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# 1 Introduction

Barr Environmental Ltd (the Applicant) is applying to the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) under the Pollution Prevention and Control (PPC) regulations for a PPC permit to operate an Energy Recovery Park (ERP), (herein referred to as the Facility), in Killoch, East Ayrshire. The Facility will comprise of an Energy Recovery Facility (ERF) and associated infrastructure. The Facility will process municipal and commercial & industrial non-hazardous waste (herein referred to as waste).

This document and its appendices contain the supporting information for the application for a PPC permit for the Facility. They should be read in conjunction with the formal application forms. Presented in Section 1 is an overview of the Facility, with further information in response to specific questions in the application forms provided in Section 2.

The requirements of SEPA's Sector Guidance Notes S5.01 titled, 'Incineration of Waste and Fuel Manufactured from or Including Waste' (herein referred to as S5.01); S5.06 titled 'Recovery and disposal of hazardous and non-hazardous waste'; and any other relevant sector guidance (e.g. the Waste Incineration BREF) have been addressed throughout this document.

## 1.1 The Applicant

Barr Environmental Limited (herein referred to as Barr) is one of Scotland's leading waste management companies, operating a variety of waste treatment, recycling and residual disposal facilities throughout the West of Scotland. Barr's head office is located at Killoch in East Ayrshire along with the Killoch Training Centre.

## 1.2 The Site

The site on which Killoch ERP will be located is in Killoch in East Ayrshire. The site is owned by Barr's parent company, McLaughlin & Harvey Construction Ltd, and it operates its existing waste management operations from the site. As part of the existing operations the site already has a number of buildings such as offices, workshops and labs as well as a large area of hardstanding to the west of the current buildings.

The Facility will be located on the site of a former colliery. The Facility is bounded to the north and west by a coal storage yard owned by Hargreaves and to the south by the A70. Agricultural fields lie to the east of the site. Aside from the villages of Ochiltree and Drongan and the town of Cumnock, the surrounding land is largely agricultural. The closest private dwelling is Killochside which is c.300m west of the site. There are some other scattered private dwellings nearby, the closest being c 350m from the site boundary.

The site has good vehicular access as it is located on a major A road between the towns of Ayr and Cumnock.

A site location plan is presented in Appendix A.

## 1.3 The Activities

Activities covered by this application include:

- 1. Single line thermal treatment of waste plant processing incoming waste which is delivered to the site from off-site sources;
- 2. the generation of power and export to the National Grid, and the future generation of heat and export to local heat users;

- 3. production of inert bottom ash material that will be transferred off-site to a suitably licensed waste treatment facility for recovery/disposal; and
- 4. generation of an air pollution control residue that will be transferred to a suitably licensed hazardous waste facility for disposal or recovery.

The following table lists the scheduled and directly associated activities in accordance with the Pollution Prevention and Control (Scotland) Regulations 2012:

Type of Activity	Schedule 1 Activity	Description of Activity
Installation	Section 5.1 Part A b)	The thermal treatment of non-hazardous waste in a thermal treatment of waste plant with a nominal design capacity of 18.8 tonnes per hour.
Installation	Section 1.1 Part B (d)	Burning any fuel in a medium combustion plant with a rated thermal input equal to or greater than 1 megawatt and less than or equal to 20 megawatts to provide standby electrical generation in the event of an interruption in the supply requiring shutdown of the Facility.
Directly Associated Ac	tivities	
Directly Associated Activities		The export of electricity to the National Grid and local users, and the potential to export heat.
Directly Associated Activities		The receipt, preparation, storage and handling of non-hazardous waste prior to thermal treatment.
Directly Associated Activities		The handling, storage and transfer of residues for transfer off-site.

Table 1: Scheduled and Directly Associated Activities

A drawing showing the extent of the installation boundary is presented in Appendix A. All the activities associated with the operation of the Facility will be undertaken within the installation boundary.

## 1.4 The Facility

The main activities associated with the operation of the Facility will be the combustion of waste to raise steam and the generation of electricity via a steam turbine/generator set.

The thermal treatment of waste process will be based around process areas comprising the waste reception area; waste bunker; boiler hall with combustion chamber and heat recovery equipment; turbine hall with air cooled condenser; flue gas treatment (FGT) systems; ash storage facilities; and a stack of 75m.

The Facility is designed to process a range of wastes with an NCV range of 8 – 14 MJ/kg. The hourly throughput of waste will vary in accordance with the NCVs that are processed in order to achieve 100% Maximum Continuous Rating ("MCR"). The nominal design capacity is approximately 18.8 tonnes per hour (tph) of waste, at a design NCV of 10.5 MJ/kg. This equates to a nominal design capacity of approximately 150,000 tonnes per annum, assuming 8,000 hours operation per annum.

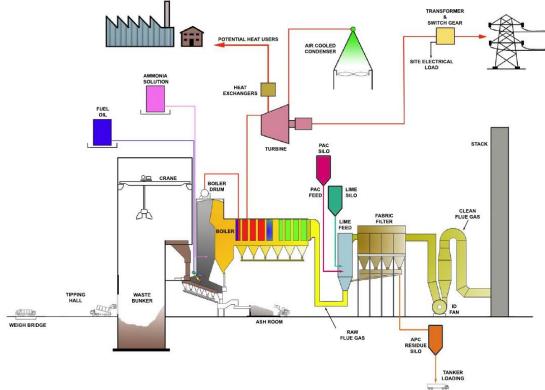
The maximum hourly throughput is 25 tonnes per hour of waste for lower NCV wastes. The maximum annual throughput is 166,000 tonnes per annum assuming 8,760 hours operation per annum at the design point. A planning application has been submitted to East Ayrshire council which reflects the throughput of 166,000 tonnes per annum. A firing diagram for the Facility is presented in Appendix A.

The Facility will generate up to approximately 17.2  $MW_e$  at the design point, with a parasitic load of 1.7  $MW_e$ . Therefore, approximately 15.5  $MW_e$  will be available for export to the National Grid.

The Facility will be designed as 'CHP Ready' and will also have the potential to export up to approximately 10  $MW_{th}$  of heat to local heat users. A Heat and Power Plan which provides more detail on the identified heat users and export possibilities is presented in Appendix F. Whilst agreements for the export of heat are not in place at the time of submission of this application, discussions are ongoing, and it is expected that formal agreements can be made with the identified heat users to enable the implementation of a heat export scheme within 5-7 years of the commencement of operation.

An indicative process diagram for the thermal treatment of waste process is presented in Figure 1 below. A larger copy is also included in Appendix A.





At the time of submitting this application, Barr is in an ongoing commercial procurement process with a limited number of recognised technology providers for the delivery of the Facility. All technology providers being considered have experience in the delivery of operational thermal treatment of waste plants within the UK and/or Europe, and have designed plants which comply with the requirements of the Industrial Emissions Directive and the Waste Incineration BREF. Barr can confirm that the technologies and techniques which are set out within this application are representative of the proposed technology solution(s) that it is considering for the project.

## 1.4.1 Waste reception

Incoming waste will be delivered to the Facility in enclosed road vehicles. The incoming vehicles will access the site via the A70 and will be weighed on a weighbridge at the gatehouse before being directed to the tipping hall.

The incoming waste will periodically undergo a visual inspection in accordance with the requirements of S5.06. This may involve the tipping of waste in the waste reception area.

The waste reception area for the Facility will be a fully enclosed area, maintained under slight negative pressure to reduce any emissions of odour, dust or litter, with fast acting roller shutter doors to the entrance/exit of the tipping hall to be kept closed apart from periods when waste deliveries are occurring.

Incoming waste delivered to the Facility will be tipped into the waste bunker. A grab crane will transfer the waste from the bunker to the feed hopper. The crane grab will also be used to homogenise the incoming waste and to identify and remove any unsuitable or non-combustible items.

Vehicles will be weighed when exiting the Facility, to determine the mass of the waste that has been delivered to the Facility.

The waste bunker in the Facility will have the capacity to store approximately 6 days of waste processing capacity, equivalent to a storage capacity of approximately 8,500 m<sup>3</sup> (or 2,800 tonnes). This will enable the Facility to maintain operation during periods when waste is not delivered; which could include weekends and extended bank holiday periods. The maximum waste storage capacity will be clearly established and not exceeded, taking into account the characteristics of the waste and the treatment capacity of the Facility. The quantity of waste stored will be regularly monitored visually and compared against the maximum allowed storage capacity. Careful monitoring of bunker levels will be undertaken to allow for this.

#### 1.4.2 Raw materials

Hydrated lime is used to react with the acid gases in the flue gas cleaning process. Lime will be stored in silos. The lime will be delivered by tanker and offloaded pneumatically by means of the on-board truck compressor into the silo. The displaced air will be vented to atmosphere through a fabric filter located on the top of the silo.

Powdered activated carbon (PAC) used for the absorption of volatile heavy metals and organic components is added with the lime. PAC will be stored in silos. PAC is pneumatically transferred from the delivery truck by means of an on-board compressor. As with the lime, the exhaust air is de-dusted using a fabric filter located on the top of the silo.

Ammonia is used in solution for the NOx reduction using selective non-catalytic reduction (SNCR) and will be stored in a designated area within a suitably bunded tank.

Demineralised water is supplied from an onsite water treatment plant. It is used to supply the steam cycle.

Various maintenance materials (oils, greases, insulants, antifreezes, welding and fire-fighting gases etc.) will be stored in an appropriate manner.

## 1.4.3 Combustion process

The combustion process will utilise conventional moving grate technology which will agitate the fuel bed to promote a good burnout of the waste and a uniform heat release. In a moving grate,

the fuel is moved mechanically by means of inclined fixed and moving bars that move the waste from the feed inlet, through a drying zone, a main combustion zone and finally to a burn out zone.

The furnace will be designed to ensure that the exhaust gases are raised to a minimum temperature of 850°C, with a minimum of 2 seconds flue gas residence time at this temperature to ensure the destruction of dioxins, furans, PAHs and other organic compounds. An adequate air supply will also be maintained to give the correct volume of oxygen for optimum combustion. The main source of airflow will be controlled through the grate. Flue gas temperatures within the furnace will be continually monitored and recorded, and audible and visible alarms will trigger in the control room if the temperature starts to fall towards 850°C. The control system will regulate combustion conditions and control the boilers.

Primary combustion air will be drawn from the waste reception area, tipping hall and waste bunker, maintaining negative pressure in the waste reception areas and fed into the furnace to feed the combustion process. Secondary combustion air will be injected into the flame bodies above the grate to facilitate the combustion of waste on the grates and to minimise levels of NO<sub>x</sub> emitted. Further up the furnace, above the combustion zone, liquid ammonia will be injected. The liquid ammonia reacts with the oxides of nitrogen formed in the combustion process forming water, carbon dioxide and nitrogen. By controlling the flow rate of ammonia introduced into the flue gas stream, the concentration of NO<sub>x</sub> will be reduced to achieve the required emission limit.

The combustion chamber will be provided with auxiliary burners, that will be of a low NOx design, and combust natural gas. The auxiliary burners will raise the temperature within the combustion chamber to the required 850°C prior to the feeding of waste into the furnace.

Air flow for combustion will be controlled by measuring excess oxygen content in the flue gas. This will be set to maximise the efficiency of the heat recovery process while maintaining the combustion efficiency.

#### 1.4.4 Energy recovery

Heat will be recovered from the flue gases by means of water tube boilers integral with the furnace. Heat will be transferred in each case through a series of heat exchangers. The hot gases from the furnace would first pass through evaporators that raise the steam. The hot flue gases would then pass into the boiler. The boiler will consist of a series of passes containing evaporators, superheaters and an economiser.

Superheated steam from the boiler will be supplied to a single high-efficiency steam turbine which, through a rotating shaft, turns a generator to produce electricity.

The remainder of the steam left after the turbine will be condensed back to water to generate the pressure drop to drive the turbine. A fraction of the steam will condense at the exhaust of the turbine in the form of wet steam, however the majority will be condensed and cooled using an air-cooled condenser. The condensed steam will be returned as condensate to the feedwater tank and from there again as feedwater to the closed-circuit pipework system to the boilers.

The Facility will be constructed as 'CHP Ready' and will have the capacity to export of heat to local heat users.

## 1.4.5 Flue gas treatment

The abatement of oxides of nitrogen (NOx) will be achieved by SNCR. NOx is formed in the boiler at high temperature from nitrogen in the waste and in the combustion air. Ammonia solution will be injected at the combustion chamber through a bank of nozzles installed at different places to

provide flexibility of dosing, directly into the hot flue gases above the flame. NOx is chemically reduced to nitrogen, carbon dioxide and water by the ammonia solution. The SNCR system will be controlled through the Distributed Control System (DCS). During detailed design of the Facility, the location of SNCR dosing points will be optimised using CFD modelling to ensure that emissions of NO<sub>2</sub> and NH<sub>3</sub> are maintained within the proposed emission limits.

After heat recovery and NOx abatement, the flue gas will pass to the flue gas treatment (FGT) system.

The flue gas treatment process will consist of:

- 1. hydrated lime and activated carbon injection; and
- 2. a fabric filter.

Hydrated lime and powdered activated carbon (PAC) will be injected into the flue gases upstream of the fabric filter to abate acidic gases, heavy metals and any remaining dioxins and furans. The hydrated lime will abate the emission of acidic gases, including hydrogen fluoride, hydrogen chloride and sulphur dioxide. A dry FGT method using hydrated lime will be used, with the benefit that no liquid effluent is produced and energy efficiency is increased. The activated carbon will abate emissions of volatiles within the flue gases, including mercury, organic compounds and dioxins. Hydrated lime and activated carbon will be stored in separate silos, transported pneumatically, mixed in-line and introduced to the flue gas stream through a common injection point.

Following the injection of lime and activated carbon, the flue gas will then pass through the fabric filter, which will remove the particulates and reaction products, collectively known as Air Pollution Control residues (APCr). The residues cake the outside of the filter bags, with the units periodically cleaned by a reverse jet of air. This displaces the filtered solids into chutes beneath, which are then stored in silos. The dosing rate for the acid gas reagent will be controlled by the upstream acid gas pollutant concentration measurements and proportioned to the volumetric flow rate of the flue gases. As fresh reagents are added, an equivalent amount of residue collected from the bag filters will be removed.

There will be online monitoring of the pressure drop within bag filter compartments to identify when there has been a failure of a bag filter. The system will be designed with sufficient redundancy to ensure that if there is a pressure drop in the bag filters, the relevant bag filter compartment will be able to be isolated to prevent uncontrolled emissions and repaired before being brought back on-line, whilst the Facility is in full operation. The flue gas treatment systems will be maintained to ensure optimal availability and will be operated within the design range.

The cleaned gas will be monitored for pollutants and discharged to atmosphere through a 75 m stack.

## 1.4.6 Emissions monitoring

A Continuous Emission Monitoring System (CEMS) will be installed to monitor concentrations of the following pollutants in the flue gas:

- particulates;
- sulphur dioxide;
- hydrogen chloride;
- carbon monoxide;
- nitrogen oxides;
- ammonia; and

• VOCs, expressed as total organic carbon.

It is not expected that emissions levels of dioxins and furans or mercury will require the installation of CEMS for monitoring of these pollutants. An accelerated periodic sampling programme will be undertaken to demonstrate this during the first 6 months of operation. Furthermore, periodic sampling and measurement will be carried out for:

- hydrogen fluoride;
- Group 3 heavy metals: antimony (Sb), arsenic (As), lead (Pb), chromium (Cr), cobalt (Co), copper (Cu), manganese (Mn), nickel (Ni), vanadium (V);
- cadmium (Cd) and thallium (Tl);
- mercury (Hg)<sup>1</sup>;
- nitrous oxide;
- dioxins and furans; and
- dioxin-like PCBs.

Periodic measurements will be carried out once every 6 months. In the first year of operation, monitoring may be carried out more frequently as required by the PPC permit.

The CEMS will be MCERTS approved. There will be a duty CEMS and a stand-by CEMS installed. This will ensure that there is continuous monitoring data available even in the event of a problem with the duty CEMS.

### 1.4.7 Ash handling

The 'main' residue produced by the Facility will be bottom ash, which is the burnt-out residue from the combustion process. Bottom ash is collected at the end of the combustion grate and falls into the discharger, which comprises a water-filled trough (or ash quench). The purpose of the ash quench is to cool and moisten the bottom ash to limit fugitive particulate emissions (dust generation) and to ensure an airtight seal to the furnace to avoid air ingress to the combustion chamber from the boiler house. Boiler ash, the ash fraction that collects within a boiler, will also be conveyed to the discharger, and will mix with the bottom ash within the quench to form the residue known as Incinerator Bottom Ash (IBA).

The IBA will be transferred via a conveyor to a dedicated IBA storage area. There will be regular collections of IBA from the IBA storage area for transfer off-site to a suitably licensed waste facility. The storage and handling of the IBA will be undertaken in enclosed buildings, with the IBA maintained wet to prevent the generation of fugitive dust emissions from the storage and handling of the IBA.

The APCr generated from the flue gas treatment process will be displaced from the bag filters and subsequently transferred for storage in silos. The APCr will be collected from the Facility in sealed tankers and transported off-site to a suitably licensed hazardous waste treatment or disposal facility.

#### 1.4.8 Site drainage

Uncontaminated surface water run-off from areas of hardstanding and roads will be collected in the surface water drainage system. The surface water drainage system will include silt and oil interceptors, which will remove silt and hydrocarbons, prior to discharge into a surface water

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Subject to agreement with the Scottish Environmental Protection Agency.

attenuation pond. The surface water pond will have an emergency shut-off valve to prohibit the discharge of potentially contaminated water into the aquatic environment in the event of an emergency, such as a fire event or major spillage. In the event of flooding at the site, additional surface water storage capacity will be available from areas external of hardstanding.

The surface water pond will have a discharge to an existing surface water culvert which directs the surface water flows from the Facility to the south east, across the A70 Highway and into the watercourse within the agricultural fields to the south of the site. It has been agreed with East Ayrshire Council's flooding officer that the discharge rate into the culvert would be limited to 17.6 l/s.

It is understood that the surface water drainage would not be regulated by the PPC permit. A separate license will be issued by SEPA under the Water Environment (Controlled Activities) (Scotland) Regulations 2011 (CAR). A separate application will be submitted to SEPA for approval, noting that should the drainage system comply with a General Binding Rule as defined in the CAR, this is considered to demonstrate compliance with an authorisation and therefore an authorisation from SEPA is not required. This is discussed further in Section 2.5.1.2

The design of the surface water drainage system will consider the requirements for Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems (SUDS). The SUDS will be designed in accordance with CIRIA C753. This is understood to be in accordance with the requirements of SEPA guidance for SUDS systems.

In accordance with the CAR Regulations and SEPA's Land Use Planning System Guidance note, 'Planning Advice on Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS)', the surface water drainage design includes the recommended treatment train approach. The treatment train proposed for the Facility's surface water runoff is to provide three levels of treatment for the hardstanding areas, two levels of treatment to the roads and car parking and one level of treatment to roof areas.

Due to the underlying ground conditions consisting of low permeability clay (glacial Till), it is considered that infiltration to the ground is not feasible and therefore any permeable paving installed will be a "no infiltration" system, lined, and with outfalls to the existing drainage system. Storage and treatment will be provided using a mix of pipe/tanks, filter drains, permeable paving and detention basins.

During normal operation, there will be no discharges of process effluents from the Facility – these will be reused, for example in the ash quench. A waste-water pit will be used to store liquid effluent and ensure that an adequate water supply is available for the bottom ash discharger. In the event that there are excess effluents generated which cannot be re-used within the process they will either be tankered and transferred off-site for treatment in a suitably licensed facility or discharged to sewer subject to a Trade Effluent consent being obtained from Scottish Water. Any constraints on the quality of effluent to be discharged to sewer to be imposed by Scottish Water through the Trade Effluent will be confirmed to SEPA prior to commencement of operations.

Overflow from the ash quench system will be contained in the process effluent drainage system, and subsequently re-used within the process.

Domestic effluent from welfare facilities will be discharged to sewer.

## 1.4.9 Ancillary operations

An emergency diesel generator (EDG) will provide power to safely shutdown the Facility. The EDG will provide sufficient power to run or shut the plant down in the event of the loss of a grid connection. The EDG is only expected to operate for short-term periods (i.e. <50 hours per year) for testing purposes or in the event of an emergency. It is anticipated that the emergency diesel generator will have a rated thermal input (RTI) of approximately 2- 3 MW<sub>th</sub>, and will combust low

sulphur fuel oil (<0.1% sulphur content). The exact RTI of the generator will be subject to detailed design of the Facility, and will be confirmed prior to the commencement of commissioning of the Facility.

An alternating current (AC) uninterruptible power supply (UPS) will be provided for essential functions (such as the primary control systems) that require continuous electricity supply even for a very short period of time (such as the starting-up of the emergency EDG).

### 1.4.10 Fire Prevention and Management Measures

The fire strategy for the Facility is subject to detailed design. However, it is assumed that either heat or smoke detectors will pick up the initial signs of a fire, sound the alarm and alert the control room. In the event of the alarm being activated, emergency procedures will be implemented for all personnel throughout the Facility to egress the building to their nearest fire evacuation muster point. The operators will then interrogate the main fire panel to determine the location of the fire. Dependant on the location of the fire, some of the suppression systems will automatically operate such as sprinklers and gas suppression systems. Within the waste bunker area of the Facility, however, manual intervention will be required to the control room, feed hopper sprinklers and the water cannons.

Water for firefighting will be stored in a dedicated firewater tank with a duty electric pump and standby diesel pump.

