
A3 [Point A3 on site plan in Schedule 7]	Extruder system for dry pet food Vent	Particulate Matter	10mg/m ³	Once yearly	Average over sampling period	BS EN 13284-1
A4 [Point A4 on site plan in Schedule 7]	Boiler Plant 1.4MWth Natural Gas	Oxides of Nitrogen (NO and NO ₂ expressed as NO ₂)	250 mg/m ³ [Note 2]	Periodic	Every three years	BS EN 15267-3 [Note 1]
		Carbon monoxide	No Limit	Periodic	Every three years	MCERTS BS EN15058
A5 [Point A4 on site plan in Schedule 7]	Boiler Plant 1.6MWth Natural Gas	Oxides of Nitrogen (NO and NO ₂ expressed as NO ₂)	250 mg/m ³ [Note 2]	Periodic	Every three years	BS EN 15267-3 [Note 1]
		Carbon monoxide	No Limit	Periodic	Every three years	MCERTS BS EN15058
Emergency Pressure relief valve Through wall from main warehouse	Dust extraction system [Note 5]	No parameters set	No limit set	--	--	--
Vents from tanks	Storage tank - Poultry oil	No parameters set	No limit set	--	--	--
	Storage tank					

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
<p>Note 1: certification to the MCERTS performance standards indicates compliance with BS EN 15267-3</p> <p>Note 2: Emission limit and/or monitoring requirements apply from 1 January 2030, unless otherwise advised by the Environment Agency.</p> <p>Note 3: Emission point A2 shall only be used in exceptional circumstances with prior written agreement from the Environment Agency</p> <p>Note 4: Minimum of 30 minute measurements taken continually.</p> <p>Note 5: Emission point shall only be used in emergency circumstances.</p>						

Table S3.2 Point source emissions to sewer, effluent treatment plant or other transfers off-site– emission limits and monitoring requirements						
Emission point ref. & location	Source	Parameter	Limit (incl. Unit)	Reference period	Monitoring frequency	Monitoring standard or method
S1 [Point S1 on site plan in schedule 7] emission to Shay Lane, United Utilities Sewage Treatment Works	Surface water run-off	Clean and Uncontaminated rainwater from roofs and surface water drains	No limit set	--	--	--
	Biofilter percolate	--	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
Biofilter - to maintain optimum operating conditions to ensure odour abatement	pH measurement of percolate in outlet to sump	Continuous: Results recorded every 30 minutes during production	Not applicable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Results logged as daily average Target daily average pH to be in the range 6-8
	Relative humidity measurement of the biofilter air inlet	Continuous: Results recorded every 30 minutes during production	Not applicable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Results logged as daily average Target daily average relative humidity to be >70% relative humidity
	Temperature measurement of the biofilter air inlet	Continuous: Results recorded every 30 minutes	Not applicable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Results logged as daily average Target daily average air inlet temperature

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
		during production		to be <40 degrees Celsius
Water supply to biomass sprinkler system	Water volume in m ³ /day	Daily	Flowmeter	Process variable

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
Point source emissions to air Parameters as required by condition 3.5.1	A1, A2	Every 12 months	1 January
	A4, A5 (MCPD Boiler emission points)	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 sewer Parameters as required by condition 3.5.1	S1	Every 12 months	1 January
Process Monitoring requirements	Biofilter sprinkler system	Every 12 months	1 January

Table S4.2: Annual production/treatment	
Parameter	Units
Pet food	tonnes

Table S4.3 Performance parameters		
Parameter	Frequency of assessment	Units
Water usage	Annually	m ³
Energy usage	Annually	MWh
Waste	Annually	tonnes

Table S4.4 Reporting forms		
Parameter	Reporting form	Form version number and date
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
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	

(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 unless otherwise specified below	
Emission point reference/ source	
Parameter(s)	
Limit	
Measured value and uncertainty	
Date and time of monitoring	

(b) Notification requirements for the breach of a limit	
To be notified within 24 hours of detection unless otherwise specified below	
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.

“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.

“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.

“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.

