Permitting Process Update

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Introduction

- Context of Environmental Permitting of Incinerators
- Permit Determination Processes
Industrial Emissions Directive

**Replaced**
- Integrated Pollution Prevention and Control Directive (IPPC), and
- Waste Incineration Directive (WID)

- No Significant Pollution (includes risk to human health)
- Apply Best Available Techniques
- Minimise Waste
- Prevent Accidents and Limit Their Consequences
- Return Land to Satisfactory State
- Sets Mandatory Minimum Standards for Emission Limit Values, monitoring and various operating conditions
- There are no changes to the requirements under IED
Permit Determination Process

- Pre-Application Discussions
- Submit Application (20/10/10 and 23/05/12)
- Duly Making (14/12/10 and 26/6/12)
- Advertising and Consultation (Jan 2011 & Aug 2012)
- Evaluation
- Further Information
  - **Determination**
  - Draft Decision
  - Second Round of Consultation anticipated in June
  - Decision
What was in the applications

• Non – Technical Summary
• BAT Assessment
• Description of the process and how it is controlled
• Emissions to the Environment (Air, Water, Sewer, Land & Waste)
• Efficient Use of Materials, Water and Energy
• Noise and Odour
• Management
• Accident Prevention
• Monitoring of Emissions
• Protection of the Land – Site Condition Report
• Environmental Impact Assessment
• Air Dispersion Model
• Health Risk Assessment
Consultation and Engagement

As part of the determination process we have consulted with…

• The Local Authority, (Planning and Environmental Health)
• The Primary Care Trust,
• Natural England,
• The Food Standards Agency,
• Health and Safety Executive

And…

Local People by advertising in the local paper, on our website and through a drop in session.

There will be a second drop in session, this is likely to be in June.
Permitting issues

- Delay on submission of the IBA processing application
- Proposed changes during the permitting process
- Move from IPPC/WID to IED
- Maximum hourly throughput
Future permitting

- There may be variations to the permit due to e.g.
  - Change in CV of waste
  - Technology changes
- We will consult on any substantial variation
Summary

- Plant must comply with IED
- Application at the end of the determination stage
- High public interest site
- Second stage of consultation
- Permit determination process has been thorough and painstaking
- Variations are likely
How do I find out more?

- From our website
  - Incineration
  - Permitting
  - consultation link