Fire detection and fire-fighting systems installed at the Facility will be in accordance with recognised standards. This may include the following standards/design requirements where appropriate:

- EN 671: Fixed fire-fighting systems (or NFPA equivalent);
- EN 12845: Fixed firefighting systems Automatic sprinkler systems Design, installation and maintenance;
- EN 14384: Pillar fire hydrants (if applicable);
- EN 15004: Fixed Firefighting systems Gas extinguishing systems (or NFPA equivalent);
- BS 750: Specification for underground fire hydrants and surface box frames and covers;
- BS 5041: Fire hydrant systems equipment;
- BS 5266: Emergency Lighting;
- BS 5306: Fire extinguishing installations and equipment on premises;
- BS 5588: Fire precautions in the design construction and use of buildings (only in as much as referred to in the Building Regulations);
- BS 5839: Fire Detection and Alarm systems for buildings;
- BS 9990: Non-automatic fire-fighting systems in buildings Code of practice;
- BS 9999: Code of Practice for Fire Safety in the design, management and use of Buildings;
- ISO 6182: Fire Protection Automatic Sprinkler Systems;
- ISO 6183: Fire protection equipment Carbon Dioxide systems;
- Building Regulations, in particular Approved Document B, Volume 2 Buildings other than dwelling houses, Section B5, Access and facilities for the fire service;
- NFPA 850: Recommended Practice for Fire Protection for Electric Generating Plants and High Voltage Direct Current Converter Stations;
- NFPA 82: Standard on Incinerators and Waste and Linen Handling Systems and Equipment;

- Chubb Technical Guidance for Energy from Waste (EfW) Fire Systems: "EIB\_GD\_EfW\_Fire\_10439\_131122 issue 1.0 dated 26th March 2016" [Note: The Chubb Technical Guidance is provided as a guide and may be superseded by the appointed insurers requirements];
- any relevant standards and codes of practice as the local authority fire officer and/or the Applicant's insurers wish to apply.

The fire prevention and fire-fighting equipment which will be installed in the waste bunker of the Facility will include, but not be limited to, the following:

- 1. bunker fire detection system;
- remote control operated fire cannons permanently mounted within the bunker area but outside of the normal crane operating window and positioned to provide full coverage of the bunker walls and floor;
- 3. automatic valves as required;
- 4. fire water sprays at each feed chute opening, automatically controlled on detection of fire or manually triggered on an individual basis from the Plant control room;
- 5. the complete piping, civil engineering works; and
- 6. all electric cabling, wiring, interlocks and alarms.

Due to the nature of the buildings and the risks therein, the design of the fire protection installation associated with the Facility will be undertaken by a suitably qualified and experienced fire protection specialist and will be subject to agreement to the Fire Risk Insurers.

Following a fire event at the Facility, all firewater which is contained either within the site drainage systems or the waste bunker will be tested and analysed to establish its suitability for discharge to sewer. Should the effluent be considered to be contaminated and unsuitable for discharge, it will be pumped out and collected in tankers for disposal at a suitable off-site waste management facility. The parameters which would be tested will depend on the water quality standards required by the water treatment/waste management company who will collect and dispose of the contaminated firewater. However, it is anticipated that typical 'trigger pollutants' such as ammonia, suspended solids and hydrocarbons will be included for in the analysis.

In the event of a fire the following measures have been allowed for within the drainage and firewater containment measures to prevent the release of contaminated fire water to the aquatic environment:

- 1. Fire water in the tipping hall and waste bunker area of the Facility will collect in the waste bunker or process water drainage system. The waste bunker will be designed as a water retaining structure.
- 2. Fire water in other indoor process areas will be directed towards a 'wastewater pit' or process water storage tank via the process drainage system.
- 3. The surface water attenuation storage will be fitted with an isolation valve to prevent the discharge of used firewater from the surface drainage system in the event of a fire.
- 4. The process drainage system will also be contained and have isolation measures in place to prevent the discharge of contaminated firewater off-site.
- 5. Additional storage will be available from the site kerbing and areas of hardstanding.

The capacity of the firewater containment systems is subject to detailed design, but the firewater containment systems will be designed to have a suitable capacity to contain the provisions of firewater in accordance with the requirements of NFP850 within the boundary of the installation.

All firewater containment systems will be design and installed in accordance with the requirements of PPG18 and CIRIA C736 in accordance with SEPA requirements.

# 2 Other information for application form

## 2.1 Raw materials

## 2.1.1 Types and amounts of raw materials

The main (>5 tonnes) raw materials which will be stored at the Facility are presented in Table 2, with indicative values for their annual tonnages. Information on the potential environmental impact of the primary raw materials is included in Table 3.

Material	CAS Number	Approxima te storage capacity and type	Estimated annual throughput [tonnes per annum] at design capacity	Description
Low sulphur fuel oil	68334-30-5	200 m <sup>3</sup> , tank	160	Auxiliary fuel for auxiliary firing and EDG
Ammonia Solution	1336-21-6	46 m <sup>3</sup> , tank	780	Ammonium hydroxide, estimated 25% concentration
Hydrated Lime	1305-62-0	200 m <sup>3</sup> , silo(s)	3,386	Calcium hydroxide, powdered
Activated carbon	7440-44-0	65 m³, silo	45	Powdered
Boiler water treatment chemicals (hydrochloric acid, caustic soda)	N/A	Various	<50 tonnes	Solids and liquids including salts, oxygen scavenger, corrosion inhibitor, acid/alkali

 Table 2:
 Types and amounts of raw materials and consumption rate at design load

Product	Chemical Composition	Estimated annual	Relative impact (%)		Impact Potential	Comments	
		consumption (tpa)	Air	Land	Water		
Low sulphur fuel oil	Low sulphur (<0.1%)	160	100	0	0	Low impact	Auxiliary fuel for start-up and shutdown of the Facility and for use in the EDG.
Ammonia solution	NH₄(OH)	1,320	100	0	0	Low impact	Reacts with oxides of nitrogen to form nitrogen, carbon dioxide and water vapour. Any unreacted ammonia (a chemical intermediate) is released to atmosphere at low concentrations.
Lime	Ca(OH) <sub>2</sub>	3,400	0	100	0	Low impact	Lime is injected and removed with the APC residues at the bag filter and disposed of as hazardous waste (or alternatively treated and recovered) at a suitable licensed facility.
Activated Carbon	C	45	0	100	0	Low impact	Injected carbon is removed with the APC residues at the bag filter and disposed of as hazardous waste (or alternatively treated and recovered) at a suitable licensed facility.
Boiler water Treatment Chemicals	Oxygen scavenger, pH control, descaler etc	<50	0	0	100	Low impact	E.g. hydrochloric acid, caustic soda, boiler water dosing chemicals will be used for the demineralized water production and for the treatment of the boiler feedwater. Specific substances to be confirmed during detailed design of the water treatment plant.

 Table 3:
 Raw materials and their effect on the environment

Various other materials may be used in small quantities (<5 tonnes per annum) for the operation and maintenance of the Facility. These could include, but not be limited to, the following:

- 1. hydraulic oils and silicone-based oils, greases, insulants;
- 2. isolation media within electrical switchgear;
- 3. refrigerant gases for the air conditioning systems;
- 4. glycol/antifreeze for cooling;
- 5. ignition, test and calibration gases;
- 6. oxyacetylene, TIG, MIG welding gases; and
- 7. CO<sub>2</sub>, foam and other fire-extinguishing agents.

These will be supplied to standard specifications offered by main suppliers. All chemicals will be handled in accordance with COSHH Regulations as part of the quality assurance procedures and full product material safety data sheets will be available on-site. The air conditioning systems will not contain any substances which are known ozone depleting substances and will comply with the European Union Ozone Depleting Substances Regulations.

Periodic reviews of all materials used will be made in the light of new products and developments. Any significant change of material, where it may have an impact on the environment, will not be made without firstly assessing the impact and seeking approval from SEPA.

The Operator will maintain a detailed inventory of raw materials used on-site and have procedures for the regular review of new developments in raw materials.

## 2.1.2 Reagent delivery and storage

A range of chemical substances and hazardous materials associated with the process, including ammonia solution, lime and activated carbon, will be stored on site. These materials will be stored in accordance with current guidance. All liquid chemicals (including ammonia) will be stored in controlled areas, with secondary containment facilities having a volume of 110% of the stored capacity.

Ammonia solution will be stored within a tank in a dedicated storage area, with secondary containment such as bunding. Ammonia will be delivered in sealed tankers and off-loaded to the ammonia storage tank via a standard hose connection. The delivery will be supervised by site operatives trained in unloading practices. Regular inspection of the unloading equipment will be undertaken.

Spillages will be prevented by good operating procedures such as high tank level alarms or trips. In addition, unloading activities will only be undertaken on areas of hardstanding with contained drainage. All ammonia handling will be undertaken on areas located on concrete hardstanding with enclosed drainage. Therefore, any spills or leaks will be contained on-site, minimising the release of pollutants off-site. These measures will ensure that fugitive emissions of ammonia are contained.

The ammonia tank will be well-designed and be bunded to 110% of the tank's capacity; therefore, minimising the risk of any fugitive emissions from leaks whilst the ammonia is stored within the tank. Good design of pipework and regular preventative maintenance will allow for the safe transfer of ammonia into the SNCR system.

Lime and activated carbon, used within the flue gas treatment process, will be stored within separate storage silos located within the building adjacent to the flue gas treatment system. The storage of these reagents will be in dedicated steel silos with equipment for filling from a tanker

through a sealed pipe work system. The lime and activated carbon will be transported pneumatically from the delivery vehicle to the correct storage silo. The delivery driver will be responsible for connecting the filling pipe to the silo/tanker. During unloading, the extraction coupling of the delivery vehicle will be coupled to the pneumatic filling pipe of the silo using a flexible hose and fed into the silo by means of the truck compressor. The unloading operation is completed when the full contents of the truck have been transferred to the silo, or when the maximum filling level is reached in the silo. Exhaust air will be de-dusted using a fabric filter located at the top of the silo – cleaning of the filter will be done automatically with compressed air after filling operations, with the filter inspected regularly for leaks. Silos will also be fitted with high-level alarms. Lime and activated carbon will be dosed into the flue gas treatment process with separate dosing controls.

Fuel oil will be used on site for the start-up and auxiliary support burners and will be stored in a dedicated storage tank with suitable secondary containment. Fuel oil will be unloaded/refilled on an area with contained drainage. During unloading any run-off from within the refuelling area will be diverted to a dedicated sump.

Boiler make-up water will be supplied from an onsite demineralisation water treatment plant. Boiler water treatment chemicals will be used to control water hardness, pH and scaling and will be delivered in sealed containers and stored in an area with suitable secondary containment (e.g. bunding) within the water treatment room.

Various maintenance materials (oils, greases, insulants, antifreezes, welding and firefighting gases etc.) will be stored in an appropriate manner. Any gas bottles on-site will be kept secure in dedicated area(s).

Deliveries of all chemicals will be unloaded and transferred to suitable storage facilities. Areas and facilities for the storage of chemicals and liquid hazardous materials will be situated within secondary containment, such as bunds. Secondary containment facilities will have capacity to contain whichever is the greater of 110% of the tank capacity or 25% of the total volume of materials being stored, in case of failure of the storage systems.

Tanker off-loading of fuel oil and chemicals will take place within areas where the drainage is contained with the appropriate capacity to contain a spill during delivery. This may include measures such as areas of hardstanding with falls to a gully and/or sump.

## 2.1.3 Raw materials and reagents selection

#### 2.1.3.1 Acid gas abatement

There are several reagents available for acid gas abatement. Sodium Hydroxide (NaOH) or a limebased reagent (CaO, CA(OH)<sub>2</sub> or CaCO<sub>3</sub>) can be used in a wet FGT system with the addition of water. Hydrated lime (Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub>) with water can be used in a semi-dry FGT system. Sodium bicarbonate (NaHCO<sub>3</sub>) or hydrated lime (Ca(OH)<sub>2</sub>) can be used in a dry FGT process.

The reagents for wet scrubbing and semi-dry abatement are not considered since these abatement techniques have been eliminated by the quantitative thermal treatment of waste technology assessment in section 2.6.3. The two alternative reagents for a dry system – lime (hydrated) and sodium bicarbonate - have therefore been assessed further.

The level of abatement that can be achieved by both reagents is similar. However, the level of reagent used (and therefore residue generation and disposal) is different and requires a full assessment following the methodology in Horizontal Guidance Note H1. The assessment is detailed in Appendix E and is summarised in the table below.

Item	Unit	NaHCO <sub>3</sub>	Ca(OH) <sub>2</sub>
Mass of reagent required	kg/h	109.0	67.0
Mass of residue generated	kg/h	84.0	85.0
Cost of reagent	£/tonne	155	110
Cost of residue disposal	£/tonne	186	155
Overall Cost	£/op.hr/kmol	32.5	20.5
Ratio of costs		1.58	-

Table 4:Acid gas abatement BAT data

Note: Data based on the abatement of one kmol of hydrogen chloride.

Whilst the use of sodium bicarbonate will lead to less residue than a lime-based system, this is significantly outweighed by the advantages of using lime as a reagent, as follows:

- Lime has higher removal rates of acid gases than sodium bicarbonate, which is reflected in the quantities of reagent consumed.
- Lime based APCr has a lower leaching rate than sodium bicarbonate based APCr. Therefore, there are greater waste management and recovery options available for lime based APCr, i.e. it can be recovered into substitute products displacing virgin materials. Barr is aware that currently the only 'available' option for the management of sodium bicarbonate APCr is disposal.
- The reaction temperature for lime systems match well with the optimum adsorption temperature for carbon, which is dosed at the same time.
- The lime system has a slightly lower global warming potential due to the reaction chemistry.
- The costs per kmol of hydrogen chloride abated are almost 58% higher for a sodium bicarbonate system.

Taking all the above into consideration, the use of lime is considered to represent BAT for the Facility.

#### 2.1.3.2 NOx abatement

NOx abatement systems can be operated with dry urea (prills), urea solution or ammonia solution. There are advantages and disadvantages with all options:

- urea is easier to handle than ammonia the handling and storage of ammonia can introduce an additional risk;
- ammonia tends to give rise to lower nitrous oxide formation than urea, hence urea may have a worse climate impact;
- dry urea can be contained in Flexible Intermediate Bulk Containers (FIBCs or 'big-bags'), whereas ammonia solution is usually stored in silos and delivered in tankers; and
- ammonia emissions (or 'slip') can occur with both reagents, but good control will limit this.

The sector guidance note on waste incineration (S5.01) considers all options as suitable for NOx abatement. It is proposed to use aqueous ammonia for the SNCR system, because the climate change impacts of urea outweigh the handling and storage issues associated with ammonia solution. These issues can be overcome by good design of the ammonia tanks and pipework and the use of suitable procedures for the delivery of ammonia. Taking this into consideration, the use of ammonia solution in the NOx abatement system is considered to represent BAT for the Facility.

#### 2.1.3.3 Abatement of volatiles

PAC is the only viable option to remove volatile metals, dioxins and furans by adsorption, and hence alternatives have not been considered.

#### 2.1.3.4 Auxiliary fuel

As stated in Article 50 (3) of the Industrial Emissions Directive:

"The auxiliary burner shall not be fed with fuels which can cause higher emissions than those resulting from the burning of gas oil as defined in Article 2(2) of Council Directive 1999/32/EC of 26 April 1999 relating to a reduction in the sulphur content of certain liquid fuels (1) OJ L 121, 11.5.1999, p. 13., liquefied gas or natural gas."

Therefore, as identified by the requirements of IED the only 'available' fuels that can be used for auxiliary firing are:

- 1. liquefied petroleum gas (LPG);
- 2. fuel oil (gas oil); or
- 3. natural gas.

Auxiliary burners firing on a well-managed waste combustion plant is only required intermittently, i.e. during start-up, shutdown and when the temperature in the combustion chamber falls to 850°C.

LPG is a flammable mixture of hydrocarbon gases. It is a readily available product and can be used for auxiliary firing. As LPG turns gaseous under ambient temperature and pressure, it is required to be stored in purpose-built pressure vessels. If there was a fire within the site, there would be a significant explosion risk from the combustion of flammable gases stored under pressure. Considering the location of the site to the A70 road, LPG is not considered to be a suitable auxiliary fuel for the Facility due to the explosion risk.

Natural gas can be used for auxiliary firing and is safer to handle than LPG. However, as stated previously, auxiliary firing will only be required intermittently. When firing, this requires large volumes of gas which would be needed to be supplied from a gas main within a reasonable distance from the Facility. Given the small overall gas consumption expected, limited site space and fuel oil having the dual benefit of being used for auxiliary firing and also for fuelling site mobile equipment, the use of natural gas is not considered to represent BAT for the Facility.

Whilst it is acknowledged that fuel oil is classed as flammable, it does not pose the same type of safety risks as those associated with LPG. A suitably sized low sulphur fuel oil tank can be easily installed to supply auxiliary fuel to the Facility. The combustion of fuel oil will lead to some emissions of sulphur dioxide, but these emissions will be minimised as far as reasonably practicable through the use of low sulphur fuel oil.

Taking the above into consideration, low sulphur fuel oil is considered to represent BAT for auxiliary firing at the Facility.

## 2.2 Incoming waste management

#### 2.2.1 Waste to be processed in the Facility

The plant will be used to recover energy from waste, with expected European Waste Catalogue (EWC) Codes which can be processed at the Facility as presented in Table 5.

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EWC Code	Description of Waste
Wastes from cardboard	wood processing and the production of panels and furniture, pulp, paper and
02 01	Wastes from agriculture, horticulture, aquaculture, forestry, hunting and fishing
02 01 03	Plant-tissue waste
02 06	Wastes from the baking and confectionery industry
02 06 01	Materials unsuitable for consumption or processing
Wastes from cardboard	wood processing and the production of panels and furniture, pulp, paper and
03 01	Wastes from wood processing and the production of panels and furniture
03 01 01	Waste bark and cork
03 01 05	sawdust, shavings, cuttings, wood, particle board and veneer other than those mentioned in 03 01 04
03 03	Wastes from pulp, paper and cardboard production and processing
03 03 07	Mechanically separated rejects from pulping of wastepaper and cardboard
Wastes from	the leather, fur and textile industries
04 02	Wastes from the textile industry
04 02 10	Organic matter from natural products for example grease, wax
04 02 21	Wastes from unprocessed textile fibres
04 02 22	Wastes from processed textile fibres
Waste packag otherwise spe	ging; absorbents, wiping cloths, filter materials and protective clothing not ecified
15 01	Packaging (including separately collected municipal packaging waste)
15 01 01	Paper and cardboard packaging which is contaminated and would otherwise be destined for landfill
15 01 03	Wooden packaging which is contaminated and would otherwise be destined for landfill
15 01 05	Composite packaging
15 01 06	Mixed packaging which is contaminated and would otherwise be destined for landfill
15 01 09	Textile packaging
Construction	and demolition wastes (including excavated soil from contaminated sites)
17 02	Wood, glass and plastic
17 02 01	Wood which is contaminated and would otherwise be destined for landfill
	waste management facilities, off-site wastewater treatment plants and the of water intended for human consumption and water for industrial use
19 02	Wastes from physical/chemical treatments of waste (including dechromatation,
	decyanidation, neutralisation)

Table 5: Expected EWC codes to be processed in the Facility

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EWC Code	Description of Waste
19 05	Wastes from aerobic treatment of solid wastes
19 05 01	Non-composted fraction of municipal and similar wastes
19 05 02	Non-composted fraction of animal and vegetable waste
19 05 03	Off-specification compost
19 06	wastes from anaerobic treatment of waste
19 06 04	digestate from anaerobic treatment of municipal waste
19 06 06	digestate from anaerobic treatment of animal and vegetable waste
19 12	Wastes from the mechanical treatment of waste (for example sorting, crushing, compacting, pelletising) not otherwise specified
19 12 01	Paper and cardboard which is contaminated and would otherwise be destined for landfill
19 12 07	Wood other than that mentioned in 19 12 06
19 12 08	Textiles
19 12 10	Combustible waste (refuse derived fuel)
19 12 12	Other wastes (including mixtures of materials) from mechanical treatment of wastes other than those mentioned in 19 12 11
-	astes (household waste and similar commercial, industrial and institutional uding separately collected fractions
20 01	Separately collected fractions (except 15 01)
20 01 01	Paper and cardboard (rejects from materials recovery plants only)
20 01 10	Clothes
20 01 11	Textiles
20 01 38	Wood other than that mentioned in 20 01 37 (rejects from materials recovery plants only)
20 01 39	Plastics (rejects from materials recovery plants only)
20 02	Garden and park wastes (including cemetery waste)
20 02 01	Biodegradable waste
20 03	Other municipal wastes
20 03 01	Mixed municipal waste
	Wixed municipal waste
20 03 02	Waste from markets

The operator will develop acceptance procedures for all wastes delivered to the Facility. The aim of these procedures will be to ensure that only the wastes which the Facility is permitted to receive are received at the Facility. Within the scope of the waste acceptance procedures, periodic inspections of the waste will be undertaken prior to transfer into the waste bunker.

In respect of wastes provided under EWC code 20 03 01:

1. Where, the waste is from a commercial source, non-ferrous metals and hard plastics will have been recovered at source. Therefore, the waste will not require any further treatment in accordance with the Thermal Treatment of Waste Guidelines.

2. Where the waste is from a household source, then it is deemed that it has not undergone pretreatment. As such any supplier that provides household waste under a 20 03 code will be required to provide evidence to Barr, in the form of a copy of the letter signed by the Head of Regulatory Services for that region, that the Pre-Treatment Practicability Test has been undertaken and that further treatment is not required. In addition, Barr will require that any supplier wishing to supply household waste that does not require pre-treatment works with the Local Authority to provide periodic evidence to ensure that capture rates of non-ferrous metals and hard plastics remain consistent with the performance submitted as part of the PTP Test, this will most likely be in the form of recycling rates and/or compositional analysis where possible.

Checks will be made on the paperwork accompanying each delivery to ensure that only waste for which the Facility has been designed will be accepted. Where feasible, the weighbridge operator will undertake a visual inspection of waste to confirm it complies with the specifications of the waste transfer note (WTN).

## 2.2.2 Waste handling

#### 2.2.2.1 Waste acceptance and pre-acceptance procedures

Contracts will be held with waste treatment facilities and waste providers that will supply waste to the Facility. The contracts will ensure that the waste suppliers provide the waste in accordance with the fuel specification for the Facility.

Documented procedures for pre-acceptance and acceptance of all wastes will be developed prior to the commencement of operation of the waste treatment process, in accordance with the documented management systems for the Facility.

Procedures will be implemented on site to review incoming waste deliveries including inspecting the accompanying Waste Transfer Notes (WTN) at the weighbridge.

Periodic visual inspections of the waste will be undertaken to check the waste consignments against the agreed specifications – this may involve tipping a waste delivery onto the tipping hall floor for further inspection prior to processing.

In accordance with BAT 11 of the Final Draft Waste Incineration BREF, waste monitoring will be undertaken at the Facility as outlined in Section 2.7.2.

