

PPC/A/1083904 Non-Technical Summary

The proposed variation to this permit includes the installation of a modern paper machine with, associated stock supply, drying equipment and dust extraction. This will approximately double the papermaking capacity on site from 51100 tonnes to 80000 tonnes and will increase the number of paper machines on site from two machines to three.

The existing pulping and steam generation equipment on site will not change however this will be utilised more fully.

The incoming gas line and meter will be increased in capacity to cope with the additional drying demand.

There will be an increase to the annual site emissions to air and sewer however the ratio of paper product to volume emissions will be improved by using a more modern and efficient paper machine.

Current environmental controls and monitoring of emissions will be reviewed as part of the variation procedure.

The level of the increase in capacity at the site mean the changes the operator is making are equivalent to an activity in its own right and therefore constitute a Substantial Variation.

As a Substantial Variation the Regulations require SEPA to review the existing permit and introduce new or updated conditions were appropriate, this may mean additional changes will be required in addition to those requested by the operator.