Natural Resources Wales permitting decisions

Variation

We have decided to issue the variation for Pancross AD Plant operated by Vale Bio-Energy Limited.

The variation number is HB3935AE/V002

We consider in reaching that decision we have taken into account all relevant considerations and legal requirements and that the permit will ensure that the appropriate level of environmental protection is provided.

Purpose of this document

This decision document:

- explains how the application has been determined
- provides a record of the decision-making process
- shows how all relevant factors have been taken into account
- justifies the specific conditions in the permit other than those in our generic permit template.

Unless the decision document specifies otherwise we have accepted the applicant's proposals.

Structure of this document

- Key issues
- Annex 1 the decision checklist

Key issues of the decision

Schedule 1 to the Environmental Permitting Regulations (England and Wales) 2010 has been updated by the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) (Amendment) Regulations 2013 to reflect the implementation of Directive 2010/75/EU on Industrial Emissions, (the Industrial Emissions Directive) in England and Wales. As a result of this, a number of previously permitted waste activities have now been amended to Schedule 1, Part 2 listed activities. These activities are referred to as 'newly prescribed activities'.

Sites undertaking these activities were required to submit a variation application to vary their permits to include these as listed activities. For this particular site,

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this meant varying from a waste standard rules permit to an installation standard rules permit to allow them to operate above the IED thresholds.

We have not required the operator to submit evidence of technical competence. This is because the installations standard rules permit they have varied to has the same technical competence requirement as the waste standard rules permit they were already operating under, therefore, it did not need to be assessed again as it was agreed when the site was originally permitted.

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Annex 1: decision checklist

This document should be read in conjunction with the application and supporting information and permit/ notice.

Aspect considered	Justification / Detail	Criteria met
		Yes
Receipt of submission		
Standard rules criteria met	The Operator has confirmed that the can meet the conditions of the installations standard rules permit for on farm anaerobic digestion (SR2012 No9).	√

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