

Mr Carroll Our Ref: C-6721

Your Ref: request-192603-

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Date: 06 February 2014

## Dear Mr Carroll

RE: Request for information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) / Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR). Rattlechain missing links

Thank you for your enquiry which was received on 12 January.

I enclose in Email 1 of 3:-

- 1. Rhodia Ltd permit
- 2. Rhodia permit varied
- 3. Permit Mod 1
- 4. Permit Mod 2
- 5. Permit

## Email 2 of 3:-

- 1. ERM improvement works report
- 2. Revised hydrogeological risk assessment
- 3. J Davis Comments

## Email 3 of 3:-

- 1. Stability Risk Assessment
- 2. Revised P44 landfill gas assessment

We have managed to find all the documents except the Operator and Pollution Risk appraisal form in point 1 of your request.

We will forward the documents in three emails due to their size.

In response to points 3 and 4 we can confirm that the closure plan for Rattlechain Lagoon has been accepted by the Environment Agency and the site is now treated as a closed landfill. The permit has been varied to reflect this and we have attached a copy of the notice of variation as well as the original permit and modifications.

The permit has also been transferred to Rhodia Limited on the 24th January - copy attached.

We want to be as open as possible in answering requests, and to help people obtain the information they are looking for. Unfortunately, in this case the amount of information you have requested so far regarding this matter is very substantial. Gathering such information involves a significant cost and diversion of resources from the authority's other work.

Where responding to a request would take many hours, EIR Regulation 12(4)(b) allows a public authority to refuse to supply information because the request is "manifestly unreasonable". However, Regulation 9 of the EIR also imposes a duty on us to advise and assist you so that it may be possible to provide information which meets your needs without imposing a disproportionate burden on us.

We believe that we have provided you with information on this site over a period of years as the work was carried out on the site. We cannot see that there is any value of us supplying further information as the site has now been accepted into closure and all engineering works completed. Unless requests for information on a new topic are submitted we will in have to consider declining all future requests.

I hope this enables you to fulfil the information request.

I hope that we have correctly interpreted your request. Please see the attached Standard Notice or licence for details of permitted use.

We respond to requests for recorded information that we hold under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) and the associated Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIR).

If you are not satisfied with our response to your request for information you can contact us within 2 calendar months to ask for our decision to be reviewed.

Yours sincerely

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