

**The Owner
Plas Y Ffynnon
Cambrian Way
Brecon
Powys
LD3 7HP**

Our ref: S/04/55087/SG/V001

Date: 02/04/2012

Dear Sir or Madam

Notice of variation to change conditions of environmental permit for a groundwater activity

**Permit reference: S/04/55087/SG/V001
Operator: Dwr Cymru Cyf
Facility: Alkington Council Houses STP**

The Environmental Permitting Regulations (England and Wales) 2010 require us to review your permit before 22 December 2012. Following this review, we are changing the conditions of your existing discharge consent/groundwater permit (now called an environmental permit) to discharge sewage effluent at Alkington Council Houses STP to ensure compliance with these new Regulations.

Please be aware that your volume to be discharged, the discharge location and method of discharge will remain unchanged.

I draw your attention to a new requirement under the Environmental Permitting Regulations 2010 for the operator to manage and operate the activities in accordance with a written management system. This is referred to under condition 1.1 of the permit; General management. A copy can be found on our internet site at <http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/business/topics/pollution/113738.aspx>

If you have any questions about the above variation please email Oltonwqnpt@environment-agency.gov.uk or phone 0121 708 3971.

Rights of appeal

If you are not happy with any permit condition that has been imposed by the variation you may appeal to the Secretary of State. You must make your appeal no later than two months after the date of the notice.

Further information about making an appeal and the forms you will need are available from:

The Planning Inspectorate, Room 4/04 Kite Wing, Temple Quay House,
2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN. Phone: 0117 3728726
Email: environment.appeals@pins.gsi.gov.uk

You must send written notice of the appeal and the documents listed below to the Secretary of State to the respective Planning Inspectorate address above. At the same time you must send us a copy of the notice and documents to

Victoria Balmer, Appeals Coordinator, Environment Agency, National Permitting Service, Knutsford Road, Latchford, Warrington, WA4 1HG.
Phone: 01925 542456
Email: victoria.balmer@environment-agency.gov.uk

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.

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

The following options explain what you need to do if you need to make further changes to your permit.

Change (vary) the permit

If you would like to make changes to your permit you need to apply for a variation. For further advice on how you can vary your permit, please visit our website. All applicants must fill in Part A and F, and complete the appropriate Part C sections. Part C6, to vary a standalone water discharge activity, can be found on our website at

<http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/business/topics/permitting/117648.aspx>

Transfer the permit

If you wish to transfer ownership of this permit to a new or multiple holders in a partnership, please complete forms Part A1 About you and Part D1 Notification of Transfer and return the forms to us and keep a copy for your records. The forms can be found on our website at

<http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/business/topics/permitting/117665.aspx>

Since 1 October 2004 the law requires that both the current and proposed new permit holder give us notification of the transfer. Please read the enclosed guidance notes and the points below before you complete the forms.

- Part A should contain details of the new holder.
- Both the current and new holder need to agree the date of transfer. This must be at least 20 working days after the date of the notification.
- The existing and new holder must complete the declaration in section 5 of form D1.
- Return the forms to us and keep a copy for your records.

The existing holder will still be liable for any breach of the permit and annual charges if applicable, until the transfer has been completed, even if they are no

longer on site.

When we receive the transfer information we will process it within 20 working days and inform both the new and former holder when it is complete.

What to do if you can't contact the existing holder

You need to let us know about this. If we don't have both parties details we cannot arrange the transfer and we must cancel (revoke) the permit. This means that you will need to apply for a new permit in your name to be able to carry out the groundwater activity. In this event please contact us so we can update our records and explain what you need to do to apply for a new permit.

Surrender your permit

If you no longer require the permit please complete forms A1 About you, and Part E1 Notification of Surrender and return the forms to us and keep a copy for your records. The forms can be found on our website at

<http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/business/topics/permitting/117672.aspx>

- The date of surrender must be at least 20 working days after the date of your notification.
- All persons named on the permit must complete the form to provide agreement to surrender the permit.

When we receive the surrender information we will process it within 20 working days and tell you when it is complete.

If you have any questions regarding transferring or surrendering your permit please email psc-waterquality@environment-agency.gov.uk or phone 01142 898 335.

Yours faithfully

National Permitting Service

Notice of variation and consolidation with introductory note

Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations 2010

Dwr Cymru Cyf

Alkington Council Houses STP
Alkington
Shropshire

Variation application number

S/04/55087/SG/V001

Permit number

S/04/55087/SG

Alkington Council Houses STP

Permit number S/04/55087/SG

Introductory note

This introductory note does not form a part of the notice.

The following notice gives notice of the variation of an environmental permit.

