

CONSENT NO.	401518
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WATER RESOURCES ACT 1991

SECTION 88 - SCHEDULE 10

(AS AMENDED BY THE ENVIRONMENT ACT 1995)

NOTICE OF MODIFICATION OF CONSENT TO DISCHARGE

TO: Wessex Water Services Ltd ("the Consent Holder")
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Following a review of the conditions of its consent, the **ENVIRONMENT AGENCY** ("The Agency") exercising its powers under paragraph 7(2)(b) of schedule 10 to the Water Resources Act 1991, **HEREBY MODIFIES ITS CONSENT** for making a discharge(s) **OF:**

Biologically Treated Sewage Effluent & Settled Storm Sewage Effluent

with respect to Consent No. 401518 issued on the 16th day of July 2004, and modified on the 31st day of December 2005 and the 14th day of October 2008.

FROM: Amesbury Sewage Treatment Works

AT: Church Street, Amesbury, Wiltshire

TO: Hampshire Avon River

FROM NOW ON the consent is modified as follows:

A. Substitution of condition 1.4.6 by the following new condition:

1.4.6

- a** The Consent Holder shall analyse and record total phosphorus in all samples of the discharge taken for the purposes of assessing compliance with the Urban Waste Water Treatment Regulations 1994. The sample results shall be supplied to the Agency with the Urban Waste Water Treatment Regulations sample results or on request.
- b** The mean concentration of total phosphorus expressed as P in the samples of the Discharge taken as required by paragraph (a) above in any period of twelve consecutive months shall not exceed 1 milligramme per litre.

And

B. Substitution of condition 1.11, 1.12, 1.13, 1.14, and 1.15 by the following new conditions:

1.11 Works operation

1.11.1 The works shall be operated and the effluent shall be treated in a manner which, so far as reasonably practicable, minimises the polluting effects of the Discharge made from the works on controlled waters.

This condition does not require:

- a any higher standard to be achieved in relation to any characteristic of the Discharge which is specifically regulated by conditions 1.4.1, 1.4.2, 1.4.3, 1.4.4, 1.4.5, and 1.4.6 than is required by those conditions;
- b any alteration of the works or a change in the type of treatment used.

1.12 Substantial change

1.12.1 A discharge shall not be made from the works if it would cause a significant increase in the polluting effects of the discharge on controlled waters as a result of a new or altered discharge of trade effluent into the works.

- a A discharge of trade effluent into the works is new if:
 - i it is made by the sewerage undertaker and is of a kind not made into the works by the undertaker immediately before the date of effect of this consent; or
 - ii it is made by a third party and the discharge is authorised on or after that date.
- b A discharge of trade effluent into the works is altered if:
 - i it is made by the sewerage undertaker and its composition or quantity changes significantly on or after the date of effect of this consent; or
 - ii it is made by a third party and the alteration of the discharge is authorised on or after that date.
- c An increase in the polluting effects of the Discharge on controlled waters is not significant for the purposes of this condition if it relates to any characteristic of the Discharge which is specifically regulated by conditions 1.4.1, 1.4.2, 1.4.3, 1.4.4, 1.4.5, and 1.4.6 of this consent but it may be significant if it is caused by a change in some other characteristic of the Discharge.
- d For the purposes of this condition, "trade effluent" means:
 - i any discharge by the sewerage undertaker other than surface water run-off or domestic sewage from premises connected directly or indirectly to the works,
 - ii any discharge by a third party which is authorised under Chapter III of Part IV of the Water Industry Act 1991 or which is only accepted as a result of a contract with the sewerage undertaker.

1.13 Operational Surveillance Condition

- 1.13.1 The Consent Holder shall devise and implement documented procedures for the purpose and effect of maintaining awareness of the presence of dangerous substances in;
- i trade effluent into the collecting / sewerage system served by the works, and;
 - ii matter received directly at the works from trade premises,
- and shall make and maintain records of the application of such procedures, which shall be open to inspection by the Agency on reasonable notice.

1.14 The Dangerous Substance List II Condition

- 1.14.1 Unless the concentration is specifically regulated by condition 1.4.3, the Discharge shall not contain a concentration of any List II Substance (as defined in the Dangerous Substances Directive 76/464/EEC) such as to cause any of the relevant Environmental Quality Standards set out in DoE Circular 007/89, SI 1997 No2560 and SI 1998 No389, to be exceeded in the receiving water.

1.15 Investigate and Monitor Condition

- 1.15.1 If the Agency has reasonable grounds to believe that concentrations of any dangerous substance (as defined in the Dangerous Substances Directive 76/464/EEC) in the discharge have increased, or may increase, such that there is a risk of causing pollution in the receiving water then on the written request of the Agency, the Consent Holder shall as soon as practicable investigate and provide a written assessment of the source and the concentration or quantity within the discharge of the specified substance(s).

NOTE. All other conditions of this consent remain unaltered and in force. This modification of consent should be read in conjunction with, and attached to Consent No 401518.

Under the provisions of Paragraphs 7 and 8 of Schedule 10 to the Water Resources Act 1991, no notice shall be served by the Agency, which alters the effect of modifications made by this notice, without the agreement in writing of the Consent Holder, during a period of 4 years from the date this notice is served.

This consent modification is issued and takes effect on 24 July 2009



Signed

Ben Evans

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