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Our ref:

EA/PPC/BP3834XK

Your ref:

Date:

27th May 2008

Graham Walker Natural England, Woodthorne. Wergs Road, Wolverhampton. **WV6 8TQ**

Dear Mr Walker

THE POLLUTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL (ENGLAND AND WALES) REGULATIONS 2000 (SI 2000 No. 1973), as amended, (PPC Regulations); **COUNTRYSIDE AND RIGHTS OF WAY ACT 2000 (CROW)** THE CONSERVATION (NATURAL HABITATS, & C.) REGULATIONS 1994 (Habitats Regulations)

Application reference: EA/PPC/BP3834XK

Applicant:

Envirosol Ltd

Installation:

Envirosol Environmental Management Facility Brownhills

NATIONAL GRID REFERENCE: SK03500520

I am writing to inform you that the above application for a PPC Permit has been received by the Environment Agency and is within 2km of SSSI sites (Clayhanger; Chasewater Heaths) and 10km of European sites (Cannock Extension Canal; Cannock Chase).

Under the requirements of the PPC Regulations, as a Competent Authority, we are required to consult you within 14 days of receipt of this application if it may affect a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) or a European site. In accordance with the agreement laid out in 'EA / EN Procedural Guidance note: 'In tranche' Consultation Procedure for EN CCW (October 03), please accept this letter as consultation, for the purposes of the PPC Regulations, within that time period.

The National Permitting Service (NPS) team in Nottingham is currently assessing the application's potential to impact upon relevant SSSIs or European sites. A full application and initial assessment will be forwarded to you, if necessary, as follows:

- a) For SSSIs which are not also European sites, in pursuance of the requirements of CROW, if the Agency's risk assessment indicates that the operation is likely to damage the features of interest, but the Agency is nevertheless minded to proceed with the application (in which case a CROW Appendix 4 assessment will also be forwarded in accordance with section 28I), or
- b) For European sites, in pursuance with the requirements of the Habitats Regulations, once the likelihood of a significant effect has been assessed and an HR01 form has been completed. CROW Appendix 4 assessment to be forwarded as necessary.



As part of our assessment under the Habitats Regulations we have a requirement to assess this application in combination with relevant plans/projects issued by other competent authorities. We will be consulting the following competent authorities as part of our consultation process:

- Food Standards Agency
- Walsall Metropolitan District Council
- Walsall Teaching Primary Care Trust

If you are aware of any additional relevant competent authorities, or if you are aware of any relevant plans/projects that should be considered as part of our assessment, please provide us with the details within 2 weeks of the date of this letter.

If you have any questions regarding the application or would like to request consideration of specific SSSIs beyond the **2km** screening criteria used, please contact the NPS team in Nottingham on the number below. A copy of the full application is also available at any time from this team.

Yours sincerely

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