#### 2.2.2.2 Receiving waste

In accordance with the Indicative BAT requirements in SEPA's Guidance Note (S5.01), procedures for the receipt of waste will be developed which will include, but not be limited to ensuring that:

- A high standard of housekeeping will be maintained in all areas and suitable equipment will be
  provided and maintained to clean up spilled materials. Vehicles will be loaded and unloaded in
  designated areas provided with impermeable hard standing. These areas will have appropriate
  falls to the process water drainage system. Should a significant spillage occur which has the
  potential to contaminate the surface water drainage system, an isolation valve will prohibit the
  release of any contaminated effluent off-site.
- Fire-fighting measures will be designed in consultation with the Local Fire Officers, with particular attention paid to the waste storage and reception areas.

- Delivery and reception of waste will be controlled by a management system that will identify all risks associated with the reception of waste and shall comply with all legislative requirements, including statutory documentation.
- Incoming waste will be:
  - delivered in enclosed vehicles or other appropriate containers; and
  - unloaded in the enclosed waste reception area.
- Design of equipment, buildings and handling procedures will ensure there is insignificant dispersal of litter.
- Inspection procedures will be employed to ensure that any wastes which would prevent the Facility from operating in compliance with its PPC Permit are segregated and placed in a designated storage area pending transfer off-site.
- Further inspection will take place by the plant operatives during vehicle tipping and waste unloading.
- To minimise odour:
  - fast acting shutter doors will be provided on the tipping hall;
  - waste will be stored inside: i.e. within enclosed buildings to prevent odour release;
  - during shutdown, doors will limit odour spread whilst still allowing vehicle access;
  - following detailed design of the Facility, should it be deemed necessary, odour abatement techniques may be utilised);
  - the waste reception and tipping hall / waste bunker, will be kept under negative pressure by extracting air using an induced draft (ID) fan for use in the combustion process; and
  - procedures will be in place to divert waste away from the installation during shutdowns if deemed necessary.

Should unacceptable waste be identified within the waste bunker, it will be removed from the bunker for further inspection and quarantine, prior to transfer off-site to a suitable disposal/recovery facility. The location of the quarantine area will be subject to detailed design of the Facility; however, it is anticipated that it will be within the tipping hall.

The waste bunker will allow for back-loading of waste in the event of unplanned periods of prolonged shut-down, when the waste is unable to be treated. The crane maintenance arrangement can be used as a back-loading facility to remove any oversized items or non-combustible items identified within the waste bunker.

Any unacceptable waste will be rejected and stored in a designated area in the waste reception area. The management systems for the Facility will include procedures to control the inspection, storage and onward disposal of unacceptable waste. Unacceptable wastes could include items which are non-combustible, large/bulky items or items of hazardous waste. All unacceptable wastes will be loaded into a bulker or other appropriate vehicle for transfer off-site either to the producer of the waste or to a suitably licensed waste management facility. Certain unacceptable wastes will require specific action for safe storage and handling. The Environmental Management System (EMS) will also contain procedures for controlling the blending of waste types to avoid mixing of incompatible wastes.

## 2.2.3 Waste minimisation audit (Minimising the use of raw materials)

A number of specific techniques will be employed to minimise the generation of residues, focusing on the following:

1. feedstock homogeneity;

- 2. prevention of dioxin & furan reformation;
- 3. furnace conditions;
- 4. flue gas treatment control; and
- 5. waste management.

All of these techniques meet the Indicative BAT requirements from the Sector Guidance Note on Waste Incineration.

#### 2.2.3.1 Feedstock homogeneity

Improving feedstock homogeneity will improve the operational stability of the Facility, leading to reduced reagent use and reduced residue production. Waste will originate from a variety of sources and suppliers. The mixing incoming wastes within the waste bunker will improve the homogeneity of the waste input into the boiler. The mixing of waste within the bunker is standard practice at UK thermal treatment of waste plants and helps avoid the generation of hotspots and anaerobic conditions.

#### 2.2.3.2 Dioxin & Furan reformation

As identified within S5.01 and the Waste Incineration BREF, there are a number of BAT design considerations required for the furnace. The furnace has been designed to minimise the formation of dioxins and furans as follows:

- Slow rates of combustion gas cooling will be avoided via boiler design to ensure the residence time will be minimised in the critical cooling section and to avoid slow rates of combustion gas cooling to minimise the potential for de-novo formation of dioxins and furans.
- The gas residence time in the critical temperature range will be minimised by ensuring high gas velocities exist in these sections. The residence time and temperature profile (between 450 and 200°C) of the flue gas will be considered during the detailed design phase to ensure that dioxin formation is minimised throughout the process.
- It is reported in the guidance that the injection of ammonia compounds into the furnaces i.e. an SNCR NOx abatement system – inhibits dioxin formation and promotes their destruction. An SNCR system to abate emissions of NOx is considered to represent BAT for the Facility, refer to section 2.6.2.
- Activated carbon will be injected to enhance the capture of dioxins as well as heavy metals.
- Transfer surfaces would kept to a minimum, with temperatures around 170°C subject to other reaction considerations.
- Computational Fluidised Dynamics (CFD) will be applied to the design, where considered appropriate, to ensure gas velocities are in a range that negates the formation of stagnant pockets / low velocities. A copy of the CFD model for the proposed will be supplied to SEPA following detailed design and prior to commencement of commissioning. However, an example of a CFD report for a similar capacity boiler processing similar waste to that proposed for the Facility is presented in Appendix I.
- Minimising the volume in the critical cooling sections will ensure high gas velocities.
- Boundary layers of slow-moving gas along boiler surfaces will be prevented via design and a regular maintenance schedule to remove build-up of any deposits that may have occurred.

In accordance with BAT 30 of the Final BREF, the elements incorporated into the design of the Facility to reduce emissions of organic compounds including PCDD/F and PCBs are given in section 2.7.2.

#### 2.2.3.3 Furnace conditions

Furnace conditions will be optimised in order to minimise the quantity of residues arising for further disposal. In accordance with Article 50(1) of the Industrial Emissions Directive, burnout in the furnace will either reduce the Total Organic Carbon (TOC) content of the bottom ash to less than 3%; or Loss on Ignition (LOI) of the bottom ash to less than 5%, by optimising the waste feed rate and combustion air flows.

#### 2.2.3.4 Flue gas treatment control – acid gases

Close control of the flue gas treatment system will minimise the use of reagents and hence minimise the amount of APCr generated. The dosing rate for ammonia within the SNCR system will be optimised to minimise ammonia slip.

Lime usage will be minimised by trimming reagent dosing to accurately match the acid load using fast response upstream acid gas monitoring. The plant preventative maintenance regime for the Facility will include regular checks and calibration of the reagent dosing system to ensure optimum operation. Back-up feed systems will be provided to ensure no interruption in the lime dosing system. The bag filter is designed to build up a filter cake of unreacted acid gas reagent, which acts as a buffer during any minor interruptions in dosing.

Activated carbon dosing will be based on flue gas volume flow measurement. The activated carbon dosing screw speed frequency control responds automatically to the increase and decrease of flue gas volumes. Maintaining a steady concentration of activated carbon in the flue gas and consequently on the filter bags will maintain the adsorption rate for gaseous metals and dioxins.

Activated carbon and lime will be stored in separate silos. The feed rates for the activated carbon and lime dosing systems will have independent controls.

#### 2.2.3.5 Flue gas treatment control – NOx

The SNCR system will require the injection of ammonia solution, into the radiation zone of the boilers at several levels.

The first boiler pass is divided into several segments. Each segment consists of a distribution module and injection nozzles on several levels. The configuration of the nozzles makes it possible to achieve full-area coverage of the injection medium across the entire cross section of the radiation zone.

The optimal adjustment of the SNCR ammonia injection ensures the maximal NOx reduction through the SNCR system.

Following commissioning of the Facility it is proposed to submit to SEPA a report which describes the performance and optimisation of the SNCR system and combustion settings to minimise oxides of nitrogen (NOx) emissions within the emission limit values imposed by the PPC Permit.

#### 2.2.3.6 Waste management

Incinerator bottom ash (IBA) and APCr from the flue gas treatment system will not be mixed and will be transferred off-site as separate waste streams.

The procedures for handling of the wastes generated by the Facility will be in accordance with the Indicative BAT requirements in the SEPA Guidance Note S5.01, refer to section 2.2.2. The proposed arrangements for the management of residues produced by the Facility are presented in section 2.9.

#### 2.2.3.7 Waste charging

The Facility will meet the indicative BAT requirements outlined in SEPA Guidance Note S5.01 and the Waste Incineration BREF for waste charging and the specific requirements of the IED:

- The combustion control and feeding system will be fully in line with the requirements of the IED. The conditions within the furnace will be continually monitored to ensure that optimal conditions are maintained and that the BAT-AEL emission limits are not exceeded. Auxiliary burners fired with light fuel oil will be installed and will be used to maintain the temperature in the combustion chamber;
- The waste charging and feeding systems will be interlocked with the furnace conditions so that charging cannot take place when the temperatures drop below 850°C during operation, or during start-up prior to the temperature being raised to 850°C within the furnaces;
- In the event that emissions to atmosphere are in excess of an emission limit value (ELV), the operators will be required to prohibit the waste charging and feeding systems;
- The isolation doors that prevent the fire burning back up the chute will be double doors and/or have a water-cooling system, to prevent ignition of waste in contact with the outside of the door;
- Following loading into the feeding chutes by the grab, the waste will be transferred onto the grates by hydraulic powered feeding units;
- The backward flow of combustion gases and the premature ignition of waste will be prevented by keeping the chutes full of waste and by keeping the furnaces under negative pressure;
- A level detector will monitor the amount of waste in the feed chute and an alarm will be sounded if the fuel falls below the safe minimum level. Secondary air will be injected from nozzles in the wall of the furnace to control flame height and the direction of air and flame flow); and
- In a breakdown scenario, operations will be reduced or ceased as soon as practicable until normal operations can be restored.

The waste feed rate to the furnace will be controlled by the combustion control system. If there is an intermediate waste feed-stop, requiring the auxiliary burners to operate to maintain the operation of the Facility without entering shutdown, the flue gas treatment systems will remain in operation.

## 2.3 Water use

#### 2.3.1 Overview

The main use of water at the Facility will be to make up the water for the boilers (referred to as boiler feedwater). Other water-consuming processes include the ash quench and the SNCR system injection nozzles in the Facility. The following key points for the Facility should be noted:

- The Facility will consume approximately 2 tonnes per hour of water.
- The water system has been designed with two key objectives:
  - minimal process water discharge; and
  - minimal consumption of potable water discharge into the drainage systems.
- Where practicable, waste waters generated from the process will be reused/recycled within the process. These would be collected in an intermediate storage vessel (a wastewater pit) to ensure that an adequate water supply is available for the bottom ash discharger. Contaminated

process effluents will be treated to enable the treated water to be re-used within the ash quench system.

- The use of rainwater harvesting (e.g. for use within the ash quench and domestic facilities) will be examined during the detailed design of the Facility.
- Under 'normal operations', there will not be any process effluent discharged from the Facility. In the event that excess process effluents are generated, these will be discharged to sewer in accordance with a Trade Effluent Consent (subject to detailed design and agreements with the Sewerage Undertaker) or tankered off-site to a suitably licensed waste management facility.
- Most of the steam used in the turbine will be recycled as condensate.
  - The remainder will be lost as blowdown to prevent the build-up of sludge and chemicals, in addition to soot blowing, the ash quench system and flue-gas treatment.
  - Lost condensate will be replaced with high-quality boiler feedwater.
- Surface water run-off from external areas of hardstanding and roadways will be discharged into the on-site surface water drainage system via silt traps and oil interceptors where appropriate, prior to the attenuation storage systems. The attenuation storage, subject to detailed design, will restrict uncontaminated surface water runoff generated from building roofs and areas of hardstanding prior to discharge to the existing surface water drainage culvert.
- Firewater will be provided by an on-site water tank which is connected to the mains water supply.
- The Facility will be designed with separate process water, foul water and surface water drainage systems.

An indicative water flow diagram for the Facility is presented in Figure 2. A larger version of this drawing is included within Appendix A.

#### 2.3.1.1 Potable and Amenity Water

Water for drinking supplies for the offices and welfare facilities will come from a potable water supply. The quantity of this water is expected to be small compared to the other water uses on site.

At the Facility, wastewater from domestic uses, such as showers, toilets, and mess facilities, will be discharged to foul sewer.

#### 2.3.1.2 Process Water and Process Effluents

Process water for the Facility will be supplied by the mains potable water system, the water treatment plant, or the recirculation of used water dependent on usage.

Water for firefighting will come from the mains supply and be stored in dedicated firewater storage facilities at the Facility.

Boiler feedwater will be used to compensate for boiler blow down losses. Boiler feedwater will be provided by an on-site water treatment plant, fed by mains water and utilising ion exchange resins to produce high-quality demineralised water. The water treatment plant will be designed to continuously supply high-quality treated water for use in the boiler.

Process effluents from the Facility will be collected in a wastewater pit. Effluent collected in the wastewater pit will be re-used in the process, likely in the ash quench system. Under normal operating conditions, wastewater will be generated from the following processes:

- 1. effluent from the water treatment plant;
- 2. process effluent collected in site drainage systems (e.g. boiler blowdown);

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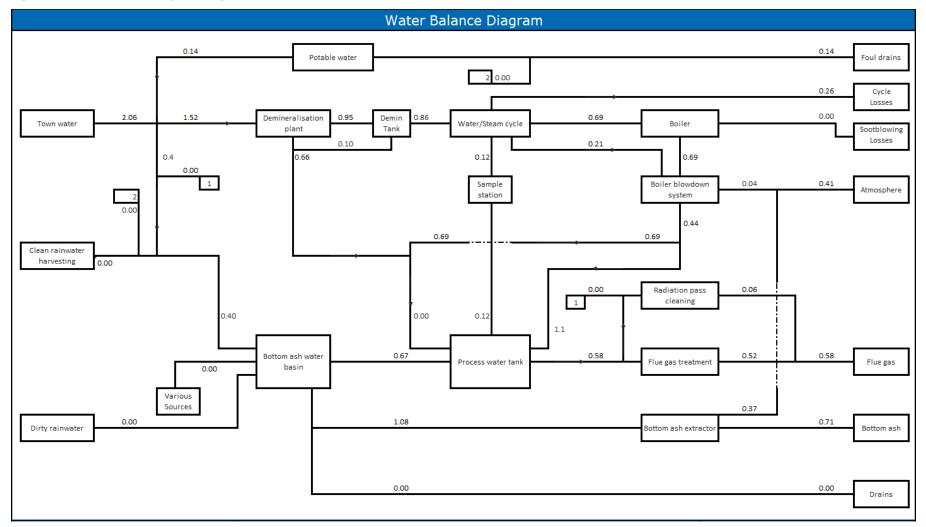
- 3. condensate from the condensate tank;
- 4. effluent generated through washing and maintenance procedures; and
- 5. water run-off collected from the bottom ash quench.

The wastewater pit will provide acid dosing for pH adjustment and settlement of process effluents so that it can be re-used within the ash quench.

Should any excess process effluents be generated from the Facility, it is anticipated that these will be discharged to sewer in accordance with a Trade Effluent Consent (subject to detailed design of the Facility and discussions with the Sewerage Undertaker).

Washdown water consumption will be minimised using trigger controls on all wash hoses.

Figure 2: Indicative water flow diagram



Design Data			Remarks	Project Details		
Thermal Input	54.7	$\mathrm{MW}_{\mathrm{th}}$	All flows in t/h unless otherwise stated	Client	IONA Capital and Barr Environmental Ltd.	
Waste Throughput	18.8	t/h	All given values are expected values and are giv period	Project title	Killoch ERF	
Ash Content Waste	19.79%	%	Calculation of cooling water flow for blowdown is	s based on the following assumptions:	Project number	3179
Water	Balance		- Temperature of cooling water 15°	с	De	sign Data
Mass flow in	2.06	t/h	- Temperature after cooling 90%	с	Author	SKN
Mass flow out	2.09	t/h			Date	14-Oct-20
Error	-0.03	t/h			Revision	1

## 2.4 Emissions

The source of point source emissions from the Facility are presented in Table 6.

Table 6:Proposed emission points

Emission Point Reference	Source
A1	ERF main stack
A2	Odour control stack
A3	Emergency diesel generator exhaust
A4	Diesel fire pump
S1	Surface water drainage system
S2	Treated domestic/foul effluent

### 2.4.1 Point source emissions to air

The full list of proposed emission limits for atmospheric emissions from emission point A1 is shown in the table below.

 Table 7:
 Proposed emission limit values (ELVs)

Parameter	Units	Half Hour Average	Daily Average	Periodic Limit
Emission Points A1				
Particulate matter	mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>	30	5	
VOCs as Total Organic Carbon (TOC)	mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>	20	10	
Hydrogen chloride	mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>	60	6	
Carbon monoxide	mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>	150 <sup>1</sup>	50	
Sulphur dioxide	mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>	200	30	
Oxides of nitrogen (NO and NO <sub>2</sub> expressed as NO <sub>2</sub> )	mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>	400	100	
Ammonia	mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>		15	
Hydrogen fluoride	mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>			1
Cadmium & thallium and their compounds (total)	mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>			0.02
Mercury and its compounds	mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>			0.02
Sb, As, Pb, Cr, Co, Cu, Mn, Ni and V and their compounds (total)	mg/Nm <sup>3</sup>			0.3
Dioxins & furans	ng I-TEQ /Nm <sup>3</sup>			0.04
Dioxin & furan-like PCBs	ng WHO- TEQ/Nm <sup>3</sup>			0.06

Parameter	Units	Half Hour Average	Daily Average	Periodic Limit		
Notes:						
All expressed at 11% oxygen in dry flue gas at standard temperature and pressure.						
<sup>1</sup> Averaging period for carbon mono	xide is 95%	of all 10-minute a	verages in any	24 hour		
period.						

The BAT Reference Document on Waste Incineration (herein referred to as the Waste Incineration BREF) and the European Union Commission Implementing Decision (EU) 2019/2010 dated 12 November 2019 (establishing the best available techniques (BAT) conclusions, under Directive 2010/75/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council, for waste incineration) were published in December 2019. Therefore, in accordance with the Waste Incineration BAT Conclusions, the Facility will be required to comply with the BAT-AELs, for a 'new' facility, from commencement of operation. The UK Regulators are currently consulting on a BREF Implementation Plan, which sets out the UK's approach to the requirements for BREF compliance. In accordance with this consultation, the emission limits being applied for are aligned with the upper end of the BAT-AEL ranges for a 'new' facility. However, SEPA have indicated that the daily NOx ELV for the Facility will be set at 100 mg/m<sup>3</sup> rather than the upper end of the BAT-AEL range, which is given as 120 mg/m<sup>3</sup>.

## 2.4.2 Fugitive emissions to air

In addition to the point source emissions to air, there will be potential fugitive emissions of dust from waste storage areas, and the refilling of dry raw materials, such as silos.

#### 2.4.2.1 Waste handling and storage

Waste handling and storage will be undertaken in enclosed waste reception areas. The incoming waste will be tipped into and stored within an enclosed waste bunker. The waste reception area will be held under negative pressure, to prevent the release of litter and dusts.

All waste will be delivered to the Facility in enclosed and contained waste delivery vehicles, which will contain any fugitive emissions from the delivery of waste to the Facility

Primary combustion air for the Facility will be drawn from the waste bunker area to maintain negative pressure in the waste bunker area and fed into the combustion chamber beneath the grate. Additional bunker management procedures, and the regular cleaning down of the waste reception areas, will minimise the release of litter and dusts.

#### 2.4.2.2 Silos

Silos will be fitted with bag filter protection where appropriate, to prevent the uncontrolled release of dusts during refilling. Maintenance procedures will be developed for routine inspection and testing of the bag filters.

The lime and activated carbon silos will be filled by bulk tanker, offloaded pneumatically with displaced air vented through a reverse pulse jet filter. The delivery driver will be responsible for connecting the filling pipe to the silo/tanker, with the site operatives responsible for checking that the loading chute is closed following unloading. The silos will be fitted with high-level alarms and equipped with a vent fitted at the top with a fabric filter. Filter residues will be returned to the silo(s), with cleaning of the filter done automatically with compressed air after the filling operation. Filters will be inspected regularly for leaks.

#### 2.4.2.3 IBA handling and storage

Hot bottom ash from the combustion process is quenched using water prior to storage. The transfer of IBA from the combustion process to its dedicated storage area will be undertaken in an enclosed building. The quenching and cooling of the IBA enables its safe removal and minimises the generation of dust and odour. The ash will be maintained wet from quenching to prevent the fugitive release of any dust emissions off site. If possible, moisture content of the IBA will be optimised to minimise dust release. The IBA will be stored in a dedicated ash hall prior to transfer off-site for recovery or disposal.

#### 2.4.2.4 APCr handling and storage

The APCr silos will be unloaded by a chute system. The height of discharge will be limited where possible. Dusty air from the unloading of silos will be extracted and vented via bag filters fitted to prevent the release of dusts from silos unloading operations. The unloading chute from the APCr silo will be designed with an inner core (used for the unloading of APCr from the silo) and an outer 'bellow' which will extract displaced air from the silo and pass it through the filter before subsequently venting the air back into the silo. This type of arrangement is typically used on EfW plants, as well as numerous other applications for unloading dusty materials from one vessel to another.

All APCr unloading operations will be supervised by site operatives and undertaken on areas of hardstanding, with any run-off contained in the process water drainage systems. The site operatives will assist the delivery vehicle driver in positioning the tanker in a suitable location beneath the unloading chute. The delivery driver will be responsible for connecting the unloading chute to the tanker. Following completion of unloading, the site operatives will be responsible for checking that the loading chute is closed following unloading.

The APCr unloading area will have a dedicated drainage system, with all runoff/leachate collected for reuse as process water within the Facility. The APCr unloading area will not be enclosed; however, the measures listed above will ensure that potential fugitive emissions of dust from the unloading process will be contained within the tanker/silo.

#### 2.4.3 Point source emissions to water

There will be no emissions of process effluent from the Facility discharged to water.

Uncontaminated surface water run-off from buildings, roadways and external areas of hardstanding will be discharged into the surface water drainage system, via silt traps and oil interceptors where appropriate. The surface water drainage system will discharge into attenuation storage prior to discharging to the existing surface water culvert which directs the surface water flows from the development to the south east, across the A70 Highway and into the watercourse within the agricultural fields to the south of the site. In the case of a fire or a significant spill occurring at the Facility, an isolation valve will prohibit the discharge of potentially contaminated water into the aquatic environment.

The discharge point to the surface water culvert is shown in the Emission Point drawing presented in Appendix A.

