

Notice of variation and consolidation with introductory note

**The Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations
2016**

Bio Products Laboratory
Water softening plant serving
Bio Products Laboratory
Dagger Lane
Elstree
Hertfordshire
WD6 3BX

Variation application number

N/WR1054/V001

Permit number

N/WR1054

Water softening plant serving Bio Products Laboratory

Permit number N/WR1054

Introductory note

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

Under the Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations 2016 (schedule 5, part 1, paragraph 19) a variation may comprise a consolidated permit reflecting the variations and a notice specifying the variations included in that consolidated permit.

Schedule 1 of the notice specifies the conditions that have been varied and schedule 2 comprises a consolidated permit which reflects the variations being made. All the conditions of the permit have been varied and are subject to the right of appeal.

This permit is for a discharge of up to 600 cubic metres per day of trade effluent from a pharmaceutical production facility. The source of the discharge is reverse osmosis water treatment plants used to produce purified water.

This variation is to add a second plant, the volume is increasing from 300 to 600 cubic meters per day, and the flow rate is increasing from 7 litres per second to 11 litres per second.

The original plant uses sodium metabisulphite for treatment. The new plant uses modern 'greener' technology so the 4mg/l limit on sodium metabisulphite does not need to increase. The effluent will be discharged via a tributary of Tykes Water. Eel mesh will be installed on the discharge point at outlet 1. It is not reasonable to connect to foul sewer.

The status log of a permit sets out the permitting history, including any changes to the permit reference number.

Status log of the permit		
Description	Date	Comments
Permit determined N/WR1054	25/08/2006	Permit issued to Bio Products Laboratory.
Application N/WR1054/V001 (variation and consolidation)	Duly made 29/11/2024	Application to increase volume and flow rate and to update the permit to modern conditions.
Variation determined N/WR1054	10/06/2025	Varied and consolidated permit issued in modern condition format.

End of introductory note

Notice of variation and consolidation

The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016

The Environment Agency in exercise of its powers under regulation 20 of the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 varies and consolidates

Permit number

N/WR1054

Issued to

Bio Products Laboratory Limited (“the operator”),

whose registered office is

**C/O Bio Products Laboratory
Dagger Lane
Elstree
Hertfordshire
WD6 3BX**

company registration number 07343036

to operate a water discharge activity at

**Bio Products Laboratory
Dagger Lane
Elstree
Hertfordshire
WD6 3BX**

to the extent set out in the schedules.

The notice shall take effect from 10/06/2025

Name	Date
Kelly Walsh	10/06/2025

Authorised on behalf of the Environment Agency

Schedule 1

All conditions have been varied as a result of the application made by the operator:

Schedule 2 – consolidated permit

Consolidated permit issued as a separate document.

Permit

The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016

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N/WR1054

This is the consolidated permit referred to in the variation and consolidation notice for application N/WR1054/V001 authorising,

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

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Conditions

1 Management

1.1 General management

- 1.1.1 The operator shall manage and operate the activity:
- (a) in accordance with a written management system that identifies and minimises risks of pollution so far as is reasonably practicable, including those risks 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 the permit.

2 Operations

2.1 Permitted activities

- 2.1.1 The only activity authorised by the permit is the activity specified in schedule 1 table S1.1.

2.2 The site

- 2.2.1 The discharge activity shall take place at the discharge point marked on the site plan at schedule 7 to this permit, and as listed in table S3.2; and, the operating technique(s) that is (are) the subject of conditions prefixed by 2.3 shall be applied at the location(s) shown, or otherwise described, in schedule 7.

2.3 Operating techniques

- 2.3.1 For the activity referenced in schedule 1, table S1.1 the activity shall, subject to the conditions of this permit, be operated using the techniques and in the manner described in the documentation specified in schedule 1, table S1.2, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.

3 Emissions and monitoring

3.1 Emissions to water

- 3.1.1 The limits given in schedule 3 table S3.1 shall not be exceeded.

3.2 Emissions of substances not controlled by emission limits

- 3.2.1 The operator shall take appropriate measures to minimise so far as reasonably practicable the polluting effects of the emissions of substances in the discharge not controlled by emission limits (excluding odour).

3.3 Monitoring

- 3.3.1 The operator shall, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency, undertake the monitoring specified in the following tables in schedule 3 to this permit:
- (a) point source emissions specified in tables S3.1 and S3.3.
- 3.3.2 The operator shall maintain records of all monitoring required by this permit.
- 3.3.3 Monitoring equipment, techniques, personnel and organisations employed for the emissions monitoring programme specified in condition 3.3.1 shall have either MCERTS certification or MCERTS accreditation (as appropriate), where available, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.
- 3.3.4 An accessible monitoring point shall be provided and maintained to enable the emissions monitoring programme other monitoring to be carried out at the monitoring point specified in table S3.3 of schedule 3 and shown marked on the site plan in schedule 7.

