Date:

03.04.2024

Company Director and/or Secretary Clearwater Court Vastern Road Reading Berkshire RG1 8DB

Dear Company Director and/or Secretary,

Your permit variation is complete

Permit reference: EPR/FP3435LA Waste returns reference: EAWML 400017 Operator: Thames Water Utilities Limited Facility: Maple Lodge Sludge Treatment Centre, Denham Way, Maple Cross, Rickmansworth, Hertfordshire, WD3 9SQ

Our determination of your application to vary your permit is complete. We're satisfied that you can continue to carry out your activities in accordance with the variation, without harm to the environment or human health. I enclose a notice showing the changes to your permit. Please keep this in a safe place with your other permit records.

This letter contains web links to other documents. If you aren't able to access these phone our Customer Contact Centre for help on 03708 506 506.

If you're not familiar with our guidance on how to comply with your permit please look at the following guides:

www.gov.uk/guidance/develop-a-management-system-environmental-permits

www.gov.uk/guidance/control-and-monitor-emissions-for-your-environmental-permit

www.gov.uk/guidance/legal-operator-and-competence-requirements-environmental-permits

Please look at the table below and note any of the information or actions that apply to your permit.

If	then
 the variation means you're now carrying out a waste operation or activity and need to submit quarterly waste returns on waste movements Note: This does not apply to permits that only have stand alone water discharge or groundwater activities. 	you can get the forms you need from our website https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/nation al-operator-waste-returns When you complete your return use the waste returns reference above.
you need to submit other returns	send these to your area office. Speak to your area officer to check local arrangements.
your variation has added an installation to your permit for the first time	we've enclosed the pollution inventory letter, notice and fact sheet.

Regulated Industry Team, Permitting Support NPS Sheffield, Quadrant 2, 99 Parkway Avenue, Sheffield, S9 4WF Customer services line: 03708 506 506 Email: <u>enquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk</u> www.gov.uk/environment-agency

Rights of appeal

If you're not happy with any permit condition that has been imposed by the variation you may appeal to the Secretary of State. If you want to appeal any condition imposed as a result of your application you must make your appeal no later than six months from the date of the variation notice. If you want to appeal any condition we've added as an Environment Agency initiated variation you must make your appeal no later than two months from the date of the notice.

Further information on making an appeal and the forms you will need are available from the <u>Planning Inspectorate website</u>.

You will need to provide the documents listed below to the Secretary of State at the Planning Inspectorate.

The documents are:

- a statement of the grounds of appeal
- a copy of any relevant application
- a copy of any relevant environmental permit
- a copy of any relevant correspondence between the appellant and the regulator
- a copy of any decision or notice which is the subject matter of the appeal and
- a statement indicating whether you wish the appeal to be in the form of a hearing or dealt with by way of written representations.

At the same time you must send us a copy of the notice and documents to;

Appeals Co-ordinator – Appeals, Environment Agency, National Permitting Service, Knutsford Road, Latchford, Warrington, WA4 1HT.

Telephone: 02 03 02 50662

Email: NPSCentralisedServicesTeam@environment-agency.gov.uk

You may withdraw an appeal by writing to the Secretary of State and sending a copy of that notification to us.

Please phone our Customer Contact Centre on 03708 506 506 if you have any questions about the enclosed permit, the information in this letter or have trouble following any of the web links to supporting documents.

To report a suspected waste crime, please call CrimeStoppers on 0800 555 111, or visit: <u>https://www.gov.uk/report-an-environmental-incident</u>

The National Permitting Service is committed to improving its customer service. By completing our customer satisfaction survey you can tell us what we are doing right and what we could do better. The survey should take no more than 10 minutes to complete and you can do so by clicking <u>NPS Survey</u>.

Yours sincerely

India Lewin Permitting Support Advisor