Following a review of the existing permit this variation notice changes the conditions to ensure compliance with the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2010 ('the Regulations'). There are no changes to the groundwater activity.

Site plans attached to the permits when they were originally granted are to be deleted in this review exercise. Regulation 14(4) of the Regulations requires environmental permits to include a map, plan or other description of the site of the regulated facility showing its geographical extent. However, regulation 70(a) disappplies this requirement to discharge consents and authorisations (such as this) which became environmental permits on 6 April 2010, upon the introduction of the Regulations. The original site plans do not show the boundary of the site.

The schedules specify the changes made to the original permit.

The status log of a permit sets out the permitting history, including any changes to the permit reference number. It is not backdated before 6 April 2010

Status log of the permit		
Description	Date	Comments
Regulator initiated variation determined S/04/55087/SG/V001	02/04/2012	EPR and GWDD update

End of introductory note

Notice of variation and consolidation

Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2010

The Environment Agency in exercise of its powers under regulation 20 of the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2010 varies and consolidates

Permit number
S/04/55087/SG

issued to:
Dwr Cymru Cyf (“the operator”)
Plas Y Ffynnon, Cambrian Way, Brecon, Powys, LD3 7HP

to operate a regulated facility at

Alkington Council Houses STP
Alkington
Shropshire

to the extent set out in the schedules.

The notice shall take effect from 02/04/2012

Name	Date
Mark Hutchinson	02/04/2012

Authorised on behalf of the Environment Agency

Schedule 1 – conditions to be deleted

All conditions and site plans are deleted and replaced with new template conditions.

Schedule 2 – conditions to be amended

None.

Schedule 3 – conditions to be added

Please see attached new conditions.

Permit

The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2010

Permit number
S/04/55087/SG

This is the consolidated permit referred to in the variation and consolidation notice for application S/04/55087/SG/V001 authorising,

Dwr Cymru Cyf (“the operator”)

Plas Y Ffynnon, Cambrian Way, Brecon, Powys, LD3 7HP

to operate a groundwater activity at

Alkington Council Houses STP
Alkington
Shropshire

to the extent authorised by and subject to the conditions of this permit.

Name

Date

Mark Hutchinson	02/04/2012
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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 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.

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 discharge

- 2.2.1 The discharge shall be made at the point listed in table S3.2 of this permit (discharge points).

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.

3.2 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;
 - (b) implement the approved emissions management plan, from the date of approval, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.
- 3.2.3 Appropriate measures shall be taken to prevent the input of hazardous substances to groundwater by avoiding the entry of those substances into groundwater and by avoiding any significant increase in their concentration in groundwater.

3.3 Monitoring

- 3.3.1 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 and S3.3 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.
- 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.

4.3 Notifications

- 4.3.1 The Environment Agency shall be notified without delay following the detection of:

- (a) 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;
 - (b) the breach of a limit specified in the permit; or
 - (c) any significant adverse environmental effects.
 - (d) any emergency discharge that has occurred.
- 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.
- 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.

4.4 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 "without delay", in which case it may be provided by telephone.

Schedule 1 – Operations

Table S1.1 Activities	
Description of activity	Limits of specified activity
Groundwater activity: discharge into land of sewage effluent from a septic tank	Via a soakaway system at NGR SJ5323039560

Schedule 2 - Waste types, raw materials and fuels

Wastes are not accepted as part of the permitted activities and there are no restrictions on raw materials or fuels under this schedule.

Schedule 3 – Emissions and monitoring

Table S3.1 Point Source emissions to water (other than sewer) and land – emission limits and monitoring requirements

Emission point ref. & location	Parameter	Limit (incl. unit)	Reference Period	Monitoring frequency	Compliance statistic
Outflow from a septic tank prior to discharge into land	Maximum daily flow	5.0 m ³ /day	Total daily volume	N/A	Maximum
Outflow from a septic tank prior to discharge into land	Visible oil or grease	No significant trace present	Instantaneous (spot sample)	N/A	No significant trace

Table S3.2 Discharge points

Effluent Name	Discharge Point	Discharge point NGR	Receiving Environment
sewage effluent	Outlet 1	SJ5323039560	Groundwater

Table S3.3 Monitoring points

Effluent and discharge point	Monitoring type	Monitoring point NGR	Monitoring point reference
sewage effluent via Outlet 1	Effluent sample point	SJ5323039560	N/A

Schedule 4 - Reporting

There is no reporting under this schedule.

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	
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 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.

“annually” means once every year.

“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.

“emissions to land” includes emissions to groundwater.

“EP Regulations” means The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations SI 2010 No.675 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.

“quarter” means a calendar year quarter commencing on 1 January, 1 April, 1 July or 1 October.

“year” means calendar year ending 31 December.

END OF PERMIT