It is understood that the surface water drainage would be regulated by a separate license issued by SEPA under the Water Environment (Controlled Activities) (Scotland) Regulations 2011 (CAR). A separate application will be submitted to SEPA for approval.

in accordance with the CAR Regulations and SEPA's Land Use Planning System Guidance note, 'Planning Advice on Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDS)', the surface water drainage design includes the recommended treatment train approach. The treatment train proposed for the Facility's surface water runoff is to provide three levels of treatment for the hardstanding areas, two levels of treatment to the roads and car parking and one level of treatment to roof areas.

# 2.4.4 Point source emissions to sewer

During normal operation, there will be no discharges of process effluents from the Facility – these will be reused, for example in the ash quench. A waste-water pit will be used to store liquid effluent and ensure that an adequate water supply is available for the bottom ash discharger. In the event that there are excess effluents generated which cannot be re-used within the process they will either be tankered and transferred off-site for treatment in a suitably licensed facility or discharged to sewer subject to a Trade Effluent consent being obtained from Scottish Water. Any constraints on the quality of effluent to be discharged to sewer to be imposed by Scottish Water through the Trade Effluent will be confirmed to SEPA prior to commencement of operations.

# 2.4.5 Contaminated water

All chemicals will be stored in an appropriate manner incorporating the use of suitable secondary and other measures (such as acid and alkali resistant coatings) to ensure appropriate containment and tertiary abatement measures. This may include areas of hardstanding with kerbed containment, to prevent any potential spills from causing pollution of the ground/groundwater and surface water. The potential for accidents, and associated environmental impacts, is therefore limited.

Adequate quantities of spillage absorbent materials will be made available at easily accessible location(s), where chemicals are stored. A site drainage plan, including the location of process and surface water drainage will be made available on-site following completion of detailed design.

Process water drains within the Facility will drain to a process water tank/dirty water pit or similar prior to re-use within the process, for example within the ash quench. In the unlikely event that excess process effluents are generated, it is currently proposed to either tanker these off site for treatment at a suitably licensed facility or discharge these to sewer in accordance with a Trade Effluent Consent. However, this is subject to discussions with the Sewerage Undertaker and detailed design of the Facility. Any spillage that has the potential to cause environmental harm or to leave the installation will be reported to the site management and recorded in accordance with installations inspection, audit and reporting procedures. The relevant regulatory authorities (SEPA / Health and Safety Executive) will be informed if required in accordance with the Facility's documented management procedures.

In accordance with the emergency response procedures which will be developed for the Facility, spillages will be reported to the site management and a record of the incident will be made. The relevant authorities (SEPA / Health and Safety Executive) will be informed if spillages/leaks are significant. The effectiveness of the emergency response procedures will be subject to Management Review and will be revised and updated as appropriate following any major spillages.

Prior to the commencement of commissioning, quality assurance (QA) checks will be undertaken for the site drainage systems (including process areas) and hardstanding to confirm their integrity. Water stop joints will be included for within the design to ensure the integrity of all areas of hardstanding.

# 2.4.6 Noise

The design layout and design measures have been considered to minimise the noise impacts associated with the design of the Facility.

Most of the 'noisy' plant items at the Facility will be installed within the main building and equipped with appropriate noise insulation, if necessary. The air-cooled condensers will be designed to reduce noise and tonal components. If steam bursting discs or pressure relief valves release externally to the building they will be fitted with appropriate silencers. Doors to the building will be kept closed when not in use in order to prevent noise emissions, with doors to the tipping hall and turbine acoustically rated to appropriate levels.

Vehicle movements at night will be limited where possible and vehicles will be fitted with non-tonal reversing alarms. A one-way system will be in place for HGVs and waste delivery vehicles will only reverse once inside the tipping hall. Regular maintenance of plant items will be undertaken in accordance with preventative maintenance procedures.

Any mobile plant to be used on-site will be operated and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, whilst complying with the latest standards including those on noise emissions.

Noise level checks may be carried out regularly in operational areas where high noise levels may be present, with early warning of increasing noise levels resulting in a noise reduction or mitigation program.

A noise assessment for the Facility is presented in Appendix C. This includes further details on the noise modelling undertaken for the Facility.

There are many aspects associated with noise mitigation which need to be considered, including the following:

- general approach and experience of the Technology Provider;
- tonal noise;
- low frequency noise;
- noise associated with operational emergency steam relief and commissioning steam venting; and
- general design measures.

Plant areas which contain higher than ambient noise sources (e.g. the Turbine Hall, Boiler and Flue Gas Treatment rooms) contain a significant number of individual items of process plant. Trying to abate noise from all of them independently is impracticable, and creates problems with temperature control, access for online operational maintenance, routine observation and ventilation requirements which further limits attenuation at source. Therefore, suitable and efficient layouts and design solutions will be employed, including acoustically designed plant rooms, which will limit noise emissions to the acceptable levels needed comply with all relevant regulations.

The following sections present details on noise mitigation measures proposed for the Facility.

# 2.4.6.1 Principal noise sources and mitigation measures

The principal operational noise sources from the Facility will be as follows:

- flue gas treatment area;
- air cooled condenser unit (ACC);

- stack outlet;
- ID Fan (enclosed);
- boiler hall;
- turbine hall;
- waste bunker;
- waste reception area or 'tipping hall' (previously MRF reception hall);
- IBA area; and
- vehicle movements on site.

The principal noise sources and mitigation measures assumed in the noise modelling for each of these areas are set out in the subsequent sections. As the design specification for internal and external plant has yet to be finalised, the noise assessment presented within Appendix C utilises operational noise impact information from a similar sized energy recovery facility. For the purposes of the assessment, it has been assumed that the majority of the identified sound sources would operate continuously and simultaneously, during both the daytime and night-time periods. However, at night it has been assumed that there would be no reception of waste, hence it has been assumed that there will be no on-site vehicle movements for the assessment of night-time operational sound.

The noise assessment concluded that, for the closest residential receptors, the operational noise impact from the Facility will result in a negligible impact. Therefore, no mitigation measures are proposed other than those already embedded within the design of the Facility. Specific design mitigation measures will be subject to detailed design of the Facility, but the following sections describe general measures and techniques.

### Flue gas treatment building

Noise source: Flue gas treatment building

Type: Daytime and night-time operation and general noise, no tonal or impulse noise emanating from the building enclosure. A sound level of 85 dB was assumed in the modelling.

Noise mitigation: The proposed noise mitigation measures for the FGT building are subject to detailed design of the Facility. However, the mitigation measures are expected to include an enclosed building using acoustic cladding (walls and roof) with acoustic louvres to mitigate the risk of noise `break-out'. The roof and façades of the main buildings will be constructed from insulated composite profiled cladding with a sound reduction index (RW) of 24dB. Further details on the building construction materials and the associated sound reduction indices assumed within the noise model are presented within Appendix C.

### Air cooled condenser unit (ACC)

Noise source: Air Cooled Condenser fans

Type: Day and night-time operation (and broad band noise), with no tonal or impulse noise based on other operational sites in the UK. A sound level of 92 dB was assumed in the modelling.

Noise mitigation: The proposed noise mitigation measures for the ACCs are subject to detailed design of the Facility. However, the mitigation measures could include wind screens, low noise fans, silencers for bypass etc.

### Stack outlet (and ID fan)

Noise source: ID fan and Stack

Type: Day and night-time operation. General broadband noise – no tonal noise is anticipated, however other characteristic sound from the stack has the potential to be readily distinctive against residual sound levels at night. A sound level of 87 dB was assumed in the modelling.

Noise Mitigation: The proposed noise mitigation measures for the ID fan are subject to detailed design of the Facility. It is expected that the ID fan will be enclosed and located within the FGT building which will be acoustically clad. It is anticipated that the stack will be fitted with a dedicated silencer. The stack will be designed to ensure that the flue gas flow rate is approximately 15 m/s but always less than 30 m/s (beyond which, in some circumstances, there can be a 'whistle' from the top of the stack).

### **Boiler hall**

Noise source: Boiler Hall plant

Type: Daytime and night-time, general noise is not tonal or impulsive. A sound level of 84 dB was assumed in the modelling.

Noise mitigation: The proposed noise mitigation measures for the boiler hall is subject to detailed design of the Facility, however it may include silencers on steam vents and pressure relief valves and only undertaking operational tests during daytime periods. The boiler hall will be an enclosed building using acoustic cladding (walls and roof) with acoustic louvres to mitigate the risk of noise `break-out'. The roof and façades of the main buildings will be constructed from insulated composite profiled cladding with a sound reduction index (RW) of 24dB assumed within the noise assessment. Further details on the building construction materials and the associated sound reduction indices assumed within the noise model are presented within Appendix C.

# Turbine Hall

Noise source: Turbine Hall including generator within the hall.

Type: Day and night-time operation, potential tonal and general noise. Low frequency sound has been considered within the noise assessment and it was concluded that there will be no significant low frequency sound transmission through the building structure and that the proposed mitigation measures will provide the required level of attenuation for low frequency noise transmission. A sound level of 95 dB was assumed in the modelling.

Noise mitigation: The proposed noise mitigation measures for the turbine hall are subject to detailed design of the Facility. However, the mitigation measures are expected to include constructing the turbine hall with materials which have sound reducing properties, such as concrete, or utilising acoustic cladding (walls and roof) to mitigate the risk of noise `break-out'. Further noise mitigation measures for the turbine hall may include acoustic doors (providing noise attenuation) kept shut except during maintenance or emergency occurrences, the use of a turbine table with mounts to reduce vibration and the location of the turbine hall providing further noise screening.

### Waste bunker and waste reception area/tipping hall

Noise source: Tipping Hall with mobile plant and HGVs operating inside.

Noise type: Potential intermittent impulse noise offloading during daytime only, reversing alarms. A sound level of 80 dB was assumed in the modelling for the waste reception area, and 85dB for the waste bunker.

Noise mitigation: Enclosed building using acoustic cladding (walls and roof) with acoustic louvres to mitigate the risk of noise `break-out'. The roof and façades of the main buildings would be constructed from insulated composite profiled cladding with a sound reduction index (RW) of 24dB assumed within the noise assessment.

The fast-acting automatic doors for the tipping hall and roller shutter doors are understood to provide 10 dB and 18 dB noise attenuation respectively. Further details on the building construction materials and the roller shutter doors/louvre systems and associated sound reduction indices assumed within the noise model are presented within Appendix C.

#### Bottom ash handling building

Noise source: Bottom Ash Storage

Type: Noise from conveyors generating low-level broad-spectrum noise levels which will not be tonal or impulsive (broadband only). A sound level of 75 dB was assumed in the modelling.

Noise mitigation: Enclosed building using acoustic cladding (walls and roof) with acoustic louvres to mitigate the risk of noise `break-out'. The roof and façades of the main buildings would be constructed from insulated composite profiled cladding with a sound reduction index (RW) of 24dB assumed within the noise assessment. Further details on the building construction materials and associated sound reduction indices assumed within the noise model are presented within Appendix C.

### Vehicle movement on site

Noise Source: Staff vehicles, HGV movements (such as turning/reversing), residual waste delivery, IBA export, chemical delivery, APCr export.

Type: Daytime operation. General vehicle noise. Intermittent during daytime. Various sound power levels up to 108 dB were assumed in the noise modelling depending on the type of vehicle.

Noise Mitigation: The noise assessment concluded no significant noise impacts were anticipated due to vehicle movements within the site. Therefore, no mitigation measures specific to vehicle noise are considered necessary. However, it should be noted that the Facility has been designed with a mostly circular vehicle access route around the perimeter of the Facility to minimise reversing and consequent reversing alarms during the delivery of residual waste and reagents and during the removal of residues.

# 2.4.6.2 Tonal noise

As detailed in section 2.4.6.1, the Facility will be designed to minimise tonal noise.

### 2.4.6.3 Low frequency noise

Low frequency noise generation is typically associated with wind turbines due to the slow rotation speed of long turbine blades passing their supporting masts in an outdoor location, and is not typically a problem associated with steam turbines.

A steam turbine operates at high steam pressures and is fully enclosed within a casing, rotating at 3,000 rpm to be synchronous with the grid frequency at 50 Hz. All moving components and blades are enclosed and shrouded, giving rise to limited low and high frequency noise given the speed of rotation. In addition, the turbine will be located at high level on a turbine table or similar with the turbine hall itself acoustically clad and designed to limit noise transmission. In this way, it is possible to achieve acceptable working noise levels within the Turbine Hall at all times, potentially avoiding the need for ear defenders or other personal protective equipment (PPE). The noise spectra from a steam turbine are anticipated to have higher frequency components and any noise mitigation is automatically achieved by thermally insulating the steam turbine casing.

Steam turbines are not a noise concern for most thermal power plants. In contrast, the noise associated with the ACC unit or ID fans can present noise sources because of their outdoor location

generating (on occasion) low frequency spectra. However, the mitigation measures described in section 2.4.6.1 will reduce the noise impact of the Facility from these components.

Nevertheless, the noise assessment presented within Appendix C takes into consideration low frequency noise by analysing measurements from the turbine and generator within the turbine hall of a reference facility. Although a prominent tone at a certain frequency is identified, there is no significant low frequency sound transmission through the building structure to measurements taken outside the turbine hall. It is assumed that the Facility will have a similar façade to the reference facility and is therefore concluded that the required level of attenuation can be incorporated to mitigate any potential for low frequency noise transmission.

The emergency diesel generator will rotate at high speed and will therefore generate high frequency noise. The emergency diesel generator will be isolated for safety reasons and located in its own dedicated enclosure.

# 2.4.6.4 Noise associated with operational emergency steam relief and commissioning steam purging

Steam purging (or "steam blowing") is a critical hot commissioning activity that occurs once in the lifetime of the plant following first energisation of the plant and following chemical passivation of the boiler internals. Its purpose is to "shock" and remove all internal piping corrosion and scale deposits between the boiler and the steam turbine inlet. The steam purge is a cyclical process of pressuring the boiler at high temperature and pressure. The steam is released in an uncontrolled manor to "blow" through the piping and systems over many cycles. This process, after chemical passivation of the boiler internals, can take up to 2 weeks to complete and is concluded when an adequate steam quality free of particulate/scale is achieved. The residues within the boiler during construction would causes damage to the steam turbine internal blades if not removed prior to the steam being passed to the turbine for the first time during commissioning. This process is achieved using a temporary commissioning dedicated sacrificial pipework system and silencer that is specifically installed for this process. For the avoidance of doubt, it is not possible to undertake steam purging during normal operation of the plant.

The boiler will be designed strictly in accordance with the Pressure Systems Safety Regulations which require any pressurised system to be fitted with emergency pressure relief valves to prevent over pressurisation and an uncontrolled rupture of the boiler. Pressure relief systems and valves are utilised for emergencies only and are not used for normal operation and control of the boiler meaning their use is to prevent an uncontrolled event. During any normal operation of the plant the pressure relief valves will not need to operate. In an exceptional circumstance (i.e. equipment failure elsewhere within the plant) the control system may not be able to prevent an over pressurisation of the steam system and the last line of defence is the pressure release valves within the boiler which will lift and vent the system pressure. The pressure relief cycle, if initiated, will last for approximately 4-6 minutes when normal operating pressure limits within the boiler are returned to 'normal' levels and safe shut-down or ongoing operations can be maintained. The pressure relief system will be fitted with silencer(s) specifically designed to reduce noise from this abnormal event to approximately 50 dB at the boundary of the plant. It is understood from previous experience that it is simply not feasible to reduce noise levels below this level given the nature and requirement for this system to be safely effective.

The pressure relief valves will be safety tested on a periodic basis. The frequency of testing will be determined by the Pressure Equipment Directive written scheme of examination, defined within the UK pressure systems regulations. The frequency of testing will be determined by the written scheme of examination. The frequency of testing is usually between 12-24 months.

Steam purging is a planned event that will occur only during commissioning. Testing of the safety relief valves again is a planned operational activity with a frequency driven by legislation. All of these events will be planned to occur during day-time hours.

If there is an exceptional circumstance operationally where the plant control systems and operators cannot rectify an exceptional event, then an unplanned pressure relief event would occur for 2-4 minutes thereby avoiding a significant incident and risk to personnel safety.

Taking this into consideration and in conclusion, following commencement of operation of the Facility, steam purging will not occur during operation of the Facility. If there is an over pressurisation and uncontrolled event within the pressurised boiler, the pressure relief valve system will function to release the pressure to safe levels within the boiler. If the cause of the over pressurisation has been understood, resolved and stable conditions resumed within the boiler then normal operation will resume. However, if the cause of the over-pressurisation is not resolved, the boiler will shut down safely to enable the issue to be investigated and resolved prior to restarting the plant.

# 2.4.7 Odour

The storage and handling of incoming waste is considered to have potential to give rise to odour. The Facility will include controls to minimise odour during normal and abnormal operation.

The controls to minimise odorous emissions from the Facility are discussed in the following sections.

# 2.4.7.1 Waste reception

In the Facility, combustion air will be drawn from above the waste pit, so that odours and airborne dust are drawn from the waste reception area/waste bunker into the thermal treatment line (thus preventing their escape to atmosphere). This ensures that a negative pressure is maintained, hence reducing the chance of odours escaping the building. The extraction system will be designed in accordance with SEPA's Odour Guidance and will provide for at least 3 air changes per hour within the waste bunker area.

Odour will also be controlled by keeping the doors between the waste tipping area and the waste bunker closed when there are no waste deliveries occurring.

Bunker management procedures (mixing and periodic emptying and cleaning) will be developed and implemented to avoid the development of anaerobic conditions in the waste bunker, which could generate odorous emissions.

In the event of a plant shutdown, which might result in waste being held in the waste bunker for a period of time, the doors to the waste reception hall will be kept shut.

The quantities of fuel within the waste bunker will be run down prior to periods of planned maintenance, until there is minimal waste retained within the waste bunker. In addition, during short periods of unplanned maintenance, the doors to the Facility building will be closed to prevent the escape of odour.

Should an extended period of unplanned shutdown occur, there will be facilities in place for waste to be backloaded from the waste bunker if required for transport off-site to suitable waste treatment facilities.

During periods of shutdown, odour will be monitored at the installation boundary through olfactory checks by site personnel.

An odour abatement system will be in place to deal with odorous emissions should they be identified during periods of shutdown. It is anticipated that an odour extraction system utilising carbon filtration will be used at the Facility. This will extract potentially odorous emissions from waste storage areas and treat the air prior to release from a dedicated odour abatement stack.

The stack for the odour abatement stack will be located on top of the boiler hall. The odour abatement stack will be 3m (or more subject to detailed design), than the height of the boiler hall. The odour abatement system will be designed to ensure that odour impacts at sensitive receptors are less than the benchmark level, understood to be 1.5 OU<sub>e</sub> at receptor locations. The odour abatement system will be subject to detailed design of the Facility. An odour assessment has been included within the Air Quality Assessments provided in Appendix D.

# 2.4.7.2 Plant process

During normal operation, emissions from the ERP will be released from the main stack.

The Industrial Emissions Directive (IED) requires that any combustion gases passing through a thermal treatment of waste plant must experience a temperature of 850°C or more for at least two seconds. Due to the high temperature experienced by the gases, most odorous chemicals would be destroyed. Any surviving odorous chemicals may become trapped on the bag filters.

The flue gases from the waste treatment/energy recovery process will pass through a flue gas treatment (FGT) system, which includes bag filters to reduce the particulate content of the flue gas.

Ammonia solution is injected into the furnace as part of the NOx abatement system, and there may be some occasional "ammonia slip" during operation. The release of the flue gases from the stack will assist with dispersion of the flue gases. Taking this into consideration, there will not be any malodorous air from Facility that will be detectable at sensitive human receptors. Furthermore, as demonstrated within the air quality assessment, emissions of ammonia are predicted to have an insignificant impact upon sensitive human receptors.

# 2.4.7.3 Incinerator Bottom Ash storage

Incinerator bottom ash (IBA) is the residue which is left from the combustion of waste. This means that it will have reached a temperature of 850°C or higher during combustion for at least two seconds and that it will have a Loss on Ignition (LOI) of less than 5% or a Total Organic Carbon of less than 3%, as required by the IED. Therefore, no organic or putrescible solid material would be present within the IBA. Consequently, there will be no emissions of odour from the IBA storage areas.

# 2.4.7.4 APCr storage

APCr is the residue which is collected in the bag filters and will be stored in a silo. This residue will consist of ash which will have reached a temperature of 850°C or higher during combustion within the boiler or the flue gas treatment chemicals (lime or activated carbon) within the FGT system. Therefore, no organic or putrescible solid material would be present within the APCr. Consequently, there will be no odour from the storage of APCr within the silos.

BAT 21 and section 4.2.2.3 of the Waste Incineration BREF list various methods and techniques as representing BAT to prevent or reduce diffuse emissions (including odour emissions) from a thermal treatment of waste plant. In addition to the measures already outlined above, additional information is contained in Section 2.7.2.

# 2.5 Monitoring methods

# 2.5.1 Emissions monitoring

Sampling and analysis of all pollutants including dioxins and furans will be carried out to CEN or equivalent standards (e.g. ISO, national, or international standards) and in accordance with the Environment Agency's MCERTS scheme. This ensures the provision of data of an equivalent scientific quality.

The Facility will be equipped with modern monitoring and data logging devices to enable checks to be made of process efficiency.

The purpose of monitoring has three main objectives:

- 1. To provide the information necessary for efficient and safe plant operation;
- 2. To warn the operator if any emissions deviate from predefined ranges; and
- 3. To provide records of emissions and events for the purposes of demonstrating regulatory compliance.

# 2.5.1.1 Monitoring emissions to air

The following parameters for the emissions from the Facility will be monitored and recorded continuously using a Continuous Emissions Monitoring System (CEMS):

- 1. Carbon monoxide;
- 2. Hydrogen chloride;
- 3. Sulphur dioxide;
- 4. Nitrogen oxides;
- 5. Ammonia;
- 6. Volatile organic compounds (VOCs); and
- 7. Particulates.

In addition, the oxygen and water vapour content, temperature and pressure of the flue gases will be monitored so that the emission concentrations can be reported at the reference conditions required by the Industrial Emissions Directive (IED). There will be an installed back-up CEMS which will be brought into service in the event of a duty CEMS failure to ensure continued emission monitoring availability.

Once operational, in addition to the CEMS system, emissions to air from the Facility will be subject to periodic surveillance tests by independent testing companies at frequencies to be agreed with SEPA.

