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Our ref: 2136-202-003-JE

Your ref:

FAO Hanah Jones Permitting Officer

Dear Hannah

ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITTING (ENGLAND & WALES) REGULATIONS 2010
APPLICATION TO VARY PERMIT EAWML 50066 TO EXTEND PERMIT BOUNDARY AND
INCLUDE SOILS WASHING PLANT
APPLICANT: NICK BROOKES
LOCATION: GREEN LANE, WARDLE, CHESHIRE CW5 6DB

Thank you for sending me a copy of the draft permit for Nick Brookes Demolition.
I have the following comments to make:

- Tonnage ok with 500 tonnes for the composting as the annual proposed throughput
- Tonnage for the transfer station and soils washing plant- this is more difficult to predict as some of the waste that is accepted as part of the transfer station process will possibly be put through the soils washing plant. As long as the total annual tonnage doesn't exceed that permitted in the permit that should be acceptable. So maximum 299500 tonnes for the transfer station and the same for the soils washing plant but with a annual combined tonnage for the two operations shall not exceed 299500 tonnes.
- Hazardous waste- asbestos being the only hazardous waste knowingly accepted at the site. Some of the codes included in our original list are known as 'mirror entries' (ie highlighted in blue in the EWC list) and therefore not necessarily hazardous. These wastes will be checked for hazardous properties before acceptance on site and can therefore be permitted with the caveat that they are only accepted if non hazardous.

The following are mirror entries that are already allowed in the current permit and should therefore be included in the list of acceptable waste types for the transfer station in the variation:

15 01 10; 15 02 02; 16 01 04; 16 02 11; 16 02 13; 17 01 06; 17 02 04; 17 03 01; 17 04 09;
17 04 10; 17 05 03; 17 05 07; 17 06 01; 17 06 03; 17 06 05; 17 09 03; 19 12 06;
20 01 12; 20 01 35; 20 01 37.

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- The site will not knowingly accept loads consisting of solely or mainly dusts, powders or loose fibres nor will wastes in liquid form be knowingly accepted at the site.
- The use of 99 codes- due to the complexity of the EWC coding the 99 codes are sometimes the only code that a certain waste can be categorised under. These are valid codes under the European coding system, but however I know that the Environment Agency dislikes these and is therefore for your policy to remove these.

The application was to vary the original permit to include a proposed composting facility and the soils washing plant (which is currently authorised under a relevant exemption but the local Environment Officer has asked for this activity to be permitted). The application did not include any changes to the existing waste types to be accepted at the transfer station.

- Any waste codes that may be covered by the exemptions that are held by Nick Brookes for this site should not be included within the waste streams accepted under the permit. These will be regulated by the exemptions.

Not sure what is meant by the above comment regarding the waste codes and exempt activities.

Codes which are listed in the exempt activities should be allowed to be listed in the permit!

Wastes loads brought onto site for either storage or processing under an exemption will not be included in the annual tonnages for the permitted activities. They will be reported separately.

- Waste codes that cover any waste streams that maybe classed as 'incidentals' (these are the non conforming wastes that sometimes are deposited on site which may have been hidden in a load and therefore quarantined), should not be included in the list of wastes to be accepted on site.

Please do not hesitate to call me on 01606 558833 if you require any further information.

Yours sincerely,

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