4 Information

4.1 Records

- 4.1.1 All records required to be made by schedule 3, 4 and 5 to 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 maintain convenient access, in either electronic or hard copy, to the records, plan and management system required to be maintained by this permit.

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.
- 4.2.2 Within the time period after the end of the reporting period specified in schedule 4 table S4.1 the operator shall, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency, submit reports of the monitoring and assessment carried out in accordance with the conditions of this permit, as follows:
- (a) in respect of the parameters and monitoring points specified in schedule 4 table S4.1;
- (b) for the reporting periods specified in schedule 4 table S4.1 and using the forms specified in schedule 4 table S4.2; and

- (c) giving the information from such results and assessments as may be required by the forms specified in those tables.

4.3 Notifications

- 4.3.1 The Environment Agency shall be notified as soon as reasonably practicable following detection, within the site of the regulated facility 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; and
 - (b) any breach of a limit specified in schedule 3 table S3.1.

Any other significant adverse environmental effects, which may have been caused by the activity, shall also be notified to the Environment Agency as soon as reasonably practicable following detection.

- 4.3.2 The information provided under condition 4.3.1 shall be supported by sending the information listed in schedule 5 to this permit within the time period specified in that schedule.

- 4.3.3 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.

- 4.3.4 Where the operator proposes to make a change in the nature of the activity by increasing the concentration of, or the addition of, or allowing the introduction of, a substance to the activity to an extent that the operator considers could have a significant adverse environmental effect on the receiving waters, and the change is not permitted by emission limits specified within schedule 3 table S3.1 or the subject of an application for approval under the EP Regulations or under the terms of this permit:

- (a) the Environment Agency shall be notified in writing at least 14 days before the increase or addition or allowing the introduction; and
- (b) the notification shall contain a description of the proposed change.

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 "as soon as reasonably practicable", in which case it may be provided by telephone.

Schedule 1 – Operations

Table S1.1 Activities	
Description of activity	Limits of specified activity
Discharge of trade effluent consisting of water softening plant effluent via Outlet 1	N/A

Schedule 2 – Waste types, raw materials and fuels

Schedule 2 not in use.

Schedule 3 – Emissions and monitoring

Table S3.1 Point Source emissions to water (other than sewer) – emission limits and monitoring requirements						
Effluent(s) and discharge point(s)	Parameter	Limit (including unit)	Reference Period	Limit of effective range	Monitoring frequency	Compliance Statistic
Trade effluent consisting of water softening plant effluent via Outlet 1	Maximum daily discharge volume	600 m ³ /day	Total daily volume	N/A	Continuous	Maximum
	Maximum rate of discharge	11 litres per second	Instantaneous (spot sample)	N/A	Continuous	Maximum
	15-minute instantaneous or averaged flow	No limit set. Record as l/s	15 minutes	N/A	Continuous	N/A
	Suspended solids (measured after drying at 105°C)	40 mg/l	Instantaneous (spot sample)	N/A	N/A	Maximum
	pH	6 to 9	Instantaneous (spot sample)	N/A	N/A	Minimum and maximum
	Sodium metabisulphite as SO ₃	4 mg/l	Instantaneous (spot sample)	N/A	N/A	Maximum
	Visible oil or grease	No significant trace present so far as is reasonably practicable	Instantaneous (visual examination)	N/A	N/A	No significant trace

Table S3.2 Discharge points			
Effluent Name	Discharge Point	Discharge point NGR	Receiving water/Environment
Trade effluent consisting of water softening plant effluent	Outlet 1	TQ 17455 96386	Tributary of Tykes Water

Table S3.3 Monitoring points			
Effluent and discharge point	Monitoring type	Monitoring point NGR	Monitoring point reference
Trade effluent consisting of water softening plant effluent via Outlet 1	Effluent sampling	TQ 16444 96034	Effluent sample point
Trade effluent consisting of water softening plant effluent via Outlet 1	MCERTS flow monitoring	TQ 16444 96012	MCERTS flow monitoring point

Schedule 4 – Reporting

Parameters, for which reports shall be made, in accordance with conditions of this permit, are listed below.