In addition to the CEMS system, the following emissions from the Facility will also be monitored by means of periodic spot sampling at frequencies agreed with SEPA and in accordance with the requirements of the UK regulatory authorities BREF implementation plan:

- 1. Hydrogen fluoride;
- Group 3 Heavy Metals [antimony (Sb), arsenic (As), lead (Pb); chromium (Cr), cobalt (Co), copper (Cu), manganese (Mn), nickel (Ni), vanadium (V)];
- 3. Cadmium (Cd) and thallium (Tl);
- 4. Mercury (Hg);
- 5. Nitrous oxide;

- 6. Dioxins and furans; and
- 7. Dioxin like PCBs.

It is not proposed to undertake continuous monitoring of emissions of mercury or dioxins and furans. The BREF states that for plants thermally treating wastes with a proven low and stable mercury content (e.g. mono streams of waste of a controlled composition), the continuous monitoring of emissions may be replaced by long-term sampling or periodic monitoring. Taking this into consideration, it is proposed to apply for periodic monitoring of mercury within the PPC permit with *'low and stable'* emissions being subsequently demonstrated via an Improvement Condition or similar.

The Waste Incineration BREF also requires continuous monitoring of hydrogen fluoride; however, it is stated that this may be replaced by periodic monitoring if hydrogen chloride levels are proven to be sufficiently stable. With the proposed measures for the control of the abatement of acid gases (refer to section 2.2.3.4), periodic monitoring of hydrogen fluoride is proposed.

With regards monitoring requirements for emissions of dioxins and furans and dioxin-like PCB's (herein referred to as dioxins and furans), the BREF states that the monitoring does not apply if the emission levels are proven to be sufficiently stable.

At the time of writing this application, the UK regulatory authorities have circulated for review the UK's BREF interpretation and implementation plan for compliance with the requirements of the BREF. Mercury and dioxins and furans protocols have been circulated for comment within the BREF Implementation plan. Following these protocols will rapidly demonstrate that facilities classified as 'new plants' for BREF compliance purposes, such as the Facility, will have low and stable emissions of mercury and dioxins and furans. These protocols are similar in nature to the bottom ash protocol, with a programme of intensive testing at the commencement of operation – with 2 tests per month until 6 consecutive results are obtained - to establish that emissions of mercury and dioxins and stable.

The methods and standards used for emissions monitoring will be in compliance with SEPA Sector Guidance Note S5.01 and the IED. In particular, the CEMS equipment will be certified to the MCERTS standard and will have certified ranges which are no greater than 1.5 times the relevant daily average emission limit.

Sampling and analysis of all pollutants including dioxins and furans will be carried out to CEN or equivalent standards (e.g. ISO, national, or international standards). This ensures the provision of data of an equivalent scientific quality.

The frequency of periodic measurements will comply with the emission limits within the PPC Permit as a minimum. The flue gas sampling techniques and the sampling platform will comply with Environment Agency Technical Guidance Notes M1 and '*Monitoring stack emissions: technical* guidance for selecting a monitoring approach' (formerly part of the M2 guidance document).

It is anticipated that the following equipment will be used for emissions measurements, however this will be confirmed during detailed design of the CEMS system:

- hydrogen chloride, carbon monoxide, sulphur dioxide, oxides of nitrogen and ammonia will be measured by an FTIR type multi-gas analyser;
- VOCs will be measured by an FID type analyser;
- particulate matter will be measured by an opacimeter; and
- oxygen will be monitored by a zirconium probe.

All monitoring results shall be recorded, processed and presented in such a way as to enable SEPA to verify compliance with the operating conditions and the regulatory emission limit values within the PPC Permit.

Periodic monitoring will be undertaken by MCERTS accredited stack monitoring organisations.

### Reliability

IED Annex VI Part 8 allows a valid daily average to be obtained only if no more than 5 half-hourly averages during the day are discarded due to malfunction or maintenance of the continuous measurement system. IED Annex VI Part 8 also requires that no more than 10 daily averages are discarded per year.

These reliability requirements will be met primarily by selecting MCERTS certified equipment.

Calibration of the CEMS will be carried out at regular intervals as recommended by the manufacturer and by the requirements of BS EN 14181 and BS EN 15267-3. Regular servicing and maintenance will be carried out under a service contract with the equipment supplier. The CEMs will be supplied with remote access to allow service engineers to provide remote diagnostics.

There will be one dedicated CEMS, and a stand-by CEMS in the event of a CEMS failure. This will ensure that there is continuous monitoring data available even if there is a problem with the duty CEMS.

#### Start-up and shut-down

The emission limits do not apply during start-up and shutdown under the IED, but the abatement equipment will be required to operate during start-up and shutdown. Therefore, a signal will be sent from the main plant control system to the CEMS system to indicate when the Facility is operational and burning waste. The averages will only be calculated when this signal is sent, but raw monitoring data will be retained for inspection.

It is anticipated that the following conditions will define when start-up ends:

- 1. the auxiliary burners are turned down quickly (as there is a slight overlap between the burning of waste and the auxiliary burner operation);
- 2. the feed chute damper is open and the ram feeder, flue gas cleaning plant, control systems, monitoring equipment, grate and ash extractors and all other necessary devices of the entire facility like the water stream cycle are running;
- 3. the flue gas temperature after the last injection of combustion air is greater than 850°C and will be kept above 850°C for 2 seconds; and
- 4. start-up ends when waste has been fed to the plant in sufficient quantity to cover the grate and to initiate steady-state conditions.

It is anticipated that the following conditions will define when a scheduled shutdown begins:

- 1. the feed chute damper will be closed and the ram feeders will stop operation;
- 2. the flue gas treatment systems and all other systems/devices necessary for shutdown of the entire Facility are running; and
- the auxiliary burner is in service since the flue gas temperature after the last injection of combustion air has dropped below 850°C (and will remain in operation at least until all waste on the grate is completely burned out).

#### **Emergency diesel generator**

The emergency diesel generator will only operate for short-term periods (i.e. <50 hours per year) for testing purposes, or will operate in the event of an emergency. Therefore, it will not be subject

to emission limits under the Medium Combustion Plant Directive (MCPD). However, it is proposed that periodic monitoring of NOx and CO will be undertaken for the EDGs

# 2.5.1.2 Monitoring emissions to water and sewer

As outlined in section 1.4.8, the site drainage systems will be designed in accordance with CIRIA C753. This is understood to be in accordance with the requirements of SEPA guidance for SUDS systems. The design of the drainage system is expected to contain the following elements:

- All reasonable design steps will have been taken to ensure that the discharge does not result in pollution of the water environment;
- The discharge will not contain any trade effluent or sewage or result in visible discolouration, iridescence, foaming or sewage fungus in the water environment;
- The discharge will only contain water which has been drained by a SUD system equipped with hydrocarbon separation to avoid pollution of the water environment;
- The discharge will not contain any water run-off from fuel delivery areas, waste storage areas or oil and chemical storage, handling and delivery areas.
- Oil, paint thinners, detergents, disinfectants, sewage, trade effluents or other pollutants will not be disposed of into a surface water drainage system; and
- Any matter liable to block, obstruct or otherwise impair the ability of the surface water drainage system to avoid pollution of the water environment will not be disposed of into a surface water drainage system or onto a surface that drains into a surface water drainage system

As such, it is understood that the design of the facility complies with General Binding Rules (GBR) 10 & 11 as specified within The Water Environment (Controlled Activities) (Scotland) Regulations 2011 ("Controlled Activities Regulations"). It is expected that the Facility will fall under the scope of GBR 10 as "land used for non-residential premises or yards, except where the buildings or yards are in an industrial estate;"

The Controlled Activities Regulations state the following:

If your activity falls under a General Binding Rule (GBR) you do not need to apply to SEPA for an authorisation, though you must ensure you comply with the conditions of the GBR.

Furthermore, compliance with a GBR is considered to be compliance with an authorisation and therefore, further monitoring would not be required under the Controlled Activities Regulations for activities which comply with a GBR.

Should a consent be obtained from Scottish Water for the discharge of excess process effluents to sewer, regular monitoring would be undertaken to ensure that the discharge of process effluents is within the acceptable limits imposed by the Trade Effluent Consent.

# 2.5.2 Monitoring of process variables

The Facility will be controlled from a dedicated control room. A modern control system, incorporating the latest advances in control and instrumentation technology, will be utilised to control operations, optimising the process relative to efficient heat release, good burn-out and minimum particle carry-over.

The system will control and/or monitor the main features of the plant operation including, but not limited to, the following:

- combustion air;
- fuel feed rate;

- SNCR system;
- flue gas oxygen concentration at the boiler exit;
- flue gas composition at the stack;
- combustion process;
- boiler feed pumps and feedwater control;
- steam flow at the boiler outlets;
- steam outlet temperature;
- boiler drum level control;
- flue gas control;
- power generation; and
- steam turbine exhaust pressure.

The response times for instrumentation and control devices will be designed to be fast enough to ensure efficient control.

The following process variables have particular potential to influence emissions:

- Fuel throughput will be recorded to enable comparison with the design throughput. As a minimum, daily and annual throughput will be recorded.
- Combustion temperature will be monitored at a suitable position to demonstrate compliance with the requirement for a residence time of 2 seconds at a temperature of at least 850°C.
- The differential pressure across the bag filters will be measured, in order to optimise the performance of the cleaning system and to detect bag failures.
- The concentration of HCl in the flue gases upstream of the flue gas treatment system will be measured in order to optimise the performance of the emissions abatement equipment.

Water use will be monitored and recorded regularly at various points throughout the process to help highlight any abnormal usage. This will be achieved by monitoring the incoming water supplies and the boiler water makeup.

In addition, electricity and auxiliary fuel consumption will be monitored to highlight any abnormal usage.

IBA will be sampled and analysed at regular intervals to ensure its composition is suitable for it to be recovered/processed at a suitable facility.

# 2.5.2.1 Validation of combustion conditions

The Facility will be designed to provide a residence time, after the last injection of combustion air, of more than two seconds at a temperature of at least 850°C. This criterion will be demonstrated using Computational Fluid Dynamic (CFD) modelling during the design stage and confirmed by the recognized measurements and methodologies during commissioning in accordance with S5.01.

It will also be demonstrated during commissioning that the Facility can achieve complete combustion by measuring concentrations of carbon monoxide, VOCs and dioxins in the flue gases and TOC or LOI of the bottom ash.

During the operational phase, the temperature at the 2-seconds residence time point will be monitored to ensure that it remains above 850°C. The location of the temperature probes will be selected using the results of the CFD model. If it is not possible to locate the temperature probes at the precise point of the 2-seconds residence time, then a correction factor will be applied to the

measured temperature. The CFD model for the design will be made available to SEPA following detailed design of the boiler.

Ammonia will be injected into the flue gases at a temperature of between 850°C and 1000°C. This narrow temperature range is required to efficiently reduce NOx and avoid unwanted secondary reactions. This means that multiple levels of injection points will be required in the radiation zone of the furnace. It is acknowledged that the Waste Incineration BREF identifies a narrower effective temperature range of 850 - 950°C for optimum reaction rates. During detailed design of the Facility, the SNCR system will be optimised to achieve a balance between high reaction rates, low NOx emission concentrations and low reagent consumption, and will operate within the temperature range stated in the Waste Incineration BREF, where possible.

Sufficient nozzles will be provided at each level to distribute the ammonia correctly across the entire cross section of the radiation zone. CFD modelling will be utilised to determine the appropriate location and number of injection levels as well as number of nozzles to ensure the SNCR system achieves the required NOx reduction for the whole range of operating conditions while maintaining the ammonia slip below the required emission level.

The CFD modelling will also be used to optimise the location of the secondary air inputs into the combustion chamber.

# 2.5.2.2 Measuring oxygen levels

The oxygen concentration at the boiler exit will be monitored and controlled to ensure that there will always be adequate oxygen for complete combustion of combustible gases. Oxygen concentration will be controlled by regulating the combustion airflows and the waste feed rate.

# 2.6 BAT review

Within this section, qualitative and quantitative BAT assessments have been presented for the following:

- combustion technology;
- NOx abatement technology;
- acid gas abatement technology;
- particulate matter abatement;
- steam condenser; and
- drainage arrangements.

Where appropriate, the quantitative assessments draw on information and data obtained by Fichtner from a range of different projects using the technologies which have been identified as potentially representing BAT from an initial qualitative assessment.

# 2.6.1 Combustion technology

It is proposed that the waste treatment/energy recovery technology for the Facility will be a moving grate furnace. This is the leading technology in the UK and Europe for the combustion of the fuel types likely to be treated by the Facility. The moving grate will comprise of inclined fixed and moving bars that will move the fuel from the feed inlet to the residue discharge. The grate movement turns and mixes the fuel along the surface of the grate to ensure that all fuel is exposed to the combustion process.

The Waste Incineration BREF and the BREF for Large Combustion Plants identify a number of alternative technologies for the combustion of waste fuels. The suitability of these technologies among others has been considered, as follows:

### 1. Grate furnaces

As stated in the Sector Guidance Note, these are designed to handle large volumes of waste.

Grates are the leading technology in the UK and Europe for the combustion of non-hazardous waste fuels, such as that proposed to be treated at the Facility. The moving grate comprises inclined fixed and moving bars (or rollers) or a vibrating grate that will move the fuel from the feed inlet to the residue discharge. The grate movement turns and mixes the fuel along the surface of the grate to ensure that all waste is exposed to the combustion process.

Grate systems are designed for large quantities of heterogeneous waste and so would be appropriate for the fuel to be processed at the Facility.

### 2. Fixed hearth

These are not considered suitable for large volumes of waste. They are best suited to low volumes of consistent waste. Therefore, these systems are not considered suitable for the proposed design capacity and have not been considered any further.

# 3. Pulsed hearth

Pulsed hearth technology has been used previously for the combustion of waste derived fuels, such as those proposed in the Facility, as well as other solid wastes. However, there have been difficulties in achieving reliable and effective burnout of the waste and it is considered that the burnout criteria required by Article 50(1) of the IED would be difficult to achieve. Therefore, these systems are not considered practical and have not been considered any further for the Facility.

### 4. Rotary and oscillating kilns

Rotary kilns are used widely within the cement industry which uses a consistent fuel feedstock and they have been used widely within the healthcare sector in treating clinical waste, but they have not been used in the UK for large volumes of waste derived fuels. Rotary kilns can operate at higher temperatures than other systems due to the absence of exposed metal surfaces and can therefore be used to thermally treat hazardous, clinical and industrial wastes.

An oscillating kiln is used for the thermal treatment of municipal waste at only two currently known sites in England and some sites in France. The energy conversion efficiency in these systems is lower than that of other thermal treatment technologies due to the large areas of refractory lined combustion chamber.

In addition, typical oscillating kiln units have a maximum processing capacity of approximately 8 tonnes per hour; therefore, the Facility would require around 5 kilns to attain the maximum throughput. Considering the proposed capacity of the Facility, this is considered impractical and would lead to significant efficiency losses. However, rotary kilns have been considered further within the BAT assessment – refer to Table 8.

### 5. Fluidised bed combustor

Fluidised beds are designed for the combustion of relatively homogeneous fuel. Therefore, fluidised beds are appropriate for waste which has been pre-processed to produce a pre-processed waste fuel, often referred to as RDF.

While fluidised bed combustion can lead to slightly lower NOx generation, the injection of a NOx reagent is still required to achieve the relevant BAT-AELs.

Fluidised beds can have elevated emissions of nitrous oxide, a potent greenhouse gas. Some have been designed to minimise the formation of nitrous oxide.

#### 6. Pyrolysis/Gasification

In pyrolysis, the waste is heated in the absence of air, leading to the production of a syngas with a higher calorific value than from gasification. However, the process normally requires some form of external heat source, which may be from the combustion of part of the syngas.

Various suppliers are developing pyrolysis and gasification systems for the thermal treatment of waste derived fuels, however, systems such as these are not considered to be a robust and proven technology. Therefore, these systems have not been considered any further.

A quantitative BAT assessment for combustion technologies has been undertaken and is presented in Appendix E, section 5. The conclusions of the assessment are summarised in Table 8.

Parameter	Units	Grate	Fluidised bed	Rotary kiln
Global warming potential	t CO2 eq p.a.	-46,000	-45,600	-27,000
Ammonia consumption	t.p.a.	1,300	900	1,700
Residues (total ash)	t.p.a	40,340	42,140	40,340
Annual total materials cost (reagents plus residues)	p.a.	£2,270,000	£2,430,000	£2,310,000
Annual power revenue	p.a.	£6,200,000	£6,150,000	£3,700,000

Table 8: BAT assessment – combustion techniques

All combustion technologies will produce similar quantities of residue, although the fluidised bed produces more residue due to the losses of sand from the furnace.

The grate has a similar global warming potential to the fluidised bed but would consume more ammonia during 'typical' operations. The two combustion systems will produce similar quantities of residues, although the fluidised bed produces more residue due to the losses of sand from the furnace. The rotary kiln has a lower global warming potential, however it is less efficient which has a significant impact on the associated operating costs and power revenues. In addition, the capital cost associated with a rotary kiln is likely to be significantly higher as additional streams will be required to achieve the proposed processing capacity.

The material costs are approximately 7% higher for the fluidised bed than the grate, whereas the grate system will have a slightly higher power revenue. It is acknowledged that it is marginal. The grate system will be able to process the varying waste composition compared to a fluidised bed system which requires a consistent and homogenous fuel and therefore additional treatment of the waste.

A stated above within the qualitative BAT assessment, grate combustion systems are designed for large quantities of heterogeneous waste, whereas fluidised bed systems are more sensitive to inconsistencies within the fuel. Due to the robustness of grate combustion systems and their ability to process large quantities of heterogeneous waste, they are considered to represent BAT for the Facility.

# 2.6.2 NOx abatement systems

As stated within S5.01, there are three recognised technologies available for the abatement of emissions of NOx:

- Flue Gas Recirculation (FGR);
- Selective Non-Catalytic Reduction (SNCR); and
- Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR).
- 1. Flue gas recirculation (FGR)

It is currently assumed that the Facility will not employ FGR. However, this is subject to confirmation through the commercial procurement process with the selected technology provider.

It is important to understand that FGR is not a bolt-on NOx abatement technique. The recirculation of a proportion of the flue gases into the combustion chamber to replace some of the secondary air changes the operation of the plant in various ways, by changing the temperature balance and increasing turbulence. This requires the boilers to be redesigned to ensure that the air distribution remains even.

Some suppliers of grates have designed their combustion systems to operate with FGR and these suppliers can gain benefits of reduced NOx generation from the use of FGR. Other suppliers of grates have focussed on reducing NOx generation through the control of primary and secondary air and the grate design, and these suppliers gain little if any benefit from the use of FGR.

It is also important to emphasise that, even where FGR does improve the performance of a combustion system, it does not reduce NOx emissions to the levels required by IED. Therefore, it would not alleviate the need for further NOx abatement systems.

### 2. Selective non-catalytic reduction

SNCR involves distributing a spray containing an aqueous SNCR reagent (ammonia solution in the case of the Facility) into the flue gas flow path at an appropriate location (typically the high temperature region of the boilers). The ammonia will react with the NOx formed in the combustion process to produce a combination of nitrogen, water and carbon dioxide. NOx levels are primarily controlled by monitoring the flow of combustion air.

Extensive dosing of reagent or low reaction temperatures can lead to ammonia slip, resulting in the formation of ammonia salts downstream in the flue gas path and discharge to atmosphere of unreacted ammonia. Ammonia emissions may be controlled under the plant's permit and can lead to secondary problems, so should be kept to a minimum. This can be addressed by employing systems to control the rate of reagent dosing.

SNCR is widely deployed across waste, biomass and coal power plants in the UK and Europe. It is proposed to use SNCR for the Facility to control NOx levels, in combination with controlling the combustion air through the combustion control system. Ammonia solution will be used as the reagent within the SNCR system at the Facility.

### 3. Selective catalytic reduction

The use of Selective Catalytic Reduction (SCR) has also been considered. In this technique, the NOx abatement reagent is injected into the flue gases immediately upstream of a reactor vessel containing layers of catalyst. The NOx is converted into nitrogen, water and carbon dioxide, with the reaction most efficient in the temperature range 200 to 350°C.

The catalyst is expensive and to achieve a reasonable working life, it is necessary to install the SCR downstream of the flue gas treatment plant. This is because the flue gas treatment plant removes dust which would otherwise cause deterioration of the catalyst.

Since the other flue gas cleaning reactions take place at an optimum temperature of approximately 140°C, the flue gases have to be reheated before entering the SCR system. This

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requires some thermal energy which would otherwise be converted to electrical power output, reducing the overall energy recovery efficiency of the Facility. The catalytic reactor also creates additional pressure losses which need to be compensated by a bigger exhaust fan, this uses additional energy reducing further the overall energy efficiency of the Facility.

SCR systems are often seen as considerably more complicated and more capital intensive than SNCR systems. However, space will be allowed within the design and layout of the flue gas treatment system allow for the installation of an SCR system in the future if required. Suitable space and provision would be made for access for maintenance and cleaning.

A quantitative BAT assessment of the available technologies has been undertaken and is presented in Appendix E, section 3. This assessment uses data obtained by Fichtner from a range of different projects using the technologies proposed in this application.

Parameter	Units	SNCR	SCR	SNCR + FGR
NOx released after abatement	t p.a.	110	60	110
NOx abated	t p.a.	220	270	190
Photochemical Ozone Creation Potential (POCP)	t ethylene-eq p.a.	-4,200	-2,300	-4,200
Global Warming Potential	t CO2 p.a.	500	1,700	700
Ammonia used	t.p.a.	1,320	900	1,140
Annualised Cost	£ p.a.	£270,000	£1,032,000	£316,000
Cost per tonne NOx abated	£ p.t NOx.	£1,320	£3,820	£1,660

Table 9: BAT assessment – NOx abatement

As can be seen from the table above, applying SCR for the abatement of NOx:

- 1. increases the annualised costs by approximately £760,000;
- 2. abates an additional 50 tonnes of NOx per annum;
- reduces the benefit of the facility in terms of the global warming potential by approximately 1,200 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>;
- 4. reduces reagent consumption by approximately 420 tonnes per annum; and
- 5. costs an additional £2,160 per additional tonne of NOx abated compared to SNCR + FGR and £2,500 per additional tonne of NOx abated compared to SNCR.

The additional costs associated with SCR are not considered to represent BAT for the Facility. On this basis, SNCR is considered to represent BAT.

Including FGR to the SNCR system to abate NOx increases the cost per tonne of NOx abated by approximately 26% compared to SNCR without FGR. It has no effect on the direct environmental impact of the plant, but it increases the impact on climate change by approximately 200 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub> per annum while reducing ammonia consumption by approximately 180 tonnes per annum.

