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Wrexham County Borough Council
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Date: 21st March 2016

Dear Mr Forster,

**APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL OF DETAILS RESERVED BY CONDITIONS IMPOSED
UNDER PLANNING PERMISSION P/2015/0463:**

4 - DECOMMISSIONING PLAN

5 - FINAL LAYOUT

6 - CONSTRUCTION VEHICLES COMPOUND, PARKING ETC

7 - DECOMMISSIONING STATEMENT

12 - DRAINAGE SCHEME

13 - CONTAMINATION SCHEME

17 - FINAL FINISH AND COLOUR OF UNITS AND SECURITY FENCING

**LAND TO THE NORTH AND WEST OF MAELOR GAS WORKS, PARKEY LANE, MARCHWIEL,
WREXHAM, LL13 0UW**

We refer to further information, received directly from the applicants (PH2 Contaminated Land & Soil Sampling Report, Proposed Solar Park, Williams Farm, Wrexham, LL13 0UT, The Magnificent Science Company, v2.1) which we received on the 17th March 2016, further to our previous response, also dated 17th March 2016.

The information that has been submitted does not address potential risks to controlled waters. The site investigation carried out did not appear to be designed to include investigation of risks to controlled waters and the assessment of the results does not mention controlled waters.

We made it clear in our planning application response that we considered the controlled waters at the site to be sensitive and gave a clear reason (see below) for the need for an appropriately designed SI and risk assessment etc.:

Reason: Natural Resources Wales considers that the controlled waters at this site are of high environmental sensitivity as the site sits on a Secondary A aquifer and the River Clywedog (tributary of the River Dee) flows approximately 80m from the site; and contamination is suspected from the historic use of the site as a World War II munitions factory.

We notice from the report submitted and Wrexham's Contaminated Land Officer's response, that Wrexham Council were consulted on a proposed scheme for the site investigation, however, we do not believe that we were been consulted on this.

The information that has been submitted to date does not address risks to controlled waters and is insufficient to allow us to advise discharge of planning conditions 13.

If the applicants can supply an appropriate assessment of the risks to controlled waters we will attempt to comment as quickly as possible.

Condition 14 relates to a verification report, but since no remediation seems to be proposed, we can't comment.

Condition 15 relates to long term monitoring and maintenance, but nothing has been submitted.

Condition 16 relates to unsuspected contamination during construction.

Yn gywir / Yours' faithfully,



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