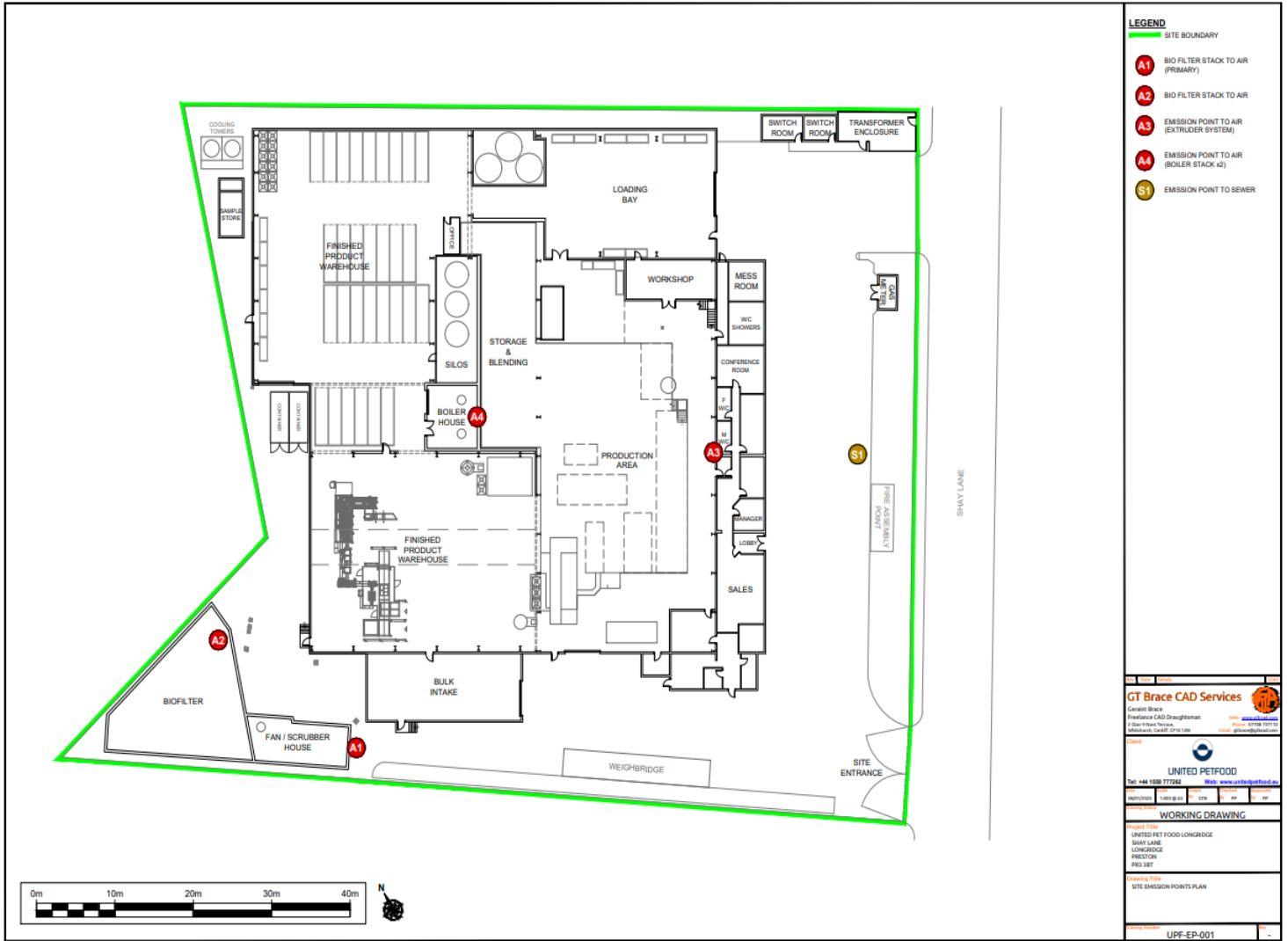
Where a minimum limit is set for any emission parameter, for example pH, reference to exceeding the limit shall mean that the parameter shall not be less than that limit.

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 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

“year” means calendar year ending 31 December.

Schedule 7 – Site plan



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