It is currently understood that the proposed designs do not include FGR. Allowing for the increase in the costs of NOx abatement for a SCR system, and the climate change impact associated with FGR, an SNCR system without FGR is considered to represent BAT for the abatement of NOx within the Facility.

It is requested that a pre-operational condition is included within the permit which allows a final decision on the NOx abatement reagent to be made following completion of detailed design of the Facility.

# 2.6.3 Acid gas abatement system

There are currently three technologies widely available for acid gas treatment on similar plants in the UK.

- 1. Wet scrubbing, involving the mixing of the flue gases with an alkaline solution of sodium hydroxide or hydrated lime. This has a good abatement performance, but it consumes large quantities of water, produces large quantities of liquid effluent which require treatment and has high capital and operating costs. It is mainly used in the UK for hazardous waste incineration plants where high and varying levels of acid gases in the flue gases require the buffering capacity and additional abatement performance of a wet scrubbing system.
- 2. Semi-dry, involving the injection of quick lime as a slurry into the flue gases in the form of a spray of fine droplets. The acid gases are absorbed into the aqueous phase on the surface of the droplets and react with the quick lime. The fine droplets evaporate as the flue gases pass through the system, cooling the gas. This means that less energy can be extracted from the flue gases in the boilers, making the steam cycle less efficient. The quick lime and reaction products are collected on a bag filter, where further reaction can take place.
- 3. Dry, involving the injection of lime or sodium bicarbonate into the flue gases as a powder. The reagent is collected on a bag filter to form a cake and most of the reaction between the acid gases and the reagent takes place as the flue gases pass through the filter cake. In its basic form, the dry system consumes more reagent than the semi-dry system. However, this can be improved by recirculating the flue gas treatment residues, which contain some unreacted lime and reinjecting this into the flue gases.

Wet scrubbing is not considered to be suitable for the Facility, due to the production of a large volume of hazardous liquid effluent, a reduction in the power generating efficiency of the plant and the generation of a visible plume.

Dry and semi-dry systems can easily achieve the BAT AELs required by the WI BREF and both systems have been demonstrated to achieve the proposed emission limits on operational plants in the UK and Europe. Furthermore, both are considered to represent BAT within S5.01. The advantages and disadvantages of each technique are varied which makes assessment complex; therefore, the assessment methodology described in Horizontal Guidance Note H1 has been used and is detailed in Appendix E section 4.

A quantitative assessment of the available technologies has been undertaken and is presented in Appendix E, section 2. The conclusions of the assessment are summarised in Table 10.

Parameter	Units	Dry	Semi-dry
SO <sub>2</sub> abated	t.p.a.	190	190
Photochemical Ozone Creation Potential (POCP)	t-ethylene eq	140	140
Global Warming Potential	tn-CO₂ eq p.a.	1,700	3,600
Additional water required in a semi-dry system	t.p.a.	-	13,000
APC residues	t.p.a.	6,490	6,500

Table 10: BAT assessment – acid gas abatement

Parameter	Units	Dry	Semi-dry
Annualised cost	£ p.a.	£3,525,000	£3,722,000

The performance of the options is very similar.

The dry system only requires a small quantity of water for conditioning of the lime so that it is suitable for injection into the reaction chamber, whereas the semi-dry system requires the lime to be held in solution (quick lime). This requires significantly more water than a dry system.

The dry system has a reduced global warming potential and annualised cost compared to the semidry system. In addition, within a semi-dry system recycling of reagent within the process is not proven, but it is proven in a dry system. However, the semi-dry option benefits from medium reaction rates which mean that a shorter residence time is required in comparison with a dry system.

Due to the low water consumption and proven capability for recycling of reagents, the dry system is considered to represent BAT for the Facility.

# 2.6.4 Particulate matter abatement

The Facility will use a multi-compartment fabric filter for the control of particulates. There are several alternative technologies available, but none offer the performance of the fabric filter. Fabric filters represent BAT for this type of thermal treatment plant for the following reasons:

- 1. Fabric filters are a proven technology and are used in a wide range of applications. The use of fabric filters with multiple compartments, allows individual bag filters to be isolated in case of individual bag filter failure.
- 2. Wet scrubbers are not capable of meeting the same emission limits as fabric filters.
- 3. Electrostatic precipitators are also not capable of abating particulates to the same level as fabric filters. They could be used to reduce the particulate loading on the fabric filters and so increase the acid gas reaction efficiency and reduce lime residue production, but the benefit is marginal and would not justify the additional expenditure, the consequent increase in power consumption and significant increase in the carbon footprint of the Facility.
- 4. Ceramic Filters have not been proven for this type of thermal treatment of waste plant design and are regarded as being more suited to high temperature filtration.

Fabric filters are considered to represent BAT for the removal of particulates for this Facility.

Filter bags containing catalyst materials are also a possible technology for the abatement of particulates and other pollutants. A review of catalytic filter bags is presented within the response to BAT 30 – refer to section 2.7.2.

# 2.6.5 Steam condenser

There are three potential BAT solutions considered in S5.01 as representing indicative BAT for the Facility, which are:

- Air Cooled Condenser (ACC);
- Once-Through Cooling (OTC); and
- Evaporative Condenser (EC).

Water cooling can be achieved through once-through cooling systems or by a recirculating water supply to condense the steam. Both cooling systems require significant quantities of water and a

receiving watercourse for the off-site discharge of cooling water. In addition, a water abstraction source is needed, with mains water not an economically viable option.

The closest suitable watercourse to the Facility is the River Lugar which lies approximately 1.4 km to the east/northeast of the Facility. This lies a considerable distance from the site with numerous roads in between. Therefore, to run a pipeline between the river and the site would be extremely complex and subject to securing a number of wayleaves with different landowners. Furthermore, the stretch of the river closest to the Facility appears to be shallow in depth not be suitable for the discharge of large volumes of cooling water.

Taking the above into consideration, water cooling is not considered to be suitable technology for cooling at the Facility.

Evaporative condenser systems use water which is evaporated directly from the condenser surface and lost to the atmosphere to provide the required cooling. They also require large volumes of water. Evaporative condenser systems can create a visible plume from the condenser which will have a visual impact. Objections may be raised to plume formations, and it is not possible to eliminate the risk of a plume even with hybrid cooling towers. As explained previously, there are no suitable watercourses 'available' for the abstraction and discharge of cooling water from the Facility. Furthermore, when this is taken into consideration with the potential for the generation of a visible plume, the use of evaporative condenser systems is not considered to represent BAT for the Facility.

ACCs do not require significant quantities of water. It is acknowledged that ACC's can have noise impacts, but mitigation measures can be applied to the design to ensure that the noise impacts associated with the ACC's are at an 'acceptable' level – refer to the noise assessment (Appendix C) for further detail. Furthermore, ACC's do not create a visual impact (visible plume), unlike that from evaporative cooling.

Taking the above into consideration, an ACC is considered to represent BAT for the Facility.

# 2.6.6 Odour Abatement Technology

The guidance on odour identifies the following techniques for the abatement of odour:

- 1. adsorption;
- 2. dry chemical scrubbing;
- 3. wet chemical scrubbing;
- 4. biological treatment;
- 5. thermal treatment;
- 6. odour modification systems;
- 7. ozone treatment;
- 8. condensation;
- 9. open systems; and
- 10. new systems.

The guidance considers that, for very odorous air, it is common to use a combination of these methods. However, considering that odour from the Facility is not expected to be a significant issue, and that combination systems can be expensive and complex requiring significant maintenance, it is proposed to use a single abatement technique – adsorption through a carbon filtration system.

Adsorption is a process in which gas molecules are removed from a gaseous stream via capture on the surface of a solid adsorbent. Adsorbents are chosen so that they preferentially adsorb specific

chemical compounds. When a gaseous stream passes through a bed of appropriate adsorbent material, odorous molecules that contact the adsorbent surface are captured. Common adsorbents include granular activated carbon (GAC), zeolites, macro-porous polymer particles, silica gel, and sodium-aluminium silicates.

In general, adsorption is a relatively simple, robust, efficient and economic technology. Although the technology is sensitive to high temperatures (approximately 100°C), humidity, and high particulate content, this should not be a concern for air extracted from the waste reception area.

The adsorbent typically has to be replaced after its surface is saturated. Due to the low frequency which the adsorbent will be used, it is estimated that it will require replacement every 12 months.

Adsorption is an appropriate odour abatement technique for gas streams with low concentrations of organic compounds, such as those associated with the Facility. Adsorption is used in various types of facilities for odour abatement, such as sewage treatment plants, petrol stations, and food processing facilities. Some operators of adsorption abatement systems have experienced problems with saturation of the filters; however, a preventative maintenance regime will minimise the chance of problems occurring.

It is understood that SEPA consider the use of carbon filtration systems to represent BAT for the abatement of odours.

Taking the above into consideration, the use of an adsorption system is considered to be a proven technology for the abatement of odours compared to the alternative odour abatement technologies, and has been accepted as representing BAT for other facilities.

On this basis, the use of an adsorption system is considered to represent BAT for the Facility.

# 2.6.7 Surface water arrangements

There are three options available for the discharge of surface water run-off from the Facility:

- 1. discharge to a watercourse or waterbody;
- 2. discharge to groundwater; or
- 3. discharge to surface water sewer.

The River Lugar lies approximately 1.4km from the site, however it is understood that there are currently no existing drainage connections from the site to this watercourse. Therefore, this would require the installation of pipework to facilitate this discharge. Due to the length of pipe required and significant groundworks (including culverts across roads) this would introduce significant capital costs for the development of the Facility.

The Initial Site Report presented within Appendix B provides information on the groundwater conditions underlying the site. It is understood that groundwater levels are between 0.48 and 3.82 m bgl which is considered to be relatively shallow. Due to the shallow nature of the groundwater, discharge of surface water via infiltration is not considered to be appropriate for the site.

The existing drainage at the site provides a connection to the surface water culvert. It is proposed to utilise the existing drainage at the site, and discharge surface water from the site to the surface water culvert.

# 2.6.8 Process effluent and foul effluent arrangements

As outlined in sections 2.3.1.2 and 2.4.3, during normal operation there will be no emissions of process effluent from the Facility discharged to water.

With regards potential options for the disposal of any excess foul and process effluents which cannot be reused, these are listed as follows:

- 1. discharge of effluent (treated or untreated) to sewer;
- 2. discharge of treated effluent to surface water; or
- 3. discharge of effluent (treated or untreated) via tankering off-site.

The industrial estate on which the Facility is located is currently served by a connection to a Scottish Water foul sewer and Scottish Water have confirmed there is available capacity at both the AFTON and Drongan Waste Water Treatment works for a foul sewer connection.

As part of the development of the Facility, it is proposed to utilise the existing drainage arrangements at the site and discharge any excess foul effluents and excess process effluents to sewer in accordance with a Trade Effluent Consent first obtained from Scottish Water. SEPA guidance WAT-SG-12 states that where "Scottish Water does not allow connection to the foul sewer, it may be possible to contain such drainage and tanker it away for treatment or authorised disposal", and that only when none of the other options are feasible and "discharge to the water environment is the only possibility" then this activity will require to be licensed. This indicates SEPA's order of preference as follows:

- 1. foul sewer;
- 2. tankering off-site; and
- 3. discharging to surface water.

Therefore, the arrangements for the discharge of foul and excess process effluents from the Facility is understood to be in line with SEPA's preference.

# 2.7 The Legislative Framework

# 2.7.1 The Industrial Emissions Directive (2010/75/EU)

This section presents information on how the Facility will comply with the Waste Incineration requirements of the Industrial Emissions Directive (IED).

Chapter IV of the IED includes 'Special Provisions for Waste Incineration Plants and Waste Coincineration Plants'. Review of provisions for thermal treatment of waste as presented in the IED has identified that the following requirements could be applicable to the Facility:

- Article 46 Control of Emissions;
- Article 47 Breakdown;
- Article 48 Monitoring of Emissions;
- Article 49 Compliance with Emission Limit Values;
- Article 50 Operating Conditions;
- Article 52 Delivery & Reception of Waste;
- Article 53 Residues; and
- Article 55 Reporting & public information on waste incineration plants and waste coincineration plants.

Table 11 identifies the relevant Articles of the IED and explains how the Facility will comply with them. Many of the articles in the IED impose requirements on regulatory bodies, in terms of the permit conditions which must be set, rather than on the operator. The table below only covers

those requirements which the IED imposes on 'Operators' and either explains how this is achieved or refers to a section of the application where an explanation can be found.

Table 11: Summary table for IED compliance	e 11: Summary table for IED co	mpliance
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Article	Requirement	How met or reference
15(2)	Without prejudice to Article 18, the emission limit values and the equivalent parameters and technical measures referred to in Article 14(1) and (2) shall be based on the best available techniques, without prescribing the use of any technique or specific technology.	The Waste Incineration BREF was published in December 2019. A detailed review of the BAT requirements has been undertaken. Refer to Table 12.
22(2)	Where the activity involves the use, production or release of relevant hazardous substances and having regard to the possibility of soil and groundwater contamination at the site of the installation, the operator shall prepare and submit to the competent authority a baseline report before starting operation of an installation or before a permit for an installation is updated for the first time after 7 January 2013.	Refer to Appendix B – Initial Site Report
	The baseline report shall contain the information necessary to determine the state of soil and groundwater contamination to make a quantified comparison with the state upon definitive cessation of activities provided for under paragraph 3.	
	The baseline report shall contain at least the following information:	
	(a) information on the present use and, where available, on past uses of the site;	
	(b) where available, existing information on soil and groundwater measurements that reflect the state at the time the report is drawn up or, alternatively, new soil and groundwater measurements having regard to the possibility of soil and groundwater contamination by those hazardous substances to be used, produced or released by the installation concerned.	
	Where information produced pursuant to other national or Union law fulfils the requirements of this paragraph that information may be included in, or attached to, the submitted baseline report.	
44	An application for a permit for a waste incineration plant or waste co-incineration plant shall include a description of the measures which are envisaged to guarantee that the following requirements are met:	Refer to section 2.2.1 of the Supporting Information.
	(a) the plant is designed, equipped and will be maintained and operated in such a manner that the requirements of this Chapter are met taking into account the categories of waste to be incinerated or co-incinerated;	

Article	Requirement	How met or reference
	(b) the heat generated during the incineration and co-incineration process is recovered as far as practicable through the generation of heat, steam or power;	Refer to section 1.4.4 of the Supporting Information and Appendix F
	(c) the residues will be minimised in their amount and harmfulness and recycled where appropriate;	Refer to section 2.9 of the Supporting Information.
	(d) the disposal of the residues which cannot be prevented, reduced or recycled will be carried out in conformity with national and Union law.	Refer to section 2.9 of the Supporting Information.
46 (1)	Waste gases from waste incineration plants and waste co-incineration plants shall be discharged in a controlled way by means of a stack the height of which is calculated in such a way as to safeguard human health and the environment.	Refer to Appendix D – Air Quality Assessment.
46 (2)	Emissions into air from waste incineration plants and waste co-incineration plants shall not exceed the emission limit values set out in parts 3 and 4 of Annex VI or determined in accordance with Part 4 of that Annex.	Refer to section 2.4.1 of the Supporting Information.
46 (5)	<ul> <li>Waste incineration plant sites and waste co-incineration plant sites, including associated storage areas for waste, shall be designed and operated in such a way as to prevent the unauthorised and accidental release of any polluting substances into soil, surface water and groundwater.</li> <li>Storage capacity shall be provided for contaminated rainwater run-off from the waste incineration plant site or waste co-incineration plant site or for contaminated water arising from spillage or firefighting operations. The storage capacity shall be adequate to ensure that such waters can be tested and treated before discharge where necessary.</li> </ul>	Refer to section 2.3 of the Supporting Information.
46 (6)	<ul> <li>Without prejudice to Article 50(4)(c), the waste incineration plant or waste co-incineration plant or individual furnaces being part of a waste incineration plant or waste co-incineration plant shall under no circumstances continue to incinerate waste for a period of more than 4 hours uninterrupted where emission limit values are exceeded.</li> <li>The cumulative duration of operation in such conditions over 1 year shall not exceed 60 hours.</li> <li>The time limit set out in the second subparagraph shall apply to those furnaces which are linked to</li> </ul>	Refer to Abnormal Emissions Assessment - Appendix D.
47	one single waste gas cleaning device.	
47	In the case of a breakdown, the operator shall reduce or cease operations as soon as practicable until normal operations can be restored.	Refer to section 2.2.3.7 of the Supporting Information.

Article	Requirement	How met or reference
48 (2)	The installation and functioning of the automated measuring systems shall be subject to control and to annual surveillance tests as set out in point 1 of Part 6 of Annex VI.	Refer to section 2.5.1.1 of the Supporting Information.
48 (4)	All monitoring results shall be recorded, processed and presented in such a way as to enable the competent authority to verify compliance with the operating conditions and emission limit values which are included in the permit.	Refer to section 2.5 of the Supporting Information.
49	The emission limit values for air and water shall be regarded as being complied with if the conditions described in Part 8 of Annex VI are fulfilled.	There will be no emissions from flue gas treatment systems to water/sewer from the thermal treatment of waste plant.
50 (1)	Waste incineration plants shall be operated in such a way as to achieve a level of incineration such that the total organic carbon content of slag and bottom ashes is less than 3% or their loss on ignition is less than 5% of the dry weight of the material. If necessary, waste pre-treatment techniques shall be used.	Refer to section 2.5.2.1 TOC or LOI testing.
50 (2)	Waste incineration plants shall be designed, equipped, built and operated in such a way that the gas resulting from the incineration of waste is raised, after the last injection of combustion air, in a controlled and homogeneous fashion and even under the most unfavourable conditions, to a temperature of at least 850oC for at least two seconds.	Refer to section 2.2.3.7 of the Supporting Information.
50 (3)	<ul> <li>Each combustion chamber of a waste incineration plant shall be equipped with at least one auxiliary burner. This burner shall be switched on automatically when the temperature of the combustion gases after the last injection of combustion air falls below the temperatures set out in paragraph 2. It shall also be used during plant start-up and shut-down operations to ensure that those temperatures are maintained at all times during these operations and as long as unburned waste is in the combustion chamber.</li> <li>The auxiliary burner shall not be fed with fuels which can cause higher emissions than those resulting from the burning of gas oil as defined in Article 2(2) of Council Directive 1999/32/EC of 26 April 1999 relating to a reduction in the sulphur content of certain liquid fuels (OJ L 121, 11.5, 1000, p. 13.) liquefied gas or patural gas</li> </ul>	Refer to sections 2.2.3.7 and 2.1.3.4 of the Supporting Information.
50 (4)	<ul><li>11.5.1999, p. 13.), liquefied gas or natural gas.</li><li>Waste incineration plants and waste co-incineration plants shall operate an automatic system to prevent waste feed in the following situations:</li></ul>	Refer to section 2.2.3.7 of the Supporting Information.

Article	Requirement	How met or reference
	(a) at start-up, until the temperature set out in paragraph 2 of this Article or the temperature specified in accordance with Article 51(1) has been reached;	
	(b) whenever the temperature set out in paragraph 2 of this Article or the temperature specified in accordance with Article 51(1) is not maintained;	Refer to section 2.2.3.7 of the Supporting Information.
	(c) whenever the continuous measurements show that any emission limit value is exceeded due to disturbances or failures of the waste gas cleaning devices.	Refer to section 2.2.3.7 of the Supporting Information.
50 (5)	Any heat generated by waste incineration plants or waste co-incineration plants shall be recovered as far as practicable.	Refer to section 2.8 of the Supporting Information and Appendix F
50 (6)	Infectious clinical waste shall be placed straight in the furnace, without first being mixed with other categories of waste and without direct handling.	This requirement will not apply as the Facility will not process or receive infectious clinical waste.
52 (1)	The operator of the waste incineration plant or waste co-incineration plant shall take all necessary precautions concerning the delivery and reception of waste in order to prevent or to limit as far as practicable the pollution of air, soil, surface water and groundwater as well as other negative effects on the environment, odours and noise, and direct risks to human health.	Refer to section 2.2 of the Supporting Information.
52 (2)	The operator shall determine the mass of each type of waste, if possible according to the European Waste List established by Decision 2000/532/EC, prior to accepting the waste at the waste incineration plant or waste co-incineration plant.	Refer to section 2.2.1 of the Supporting Information.
53 (1)	Residues shall be minimised in their amount and harmfulness. Residues shall be recycled, where appropriate, directly in the plant or outside.	Refer to section 2.2.3 and 2.9 of the Supporting Information.
53 (2)	Transport and intermediate storage of dry residues in the form of dust shall take place in such a way as to prevent dispersal of those residues in the environment.	Refer to section 2.9 of the Supporting Information and Appendix B.
53 (3)	Prior to determining the routes for the disposal or recycling of the residues, appropriate tests shall be carried out to establish the physical and chemical characteristics and the polluting potential of the residues. Those tests shall concern the total soluble fraction and heavy metals soluble fraction.	Refer to section 2.9 of the Supporting Information.

# 2.7.2 Requirements of the Waste Incineration BREF

The Final Waste Incineration BREF was published by the European IPCC Bureau in December 2019. As the facility had not been granted a PPC permit when the WI BREF was published, SEPA require the Operator to demonstrate that the Facility will be able to comply with the requirements set out in the BREF. Table 12 below identifies the requirements of the BAT conclusions and explains how the Facility will comply with them.

#	BAT Conclusion	How met or reference
1	To improve the overall environmental performance, BAT is to elaborate and implement an environmental management system (EMS) that incorporates all the features as listed in BAT 1 of the BREF.	A general summary of the proposed EMS is presented in Section 2.10 of the Supporting Information. The EMS will be developed throughout the development stage of the project and will be accredited to a suitably recognised standard.
		It is proposed that a pre-operational condition in included within the PPC Permit which requires Barr to provide a summary of the proposed EMS prior to commencement of operation.
2	BAT is to determine either the gross electrical efficiency, the gross energy efficiency, or the boiler efficiency of the incineration plant as a whole or of all the relevant parts of the incineration plant.	As stated in section 2.8.2.1 of the Supporting Information, the gross electrical efficiency of the plant is calculated to be approximately 31.5 %. Therefore, Barr understands that this satisfies the requirements of BAT 2. Additional efficiency information is contained within Appendix F.
3	BAT is to monitor key process parameters relevant for emissions to air and water including those given in BAT 3 of the BREF.	As set out in Section 2.5 of the Supporting Information, the process parameters for monitoring of emissions to air are as follows:
		water vapour content
		temperature; and
		• pressure.
		The oxygen content and flow rate of the flue gases will also be monitored. Temperature will be monitored in the combustion chamber.
		There will be no emissions of water from FGC systems and there will be no bottom ash treatment undertaken at the Facility – therefore, the process parameters to be monitored for emissions to water as listed in BAT 3 do not apply to the Facility.
		Barr can confirm that the Facility will include for monitoring of the key process parameters relevant for emissions to air in accordance with BAT 3.
4	BAT is to monitor channelled emissions to air with at least the frequency given in BAT 4 of the BREF and in accordance with EN standards. If EN standards are not available, BAT is to use ISO, national or other international standards that ensure the provision of data of an equivalent scientific quality.	As set out in section 2.5.1.1 of the Supporting Information, emissions to air will be monitored with frequencies in accordance with the requirements of the BREF. The methods and standards used for emissions monitoring will be in compliance with BREF requirements and other appropriate requirements.

