Sheffield City Council

Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016, as amended

Environmental Permit Decision Record

National Timber Group England Limited

The Permit number is: 6.6/084359/JT2

The Operator is: National Timber Group England Limited

The Installation address is: Oxclose Park Road North, Holbrook, Sheffield, S20 8GN

Permit Details:

The following Environmental Permit was issued under Regulation 13 of The Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations 2016, as amended, (EP Regulations), and varied under Regulation 20, to operate an installation which carries out an activity covered by the description in Schedule 1, Part 2, Chapter 6, Part A(2), Section 6.6 (a)

Section 6.6 Part A(2) of Schedule 1 states that an installation will require an A2 Environmental Permit to operate if the activity carried on involves the preservation of wood and wood products with chemicals, with a production capacity exceeding 75m³ per day other than exclusively treating against sapstain.

The original permit application was received on 12th May 2015 and duly made.

The application consultation period was started on 3rd July 2015 with no adverse comments received.

The original permit was issued on 13th July 2016.

Version 2 of the permit was issued with a Variation Notice following a BAT conclusions review.

Decision

The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016, as amended, requires Sheffield City Council to review conditions in permits that it has issued and to ensure that the permit delivers compliance with relevant standards. We are required to ensure this is completed within four years of the publication of updated decisions on BAT conclusions. We will use BAT conclusions published by the European Commission for conclusions published before the UK leaves the EU, or UK BAT conclusions after the UK leaves the EU. The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 enables the objectives of the Industrial Emissions Directive (IED) to be met. We have reviewed the permit for this installation against the revised BAT Conclusions for surface treatment using organic solvents (STS) including preservation of wood and wood products with chemicals industry sector (WPC) published on 9th December 2020.

We decided to issue the revised permit for National Timber Group England Limited. We reviewed the techniques used by the Operator in the operation and control of the plant and activities of the installation. This review was undertaken with reference to European Commission establishing best available techniques (BAT) conclusions ('BAT Conclusions') commission implementing decision (EU) 2020/2009, establishing best available techniques (BAT) conclusions (BATc) for Surface treatment using organic solvents including preservation of wood and wood products with chemicals industry sector (STS).

We decided to issue the revised permit and Variation Notice to the Operator. This will allow the site to continue to operate the Installation, subject to the conditions in the permit. We consider that, in reaching our decision, we have taken into account all relevant considerations and legal requirements and that the varied permit will ensure that a high level of protection is provided for the environment and human health.

We reached our decision by requesting information to demonstrate compliance with BAT Conclusion techniques. We issued a Notice under Regulation 61(1) of the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 (a Regulation 61 Notice) on 13th September 2021 requiring the Operator to provide information to demonstrate where the operation of their installation currently meets, or how it will subsequently meet, the revised standards described in the relevant BAT Conclusions document. The Regulation 61 Notice response from the Operator was received on 16th December 2021 and deemed satisfactory.

No derogation is required.