Table S4.1 Reporting of monitoring data			
Parameter	Monitoring point reference	Reporting period	Period begins
Total daily volume	MCERTS flow monitoring point	Annually Report to be submitted within 2 months of the end of the calendar year	1 January
15-minute flow	MCERTS flow monitoring point	Reports to be provided to the Environment Agency upon request Report to be submitted within 28 days unless otherwise specified in writing by the Environment Agency	Upon request by the Environment Agency

Table S4.2 Reporting forms	
Parameter	Reporting format
Total daily volume	WISKI electronic format specified by the Environment Agency
15-minute flow	WISKI electronic format specified by the Environment Agency

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 or unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency	
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/type or nature of effluent released	
Best estimate of the quantity or rate of release of substances and/or duration of discharge	
Best estimate of the environmental impact of the discharge	
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 specified in schedule 3 table S3.1	
The information specified below is to be notified to the Environment Agency as soon as reasonably practicable following detection.	
Monitoring point reference/ source	
Self monitoring regime (where relevant)	
Type of failure	
Date of sample/event	
Parameter	
Result and units	
Limit and units	

Part B – to be submitted as soon as reasonably practicable unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency

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/breach/exceedance	
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	

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.

“appropriate measures” for the purposes of the emission of substances not controlled by emission limits condition (condition 3.2.1) do not require the operator to undertake treatment to a level beyond that specified in schedule 1 table S1.1, or to carry out routine monitoring for substances not controlled by emission limits.

“emissions of substances not controlled by emission limits” means emissions of substances to air, water or land from the permitted activities, which are not controlled by an emission limit.

“EP Regulations” means The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations SI 2016 No.1154 and words and expressions used in this permit which are also used in the Regulations have the same meanings as in those Regulations.

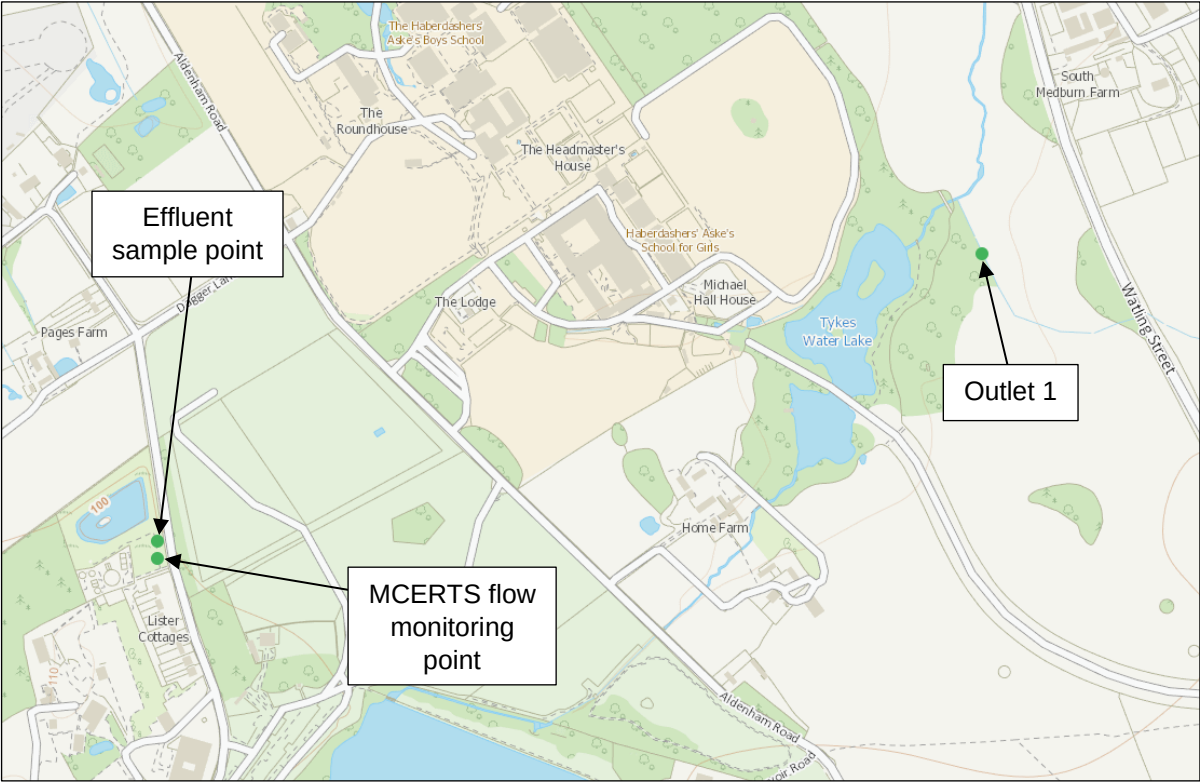
“MCERTS” means the Environment Agency’s Monitoring Certification Scheme.

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

“significant pollution” means a category 1 or category 2 incident indicated by the Common Incident Classification Scheme (CICS).

“year” means calendar year ending 31 December.

Schedule 7 – Site plan



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