#	BAT Conclusion	How met or reference
		Barr considers that the proposals for monitoring of emissions to air are in accordance with the requirements of BAT 4.
5	BAT is to appropriately monitor channelled emissions to air from the incineration plant during Other Than Normal Operating Conditions (OTNOC).	Barr understand that the UK regulatory agencies are currently consulting with the UK waste incineration industry on the definition of 'appropriate monitoring' of emissions to air during OTNOC. On this basis, Barr is not able to confirm how the Facility will comply with BAT 5.
		Barr proposes that a Pre-Operational Condition is included within the PPC permit which requires confirmation of the proposals for monitoring of emissions to air during OTNOC.
6	BAT is to monitor emissions to water from Flue Gas Cleaning (FGC) and/or bottom ash treatment with at least the frequencies set out in BAT 6 of the BREF and in accordance with EN standards. If EN standards are	As explained in section 2.1.3 of the Supporting Information, the Facility will utilise a dry flue gas treatment system. Therefore, there will not be any emissions to water from the FGC systems.
	not available, BAT is to use ISO, national or other international standards that ensure the provision of data of an equivalent scientific quality.	Furthermore, there will not be any emissions to water from the treatment or handling of bottom ash.
		Therefore, it is understood that the requirements of BAT 6 are not applicable to the Facility.
7	BAT is to monitor the content of unburnt substances in slags and bottom ashes at the incineration plant with at least the frequency as given in BAT 7 of the BREF (at least once every 3 months) and in accordance with EN standards.	Refer to section 2.5.2 of the Supporting Information. Barr considers that the proposals for monitoring of slags and bottom ashes are in accordance with the requirements of BAT 7.
8	For the incineration of hazardous waste containing POPs, BAT is to determine the POP content in the output streams (e.g. slags and bottom ashes, flue-gas, wastewater) after the commissioning of the incineration plant and after each change that may significantly affect the POP content in the output streams.	The Facility will not thermally treat hazardous waste. Therefore, Barr does not consider that the requirements of BAT 8 are applicable to the Facility.
9	In order to improve the overall environmental performance of the incineration plant by waste stream management (see BAT 1), BAT is to	The relevant techniques are described in section 2.2 of the Supporting Information.
use all of the techniques (a) to (c) as listed in BAT 9 of the BREF, and, It		It is understood that technique (f) of BAT 9 does not apply as the Facility will not thermally treat hazardous waste.

#	BAT Conclusion	How met or reference
		Barr considers that the proposed arrangements for the receipt and segregation of waste complies with the requirements of BAT 9.
10	To improve overall environmental performance of the bottom ash treatment plant, BAT is to include output quality management features in EMS (see BAT 1).	The Facility will not include a bottom ash treatment plant within the installation boundary. Therefore, Barr does not consider that the requirements of BAT 10 apply to the Facility.
11	In order to improve the overall environmental performance of the incineration plant, BAT is to monitor the waste deliveries as part of the waste acceptance procedures (see BAT 9c) including, depending on the risk posed by the incoming waste, the elements as listed in BAT 11 of the BREF.	<ul> <li>Periodic monitoring of waste deliveries will be undertaken at the Facility - refer to section 2.2 of the Supporting Information.</li> <li>The Facility will not undertake radioactivity detection tests as it is not anticipated that any radioactive waste will be received.</li> <li>Barr Environmental considers that the proposed arrangements for monitoring the waste deliveries as part of the waste acceptance procedures complies with the requirements of BAT 11.</li> </ul>
12	To reduce the environmental risks associated with the reception, handling and storage of waste, BAT is to use both of the following techniques: Use impermeable surfaces with an adequate drainage infrastructure; and Have adequate waste storage capacity.	The surfaces of the waste reception, handling and storage areas have been designed and will be constructed as impermeable structures. Adequate drainage infrastructure will be fitted to areas where receipt, handling and storage of waste takes place – these areas will have appropriate falls to the process water drainage system. The integrity of areas of hardstanding will be periodically verified by visual inspection. Regular maintenance of the drainage systems will be undertaken in accordance with documented management procedures to be developed for the Facility. Adequate waste storage capacity will be available on site – the maximum waste storage capacity of the waste bunker will be clearly established and not exceeded. The quantity of waste will be regularly monitored against the maximum storage capacity. During periods of planned maintenance, quantities of fuel within the bunker will be run down. During extended periods of shutdown, provisions will be made for the waste to be backloaded from the bunker and transferred to alternative licensed waste management facilities.

#	BAT Conclusion	How met or reference
		Barr considers that the proposed arrangements for environmental risks associated with the reception, handling and storage of waste comply with the requirements of BAT 11.
13	To reduce the environmental risk associated with the storage and handling of clinical waste, BAT is to use a combination of the techniques as listed in BAT 13 of the BREF.	The Facility will not be dedicated to the processing of clinical waste. In addition, the Facility will not receive hazardous clinical waste.
		Therefore, Barr Environmental considers that the requirements of BAT 13 are not applicable to the Facility.
14	In order to improve the overall environmental performance of the incineration of waste, to reduce the content of unburnt substances in slags and bottom ashes, and to reduce emissions to air from the incineration of waste, BAT is to use an appropriate combination of the techniques given as listed in BAT 14 of the BREF:	Bunker crane mixing and advanced control systems will be employed at the Facility.
		A modern and advanced control system, incorporating the latest advances in control and instrumentation technology, will be utilised at the Facility to control operations, optimise the process relative to efficient heat release, good burn-out and minimum particle carry over. As described in Section 2.2 of the Supporting Information, the system will control and/or monitor the main features of the plant operation including, but not limited to the following:
		combustion air;
		• fuel feed rate;
		• SNCR system;
		• flue gas oxygen concentration at the boiler exit;
		• flue gas composition at the stack (including HCl measurements);
		combustion process;
		• boiler feed pumps and feedwater control;
		• steam flow at the boiler outlet;
		steam outlet temperature;
		boiler drum level control;
		• flue gas control (including differential pressure across the bag filters);
		<ul> <li>power generation; and</li> </ul>

#	BAT Conclusion	How met or reference
		steam turbine exhaust pressure.
		Water, electricity and auxiliary fuel usage will also be monitored to highlight any abnormal usage.
		Barr considers that the proposed arrangements for ensuring the overall environmental performance of the thermal treatment of waste, to reduce the content of unburnt substances in slags and bottom ashes, and to reduce emissions to air from the thermal treatment of waste comply with the requirements of BAT 14.
15	In order to improve the overall environmental performance of the incineration plant and to reduce emissions to air, BAT is to set up and implement procedures for the adjustment of the plant's settings e.g. through the advanced control system, as and when needed and practicable, based on the characterisation and control of the waste (See	The Facility will be controlled from a dedicated control room, with an advanced control system to optimise the process. The system will control and/or monitor the main features of the plant operation, as described in the response to BAT 14 above. Emissions to air will be reduced by the adjustment of the plants settings through the advanced control system (refer to section 2.5)
	BAT 11).	Barr considers that the proposed control systems will ensure that the Facility is designed to allow for the adjustment of the plant's settings to comply with the requirements of BAT 15.
16	In order to improve the overall environmental performance of the incineration plant and to reduce emissions to air, BAT is to set up and implement operational procedures (e.g. organisation of the supply chain, continuous rather than batch operation) to limit as far as practicable shutdown and start-up operations.	The Facility will operate continuously, with planned shutdowns for maintenance limited as far as reasonably practicable. Waste will be kept at suitable levels in the waste bunker to maintain operation during holiday periods. Operational procedures will be developed to limit as far as practicable shutdown and start-up operations.
		Barr considers that the operation of the Facility will limit as far as practicable shutdown and start-up operations to comply with the requirements of BAT 16.
17	In order to reduce emissions to air and, where relevant, to water from the incineration plant, BAT is to ensure that the FGC system and the wastewater treatment plant are appropriately designed (e.g. considering the maximum flow rate and pollutant concentration), operated within	The FGT and wastewater treatment systems will be appropriately designed and operated within the design range. The FGC and wastewater treatment systems will be subject to regular maintenance through the implementation of documented management procedures.
	their design range, and maintained so as to ensure optimal availability.	Barr considers that the design and operation of the FGC and wastewater treatment plants will ensure that emissions to air (and water where applicable) are reduced,

#	BAT Conclusion	How met or reference
		and will ensure their optimal availability, to comply with the requirements of BAT 17.
18	In order to reduce the frequency of the occurrence of OTNOC and to reduce emissions to air and, where relevant, to water from the incineration plant during OTNOC, BAT is to set up and implement a risk- based OTNOC management plan as part of the EMS (See BAT 1) that includes the elements as identified in BAT 18 of the BREF.	<ul> <li>A risk based OTNOC management plan will be incorporated into the Facility EMS. This will include the following elements:</li> <li>Identification of potential OTNOC, root causes and potential consequences.</li> <li>Regular update of the list of identified OTNOC following periodic assessment.</li> <li>Appropriate design of critical equipment (the Facility will utilise compartmentalisation of the bag filter and ensure that the bag filter is not bypassed during periods of start-up or shutdown).</li> <li>Implementation of preventative maintenance plans for critical equipment.</li> <li>Monitoring and recording of emissions during OTNOC and associated circumstances.</li> <li>Periodic assessment of the emissions and circumstances occurring during OTNOC and implementation of corrective actions if necessary.</li> <li>Barr considers that the incorporation of a risk based OTNOC management plan will ensure the Facility compliance with BAT 18.</li> </ul>
19	To increase resource efficiency of the incineration plant, BAT is to use a heat recovery boiler.	The Facility will use a heat recovery boiler to produce steam which is used to produce electricity. The Facility will also have the provision to export heat to local users. Barr considers that the use of a heat recovery boiler is in direct compliance with the requirements of BAT 19.
20	To increase energy efficiency of the incineration plant, BAT is to use an appropriate combination of techniques as listed in BAT 20 of the BREF.	The Facility will use techniques as described in section 2.7.2 to increase the energy efficiency of the plant. Barr considers that the techniques listed above will increase the energy efficiency of the plant and ensure that the Facility will comply with the requirements of BAT 20.

#	BAT Conclusion	How met or reference
21	To prevent or reduce diffuse emissions from the incineration plant, including odour emissions, BAT is to use the methods as stated in BAT 21 of the BREF.	<ul> <li>In accordance with the BREF, the Facility will employ the following measures to reduce odour emissions:</li> <li>Waste in the Facility will be stored in an enclosed building under negative pressure. The extracted air will be used as combustion air for thermal treatment.</li> <li>The operation of the Facility will not give rise of odorous liquid wastes. Therefore, the requirement to store liquid wastes in tanks under controlled pressure and duct the tank vents to the combustion air feed or other suitable abatement system will not apply to the Facility.</li> <li>Odour will be controlled during shutdown periods by minimising the amount of waste in storage. Waste will be run-down prior to periods of planned maintenance, and there will also be provisions in place to back-load waste from the waste bunker during extended periods of unplanned shutdown. In addition, doors to the tipping hall will be kept shut during periods of shutdown.</li> </ul>
22	In order to prevent diffuse emissions of volatile compounds from the handling of gaseous and liquid wastes that are odorous and/or prone to releasing volatile substances at incineration plants, BAT is to feed them to the furnace by direct feeding.	The measures listed above to reduce odour emissions will ensure that the Facility will comply with the requirements of BAT 21. Gaseous wastes will not be accepted by the Facility. It is not anticipated that liquid wastes will be received at the Facility, but should any liquid wastes be received, they will be delivered in containers suitable for thermal treatment (such as drums) and fed directly into the furnace. Therefore, the requirements of BAT 22 do not apply to the Facility.
23	To prevent or reduce diffuse dust emissions to air from the treatment of slags and bottom ashes, BAT is to include in the EMS the diffuse dust emission management features as listed within BAT 23 of the BREF:	There will not be treatment of slags and/or bottom ashes undertaken on-site. Therefore, the requirements of BAT 23 do not apply to the Facility. However, identification of the most relevant diffuse dust emissions, and definition and implementation of appropriate actions and techniques, will be included within the scope of the EMS at the Facility.
24	To prevent or reduce diffuse dust emissions to air from the treatment of slags and bottom ashes, BAT is to use an appropriate combination of the techniques as given in BAT 24 of the BREF.	There will not be treatment of slags and/or bottom ashes undertaken on-site. Therefore, the requirements of BAT 24 do not apply to the Facility. However, it can

#	BAT Conclusion	How met or reference
		be confirmed that the following techniques will be employed at the Facility to minimise dust emissions:
		• All ash handling including conveying undertaken within enclosed buildings.
		• Where possible, minimising the height of ash discharge.
		• Use of a water ash quench to minimise the generation of dusts from ash handling activities.
25	To reduce channelled emission to air of dust, metals and metalloids from the incineration of waste, BAT is to use one or a combination of the	In accordance with the BREF, the following techniques will be utilised at the Facility to reduce channelled emissions to air:
	techniques as listed in BAT 25 of the BREF.	• Bag filters – to reduce particulate content of the flue gas.
		• Dry sorbent injection – adsorption of metals by injection of activated carbon in combination with injection of dry lime to abate acid gases.
		The concentrations of metals and metalloids will be monitored in accordance with the PPC Permit for the Facility. It is considered by Barr that the techniques listed above to reduce channelled emissions to air will ensure that the Facility will comply with the requirements of BAT 25.
26	To reduce channelled dust emissions to air from the enclosed treatment of slags and bottom ashes with extraction of air (See BAT 24 f), BAT is to treat the extracted air with a bag filter.	There will not be treatment of slags and/or bottom ashes undertaken on-site. Therefore, the requirements of BAT 26 do not apply to the Facility. The bottom ash hall will not be held under negative pressure, however the methods as listed in response to BAT 24 will enable dust emissions to be minimised from the handling of bottom ash.
27	To reduce channelled emissions of HCl, HF and SO2 to air from the incineration of waste, BAT is to use one or a combination of the techniques as listed in BAT 27 of the BREF.	In accordance with the BREF, the following techniques will be utilised at the Facility to reduce channelled emissions to air of HCl, HF and $SO_2$ :
		• Dry sorbent injection – adsorption of metals by injection of activated carbon in combination with injection of dry lime to abate acid gases.
		It is considered by Barr that the use of dry sorbent injection to reduce channelled emissions to air of acid gases is in compliance with the requirements of BAT 27.

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28	In order to reduce channelled peak emissions of HCl, HF and SO <sub>2</sub> to air from the incineration of waste while limiting the consumption of reagents and the amount of residues generated from dry sorbent	In accordance with the BREF, the following techniques will be employed at the Facility to reduce peak emissions of HCl, HF and SO <sub>2</sub> whilst limiting reagent consumption and residue generation from dry sorbent injection:	
	injection and semi-wet absorbers, BAT is to use optimised and automated reagent dosage, or both the previous technique and the recirculation of reagents.	• The concentration of hydrogen chloride in the flue gases upstream of the flue gas treatment system will be measured to optimise the performance of the emissions abatement equipment, including automated reagent dosage.	
		• A proportion of the APC residues will be recirculated to reduce the amount of unreacted reagent in the residues.	
		• The concentrations of HCl, HF and SO <sub>2</sub> released from the Facility will comply with BREF limits.	
		The techniques listed above to reduce channelled peak emissions to air of acid gases will ensure that the Facility will comply with the requirements of BAT 28.	
29	In order to reduce channelled NOx emissions to air while limiting emissions of CO and N <sub>2</sub> O from the incineration of waste, and the emissions of NH <sub>3</sub> from the use of SNCR and/or SCR, BAT is to use an appropriate combination of the techniques as listed in BAT 29 of the BREF.	The following elements have been incorporated into the design of the Facility:	
		<ul> <li>optimisation of the thermal treatment process via the use of an advanced control system and monitoring of process parameters (refer to the response to BAT 14);</li> </ul>	
		• an SNCR system; and	
		• optimisation of the design and operation of the SNCR system (through CFD modelling to optimise the location and number of injection nozzles, and optimisation of reagent dosing to minimise ammonia slip).	
		As justified in 2.6.2 of the Supporting Information, it is currently assumed that flue gas recirculation will not be employed at the Facility.	
		The design elements listed above to reduce channelled NOx emissions to air (whilst limiting emissions of CO, $N_2O$ and $NH_3$ ) will ensure that the Facility will comply with the requirements of BAT 29.	
30	In order to reduce channelled emissions to air of organic compounds including PCDD/F and PCBs from the incineration of waste, BAT is to use	The Facility will employ the following techniques to reduce channelled emission to air of organic compounds:	

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	techniques (a), (b), (c), (d), and one or a combination of techniques (e) to (i) as listed in BAT 30 of the BREF.	• Optimisation of the thermal treatment process – the boiler will be designed to minimise the formation of dioxins and furans as follows:
		• Minimise residence time in critical cooling section to avoid slow rates of combustion gas cooling, minimising the potential for 'de-novo' formation of dioxins and furans.
		• Utilisation of an SNCR system which inhibits dioxin formation and promotes their destruction.
		• Keep transfer surfaces as low as possible, around 170°C subject to other reaction considerations.
		• Apply CFD modelling to the design where appropriate to ensure gas velocities are in a range that negates the formation of stagnant pockets/low velocities.
		Minimise volume in critical cooling sections.
		• Prevent boundary layers of slow-moving gas along boiler surfaces via good design and regular maintenance.
		• Online and offline boiler cleaning through a regular maintenance schedule to reduce dust residence time and accumulation in the boiler, thus reducing PCDD/F formation in the boiler.
		• Dry sorbent injection using activated carbon and dry lime, in combination with a bag filter.
		The concentrations of dioxins and furans released from the Facility will comply with BREF limits.
		The techniques listed above to reduce channelled emission to air of organic compounds will ensure that the Facility will comply with the requirements of BAT 30.
31	To reduce channelled mercury emissions to air (including mercury emission peaks) from the incineration of waste, BAT is to use one or a combination of the techniques as listed in BAT 31 of the BREF.	In accordance with the BREF, dry sorbent injection of activated carbon will be employed at the Facility in combination with a bag filter. It is considered by Barr that the use of these techniques will ensure that the Facility will comply with the requirements of BAT 31.

#	BAT Conclusion	How met or reference
32	To prevent the contamination of uncontaminated water, to reduce emissions to water, and to increase resource efficiency, BAT is to segregate wastewater streams and to treat them separately, depending on their characteristics.	There will be separate foul/domestic water, process water and surface water drainage systems at the Facility.
		Foul effluents from domestic sources will be discharged to foul sewer.
		It can be confirmed that there will be no wastewater arising from flue gas treatment. Bottom ash handling will be undertaken in an enclosed building with a dedicated drainage system.
		The drainage in the Facility waste reception, handling and storage areas will be contained, with any process water collected reused within the process (e.g. in the ash quench). Process water will be collected in an intermediate storage vessel prior to re-use.
		Uncontaminated water streams, such as surface water run-off, will be segregated from other wastewater streams requiring treatment. Surface water runoff from roadways and vehicle movement areas will pass through interceptors to contain oil and sediments prior to discharge. Areas where liquid raw materials are stored (e.g. liquid ammonia) will be covered to prevent contaminated surface water from leaving the site.
		An indicative water flow diagram depicting the segregation of different water streams for the Facility is presented in Appendix A.
		It is considered by Barr that the segregation and treatment of different wastewater streams, as described above, will ensure that the Facility will comply with the requirements of BAT 32.
33	To reduce water usage and to prevent or reduce the generation of wastewater from the incineration plant, BAT is to use one or a	In accordance with the BREF, the following techniques will be utilised at the Facility to reduce water usage and prevent wastewater generation:
	combination of the techniques as listed in BAT 33 of the BREF.	<ul> <li>Use of an FGC system that does not generate wastewater – by utilising dry sorbet injection of lime and PAC.</li> </ul>
		• Water reuse and recycling in the process – effluents generated by the process will be re-used within the process, e.g. in the ash quench. Under normal operation the Facility will not generate process effluent.

#	BAT Conclusion	How met or reference
		It is considered by Barr that the techniques listed above to reduce water usage and prevent/reduce the generation of wastewater will ensure that the Facility will comply with the requirements of BAT 33.
34	In order to reduce emissions to water from FGC and/or from the storage and treatment of slags and bottom ashes, BAT is to use an appropriate	There will be no treatment of slags and bottom ashes undertaken on-site. In addition, there will be no emission to water from FGC.
	combination of the techniques as listed in BAT 34 of the BREF, and to use secondary techniques as close as possible to the source in order to avoid dilution.	The risk of emissions to water from the storage of bottom ash at the Facility will be minimised – any overflow from the ash quench will be contained in the process effluent drainage system and hence there will not be any release of effluent from the ash quench system.
		In accordance with BAT 34 (a), the thermal treatment process and the FGC process will be optimised to target pollutants such as dioxins and furans, and ammonia – refer to the responses to BAT 29 and 30 above.
		It is considered by Barr that the Facility will comply with the requirements of BAT 34 by reducing emissions to water from the storage of bottom ash as per the design measures described above.
35	To increase resource efficiency, BAT is to handle and treat bottom ashes separately from FGC residues.	It can be confirmed that bottom ash and APCr will be handled and disposed of separately at the Facility, refer to section 2.9.
		Barr considers that the Facility will comply with the requirements of BAT 35.
36	In order to increase resource efficiency for the treatment of slags and bottom ashes, BAT is to use an appropriate combination of the techniques as listed in BAT 36 of the BREF, based on a risk assessment depending on the hazardous properties of the slags and bottom ashes.	There will be no bottom ash treatment undertaken at the Facility. Therefore, it is understood that the requirements of BAT 36 do not apply to the Facility.
37	To prevent or, where that is not practicable, to reduce noise emissions, BAT is to use one or a combination of the techniques as listed in BAT 37 of the BREF.	In accordance with the requirements of BAT 37, it can be confirmed that the following techniques will be employed at the Facility to prevent or reduce noise emissions:
		• Appropriate location of equipment and buildings – in accordance with normal industry practice, the technology provider will implement an efficient layout to result in relatively quiet operational noise levels.

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		• Operational measures – regular inspection and maintenance of equipment will be undertaken. Doors to buildings will remain closed as far as is reasonably practicable. Waste deliveries will take place primarily during daytime hours.
		• Low-noise equipment – the proposed technology provider will optimise plant selection to ensure that the most efficient and 'quietest' technology is selected.
		<ul> <li>Noise attenuation – plant rooms will have been acoustically designed for limiting noise emissions to acceptable levels for compliance with relevant workplace regulations.</li> </ul>
		• Noise-control equipment/infrastructure – where appropriate, acoustic cladding will be used on buildings.
		For a detailed list of principal noise sources and mitigation measures – refer to the Noise Assessment presented in Appendix C.
		It is considered by Barr that the techniques listed above to reduce noise emissions will ensure that the Facility will comply with the requirements of BAT 37.

#### 2.8 Energy efficiency

#### 2.8.1 General

The Facility will utilise a steam boiler which will generate steam to be supplied to a turbine, for electricity generation and subsequent export off-site. Electricity will be supplied to the local electricity grid via a power transformer which increases the voltage to the appropriate level. The Facility has been designed as a combined heat and power plant, and will also have the capacity to provide heat to potentially export heat generated off-site. Further details of the heat export opportunities are provided in the Heat and Power Plan within Appendix F.

In considering the energy efficiency of the Facility, due account has been taken of the requirements of the Horizontal Guidance Note H2 on Energy Efficiency and subsequent guidance 'Energy efficiency standards for industrial plants to get environmental permits'.

#### 2.8.2 Basic energy requirements

An indicative Sankey Diagram for the thermal treatment of waste plant for the 'No heat export' case is presented in Figure 3.

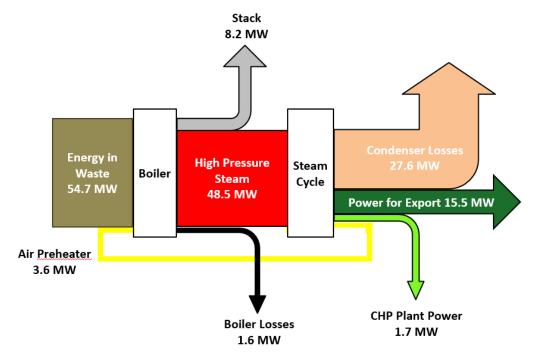


Figure 3: Indicative Sankey Diagram - No Heat Case

The Facility has been designed to generate up to approximately 17.2 MW<sub>e</sub> gross power at the design point and is capable of exporting up to approximately 5 MW<sub>th</sub> of heat. The Facility will have a parasitic load of approximately 1.7 MW<sub>e</sub>, therefore it will be capable of exporting approximately 15.5 MW<sub>e</sub> of power assuming that no heat is exported. The power exported will fluctuate depending on whether heat is exported or not.

As stated previously, the Facility will have a nominal design capacity of 150,000 tonnes per annum (tpa). At the nominal design capacity of 150,000 tpa, the Facility will generate approximately 124,000 MWh and export 137,600 MWh of electricity per annum.

#### 2.8.2.1 Energy consumption and thermal efficiency

The most significant energy consumers are anticipated to be the following:

- primary and secondary combustion air fans;
- Induced Draft fans;
- boiler feed water pumps;
- ACC fans;
- air compressors;
- fuel loading systems and residue conveying systems; and
- offices and ancillary rooms.

The Facility will be designed with careful attention being paid to all normal energy efficiency design features, such as high efficiency motors, high efficiency variable speed drives, high standards of cladding and insulation etc.

Flue gas flow will be reduced through improving primary and secondary combustion air distribution, therefore reducing the energy demand of the plant (for ID fans). The use of flue gas recirculation (FGR) will be examined during detailed design of the Facility however it is currently assumed that the Facility will not employ FGR.

Superheated steam will be supplied to the turbine at a temperature of approximately 430°C under a pressure of 51 bar abs – these high steam conditions allow for high electrical conversion efficiency.

The Facility will also be designed to achieve a high thermal efficiency. In particular:

- The boilers will be equipped with economisers and superheaters to optimise thermal cycle efficiency without prejudicing boiler tube life, having regard for the nature of the waste fuel that is combusted;
- Unnecessary releases of steam and hot water will be avoided, to avoid the loss of boiler water treatment chemicals and the heat contained within the steam and water;
- Low grade heat will be extracted from the turbine and used to preheat combustion air in order to improve the efficiency of the thermal cycle;
- Provision will be made for heat to be exported to local heat users where viable;
- Steady operation will be maintained where necessary by using auxiliary fuel firing; and
- Boiler heat exchange surfaces will be cleaned on a regular basis to ensure efficient heat recovery.

Due consideration will be given to the recommendations given in the relevant Sector Guidance Notes.

#### 2.8.2.2 Operating and maintenance procedures

An O&M manual will be developed for the Facility. The O&M procedures will include the following aspects.

- 1. Good maintenance and housekeeping techniques and regimes across the whole plant.
- 2. Plant Condition Monitoring will be carried out on a regular basis. This will ensure, amongst other things, that motors are operating efficiently, insulation and cladding are not damaged and that there are no significant leaks.
- 3. Operators will be trained in energy awareness and will be encouraged to identify opportunities for energy efficiency improvements.

#### 2.8.2.3 Energy efficiency measures

An energy efficiency plan will be built into the operation and maintenance procedures of the Facility ensuring maximum practical, sustainable, safe and controllable electricity generation. This plan will be reviewed regularly as part of the environmental management systems.

During normal operation, procedures will be reviewed and amended, where necessary, to include improvements in efficiency as and when proven new equipment and operating techniques become available. These are assessed on the implementation cost compared with the anticipated benefits.

#### 2.8.2.4 Energy efficiency benchmarks

As presented in Table 13, the relevant design parameters for the Facility have been are compared with the benchmark data for MSW incineration plants, given in the Sector Guidance Note S5.01 and in the Waste Incineration BREF.

Parameter	Unit	The Facility	Benchmark
Net power generation, design capacity (150,000 tpa at 8,000 hours availability)	MWh/t waste	0.827	0.279-0.458
Internal power consumption, design capacity (150,000 tpa at 8,000 hours availability)	MWh/t waste	0.091	0.15
Power generation (assumed gross) for 100,000 tpa of waste	MWe	11.5	5-9

Table 13: Facility design parameters comparison table

Benchmark sources: EPR 5.01 for power generation per 100,000 tpa of waste, WI BREF otherwise

As stated in section 2.7.2, during commissioning of the Facility, the Performance Test will be undertaken at full load to determine the overall energy efficiency of the as-built Facility.

#### 2.8.3 Thermal treatment of waste guidelines

In accordance with the requirements of the Thermal Treatment of Waste Guidelines (2015), a Heat and Power Plan for the Facility is presented within Appendix F.

#### 2.8.4 Further energy efficiency requirements

In accordance with Article 44 of the Industrial Emissions Directive, heat should be recovered as far as practicable. In order to demonstrate this, the following points should be noted:

- 1. Economisers will be installed to recover flue gas heat, compatibly with the temperature requirements of the flue gas treatment system.
- 2. The boilers will operate with superheated steam.

The Facility will not be subject to a Climate Change Levy agreement.

#### 2.9 Residue recovery and disposal

The main residue streams which will arise from the operation of the Facility are:

1. Incinerator Bottom Ash; and

2. Air Pollution Control residues (APCr).

As described in sections 2.9.1 and 2.9.2, the residue recovery and disposal techniques will be in accordance with the indicative BAT requirements. The residues generated from the operation of the Facility are summarised in Table 14.

Prior to the transfer of any residues off-site, where appropriate, the residues will be tested in accordance with the requirements of Technical Guidance WM3: '*Guidance on the classification and assessment of waste'*.

Any materials which are to be transferred to landfill from the Facility will be Waste Acceptance Criteria (WAC) tested – leachability tested – to ensure that they meet the WAC for the landfill that they are to be transferred to.

In accordance with the requirements of Article 4 (Waste Hierarchy) of the Waste Framework Directive, which sets out the priorities for the prevention and management of waste, Barr will review the options for the recovery and recycling of all residues generated by the Facility.

#### 2.9.1 Incinerator Bottom Ash

Ash which is collected in the boiler (boiler ash) will be mixed with ash which comes off the end of the grate (bottom ash). The mixture of boiler ash and bottom ash, known as IBA, is normally a non-hazardous waste which can be recycled and is referred to as Incinerator Bottom Ash (IBA). If the boiler ash were to be mixed with the APCr, the mixture would be defined as hazardous waste and this would restrict the ability of the operator to transfer the boiler ash for recovery.

The IBA will be stored in an enclosed ash hall. Initial ash handling will be undertaken in enclosed buildings, with the ash maintained wet from quenching to prevent the fugitive release of any dust emissions off site. In addition, any overflow from the ash quench will be contained in the process effluent drainage system and hence will not be released off-site.

It is currently proposed to transfer IBA off site for recovery or recycling.

#### 2.9.2 Air Pollution Control residue

APCr is predominantly composed of calcium as hydroxide, carbonate, sulphate and chloride/hydroxide complexes. Typical major element concentration ranges for the UK residues are as follows:

- 30-36% w/w calcium;
- 12-15% w/w chlorine;
- 8-10% w/w carbonate (as C); and
- 3-4% w/w sulphate (as S).

Silicon, aluminium, iron, magnesium and fluorine are also present in addition to traces of dioxins and the following heavy metals: zinc, lead, manganese, copper, chromium, cadmium, mercury, and arsenic.

APCr is classified as hazardous (due to its elevated pH) in accordance with technical guidance 'WM3: Waste Classification – Guidance on the classification and assessment of waste'. Hazardous Waste and requires specialist landfill disposal or treatment. It may be possible to send the residue to an effluent treatment contractor, to be used to neutralise acids and similar materials. Using the residues in this way avoids the use of primary materials. If these options are not available, then it will be sent to a suitably licensed hazardous waste landfill for disposal as a hazardous waste.

#### 2.9.3 Summary

The expected quantities and properties of the main residue streams generated from the operation of the Facility are summarised in Table 14.

Table 14:	Key residue	streams	from	the	Facility	
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Source/ Material	Properties of Residue	Storage location/ storage capacity	Estimated quantity of residue generated (tpa)	Disposal Route and Transport Method	Expected Frequency
IBA	Grate ash (mixed with boiler ash). This ash is relatively inert, classified as non-hazardous.	Ash room, 510 tonnes	33,850	To be removed from site for processing and recycling into secondary aggregate.	1 – 7 days
APCr	Ash from flue gas treatment, may contain some unreacted lime.	1 x Silo, 243 m <sup>3</sup> total capacity	6,490	Recycled or disposed of in a licensed site for hazardous waste. Transport occurs by road vehicle.	3 – 7 days

#### 2.10 Management

As defined in Part 1 of the Pollution Prevention and Control Regulations (2012), the operator is 'the person who has control over the operation of the installation or plant'.

Barr expects that the day-to-day operation of the Facility will be subcontracted to a third-party organisation through an operation and maintenance (O&M) contract. Barr will ensure that under the O&M contract they retain control and ownership of the Facility and it will be operated to the exact instruction of Barr.

Barr regards the ISO 14001 certification to be of considerable importance and relevance to a waste treatment facilities, and has implemented an environmental management systems in accordance with BS EN ISO 14001:2015 Environmental Management System Standard. A copy of Barr's ISO 14001 is presented in Appendix XX. Barr will require its O&M contractor to implement an environmental management systems in accordance with the ISO 14001 standard to cover the operation and maintenance of the Facility.

Sections 2.10.1 to 2.10.4 provide a general overview of the management systems which will be implemented at the Facility.

#### 2.10.1 Scope and structure

The scope of the EMS ISO 14001 certification will cover two key areas:

- the operation of the plant; and
- the processing of controlled waste (including transport, storage, treatment and disposal).

Where applicable, documented procedures will detail specifically how each activity is to be controlled. These will be contained in the Environmental Procedures Manual and identified related documents.

The site EMS will contain procedures for accident management that comply with the requirements set out in S5.01. This will be in the form of an accident management plan that will be developed before the Facility is commissioned.

- Monitoring and recording of emissions during OTNOC and associated circumstances.
- Periodic assessment of emissions occurring during OTNOC and implementation of corrective actions if necessary.

#### 2.10.2 General requirements

Barr will maintain its EMS in accordance with the ISO 14001 standard, and will require its O&M contractor to implement a similar environmental management systems for the operation of the Facility. Barr will ensure that the EMS objectives and scope meet these requirements by:

- identifying potential environmental impacts;
- documenting and implementing standard procedures to mitigate and control these impacts;
- determining a procedural hierarchy that considers the interaction of the relevant processes;
- ensuring adequate responsibility, authority and resources to management necessary to support the IMS;
- establishing performance indicators to measure the effectiveness of the procedures;
- monitoring, measuring and analysing the procedures for effectiveness; and

• implementing actions as required based on the results of auditing to ensure continual improvements of the processes.

The documented procedures within the EMS will include for scenarios of OTNOC and abnormal operation as required by the IED and WI BREF.

#### 2.10.3 Personnel

Day-to-day operation and maintenance of the Facility will be undertaken by the O&M contractor under the instruction of Barr. Barr will ensure that sufficient numbers of staff, in various grades, are provided to manage, operate and maintain the plant on a continuous basis, seven days per week throughout the year. The plant will be managed, operated and maintained by experienced managers, boiler operators and maintenance staff. The key environmental management responsibilities will be allocated as described below:

The key environmental management responsibilities will be allocated as described below (job titles stated as examples).

- The General Manager will have overall responsibility for management of the site and compliance with the operating permit. They will also be responsible for waste management and scheduling. The general manager will have extensive experience relevant to their responsibilities.
- The Environment Manager will be responsible for the development and management of the EMS, for the monitoring of authorised releases and for interaction with SEPA.
- The Health and Safety manager would be responsible for the management of health and safety systems on-site.
- The Operations Manager will have day-to-day responsibility for the operation of the plant, to ensure that the plant is operated in accordance with the permit and that the environmental impact of the plant's operations is minimised. In this context, they will be responsible for designing and implementing operating procedures which incorporate environmental aspects.
- The Maintenance Manager will be responsible for the management of maintenance activities, for maintenance planning and for ensuring that the plant continues to operate in accordance with its design.

Numerous other staff will be employed in various roles, such as technicians, store managers, shift and day operators, team leaders and supervisors, finance and administration staff.

#### 2.10.4 Competence, training and awareness

Barr will aim to ensure that any persons performing tasks for it, or on its behalf, which have the potential to cause significant environmental impact, are competent based on appropriate education and training or experience.

The EMS will contain a training procedures to make employees aware of:

- the importance of conformity with the environment policies and procedures and with the requirements of the EMS;
- potentially significant environmental aspects associated with their work;
- their roles and responsibilities in achieving conformity with the requirements of the EMS, including emergency preparedness and response requirements;
- the relevance and importance of their activities and how they contribute to the achievement of the environmental and quality objectives; and

• the potential consequences of the departure from specified procedures.

Barr will comply with industry standards or codes of practice for training (e.g. WAMITAB or similar), where they exist. This will include ensuring that a suitable number of employees that have achieved the WAMITAB level 4 in waste management operations: managing thermal treatment – hazardous waste: pyrolysis and gasification, or similar qualification to be agreed with SEPA. At this stage Barr do not currently employ any staff with the relevant WAMITAB (or similar) qualifications for the operation of this type of Facility. However, Barr is an experienced waste management company and has successfully delivered operational waste management facilities in Scotland. CV's for the Barr team responsible for the development of the project are presented in Appendix. This shows that the team involved in the development of the project are experienced in the development of waste projects.

#### 2.10.4.1 Competence

The O&M contractors line management will identify the minimum competencies required for each role. These will then be applied to the recruitment process to ensure that key role responsibilities are satisfied. Particular attention will be paid to potential candidate's experience, qualifications, knowledge and skills.

#### 2.10.4.2 Induction and awareness

Staff induction programmes are location and job role specific and will include, as a minimum, the induction of:

- the Environmental Policy;
- the Health and Safety Policy and Procedures; and
- the EMS Awareness Training.

#### 2.10.4.3 Training

Staff training will be completed during commissioning of the Facility and prior to commencement of operation. Line Managers or similar will identify and monitor staff training needs as part of an appraisal system. The training needs of employees will be addressed using on-the-job training, mentoring, internal training and external training courses/events.

Training records will be maintained onsite. Barr will ensure that the O&M contractor complies with industry standards or codes of practice for training (e.g. WAMITAB or similar), where they exist.

#### 2.11 Closure

The Facility is designed for an operational life of more than 25 years, but the actual operational lifetime is dependent on a number of factors including:

- the continued supply of waste; and
- the development of alternative methods competing for the same waste fuels.

When the Facility has reached the end of its operational life, it may be redeveloped for extended use or demolished as part of a redevelopment scheme and the site cleared and left in a 'satisfactory state', as defined in *TG2: PPC Technical Guidance Note Content and Scope of Site Reports*.

Barr recognises that the design, operation and the maintenance procedures facilitate decommissioning in a safe manner without risk of pollution, contamination or excessive disturbance to noise, dust, odour, groundwater and surface watercourses.

A detailed Site Closure Plan will be developed and submitted to SEPA prior to the commencement of operation. It is anticipated that the closure plan will include the information identified in sections 2.11.1 to 2.11.3.

#### 2.11.1 General requirements

- underground pipework to be avoided except for supply and discharge utilities such as towns water, sewerage lines and gas supply;
- safe removal of all chemical and hazardous materials;
- adequate provision for drainage, vessel cleaning and dismantling of pipework;
- disassembly and containment procedures for insulation, materials handling equipment, material extraction equipment, fabric filters and other filtration equipment without significant leakage, spillage, release of dust or other hazardous substance;
- where practicable, the use of construction material which can be recovered (such as metals);
- methodology for the removal/decommissioning of components and structures to minimise the exposure of noise, disturbance, dust and odours and for the protection of surface and groundwater;
- soil and groundwater sampling and testing of sensitive areas to ensure the minimum disturbance (sensitive areas to be selected with reference to the initial site report and any ongoing monitoring undertaken during operation of the Facility).

#### 2.11.2 Specific details

- a list of recyclable materials/components and current potential outlet sources;
- a list of materials/components not suitable for recycle and potential outlet sources;
- a list of materials to go to landfill with current recognised analysis, where appropriate;
- a list of all chemicals and hazardous materials, location and current containment methods; and
- a bill of materials detailing total known quantities of items throughout the site such as:
  - steelwork;
  - plastics;
  - cables;
  - concrete and civils materials;
  - oils;
  - chemicals;
  - consumables;
  - contained water and effluents; and
  - IBA and APCr.

#### 2.11.3 Disposal routes

Each of the items listed within the Bill of Materials will have a recognised or special route for disposal identified; e.g. Landfill by a licensed contractor, disposal by high sided, fully sheeted road vehicle or for sale to a scrap metal dealer, disposal by skip/fully enclosed container, dealer to collect and disposal by container via road.

#### 2.12 Improvement programme

Barr is committed to continual environmental improvement of all their operations and is therefore proposing that a small number of Pre-Operational Conditions and Improvement Conditions be incorporated into the final PPC permit. These have been set out in the sections below. It is understood that the proposed conditions are consistent with PPC Permits which have been granted for other thermal treatment of waste facilities in Scotland.

#### 2.12.1 Prior to commissioning

Prior to commencement of commissioning of the Facility, Barr will comply with the typical Pre-Operational Conditions which will be included for this type of facility, as follows:

- Submit a written report to SEPA, on the details of the Computational Fluid Dynamic (CFD) modelling used in the design of the boiler. The report will demonstrate whether the BAT design stage requirements, given in the sector S5.01, have been completed. In particular, the report will demonstrate whether the residence time and temperature requirements will be met.
- Submit to SEPA for approval a protocol for the sampling and testing of bottom ash for the purposes of assessing its hazard status. Sampling and testing shall be carried out in accordance with the protocol as approved.
- Provide a written commissioning plan, including timelines for completion, for approval by SEPA. The commissioning plan shall include the expected emissions to the environment during the different stages of commissioning, the expected durations of commissioning activities and the actions to be taken to protect the environment and report to SEPA in the event that actual emissions exceed expected emissions. Commissioning shall be carried out in accordance with the commissioning plan as approved.

#### 2.12.2 Post commissioning

Following commissioning of the Facility, Barr will comply with the typical Improvement Conditions which will be included for this type of facility, as follows:

- Submit a written report to SEPA describing the performance and optimisation of the NOx abatement system and combustion settings to minimise oxides of nitrogen (NOx) emissions within the emission limit values described in this permit with the minimisation of nitrous oxide emissions. The report will include an assessment of the level of NOx and N<sub>2</sub>O emissions that can be achieved under optimum operating conditions.
- Submit a written summary report to SEPA to confirm by the results of calibration and verification testing that the performance of Continuous Emissions Monitoring System (CEMS) complies with the requirements of BS EN 14181, specifically the requirements of QAL1, QAL2 and QAL3.
- Submit a written report to SEPA on the commissioning of the installation. The report will summarise the environmental performance of the Facility as installed against the design parameters set out in the Application.
- Carry out checks to verify the residence time, minimum temperature and oxygen content of the exhaust gases in the furnace whilst operating under the anticipated most unfavourable operating conditions. Results will be submitted to SEPA.
- Provide a written proposal to SEPA, for carrying out tests to determine the size distribution of the particulate matter in the exhaust gas emissions to air, identifying the fractions in the PM<sub>10</sub>

and  $PM_{2.5}$  ranges from the Facility. The report will detail a timetable for undertaking the tests and producing a report on the results.





### A Plans and drawings



### **B** Initial Site Report



### C Noise Assessment

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### D Air Quality Assessments



### **E BAT** Assessment



### F Heat and Power Plan

### **G** Financial Provision Calculation

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# **H** Planning Application



## I Example CFD Report



## J Certificate of Incorporation



## K Management Systems



### L Project Team CVs

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# M Non-Technical Summary

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