

Site Visit Report

The site visit process is a sample on a particular day of an installation's compliance with some of its licence conditions. Where non-compliance against a particular condition has not been reported, this should not be construed to mean that there is full compliance with that condition of the licence.

Instructions and actions arising from the visit shall be addressed, or where applicable noted, by the licensee in order to ensure compliance, to improve the environmental performance of the installation and to provide clarification on certain issues.

The licensee shall take the actions specified to close out the non-compliances and observations raised in this Site Visit Report.

Licensee	
Name of Installation	Enva Ireland Limited (Portlaoise)
Licensee	Shannon Environmental Services Ltd
Licence Register No.	W0184-01
CRO Number	103844
Site Address	Clonminam Industrial Estate, Portlaoise, Laois
Site Visit Reference No.	SV09959

Report Detail	
Issue Date	09/11/2016
Prepared By	Mary Frances Rochford

Site Visit Detail					
Date Of Inspection	09/09/2016	Announced	No		
Time In	13:00	Time Out	15:15		
Agency Personnel On Site	Mary Frances Rochford				
Licensee Personnel and Role	Donal Conroy Gareth Kelly Kevin Coll				
Photo Taken	No	Samples Taken	No	Video Taken	No

> Scope

The EPA inspector carried out an odour survey of the environs of the ENVA Ireland Limited (Portlaoise) and an inspection of the facility in response to a complaint received from a member of the public regarding odour experienced on the evening of 8th September 2016 in the Rockview and Mountrath Road area of Portlaoise.

> Media

The following media was the focus of this inspection:

- Air

> Site Areas Inspected

The EPA inspector carried out an odour survey of the environs of the ENVA Ireland Limited (Portlaoise) site in advance of attending the site.

The site inspection included the following areas:

- Oil intake area
- Waste filtering
- Boiler house
- Tank clean out area
- Soil processing area
- Paint can processing area
- Effluent treatment

> Documents Inspected

The electronic SCADA records of tank temperatures were viewed by the EPA inspector.



1. Site Specific Issues

1.1

	Answer	Condition Number	Non Compliance	Observation
Offsite investigation of odour complaint of 8th September 2016	Checked	7.2		
Comment / Corrective Action				
<p>The EPA inspector carried out an odour assessment of the environs of the ENVA Ireland Limited (Portlaoise) and an inspection of the facility in response to a complaint received from a member of the public regarding odour experienced on 8th September 2016 between 21:50 and 22:30 in the Rockview and Mountrath Road area of Portlaoise. During the odour assessment between 12:20 and 13:00 on 9th September 2016, no odours attributable to site activities that gave rise to nuisance or that gave rise to significant impairment of, or significant interference with the environment beyond the facility boundary were detected offsite during the odour assessment.</p>				

1.2

	Answer	Condition Number	Non Compliance	Observation
Site inspection	Checked	7.2		
Comment / Corrective Action				
<p>During the site inspection the licensee's representatives reported to the EPA inspector that the activities carried out at the time of complaint included heating of Tank 19 and offloading of tankers between the hours of 19:19 and 20:03 and 20:44 and 21:59. The inspector was advised that the pressure/vacuum release valves attached to the vents on the tanks prevent the release of fugitive emissions and it was not considered to be a source of offsite odour. The licensee's representatives reported that the operator carrying out the offloading activity noted a strong smell of oats and burnt oats which had also been experienced at the site during the day. The EPA inspector viewed the electronic SCADA data and noted the temperature of tanks.</p> <p>The licensee's representatives were and are reminded of the requirement to comply with licence conditions, to be proactive in the investigation of potential offsite odour nuisance resulting from its onsite activities and to fully investigate any and all complaints from the public regarding the facility and associated activities. The EPA inspector stated that there is an open compliance investigation in relation to odour management at this site and that the EPA continues to monitor and assess emissions from the facility and will take appropriate enforcement action including legal action, if necessary, to ensure that residents are not exposed to nuisance odours.</p>				

No odours attributable to site activities that gave rise to nuisance or that gave rise to significant impairment of, or significant interference with the environment beyond the facility boundary were detected offsite during the odour assessment.

The licensee was reminded of the requirement to comply with its licence conditions, to be proactive in the investigation of potential offsite odour nuisance resulting from its onsite activities and to fully investigate any and all complaints from the public regarding the facility and associated activities.

FOLLOW-UP ACTIONS

You are required to complete the instructions and actions, as outlined in this report, within the specified timeframe. Where required, you shall respond to actions specified in Compliance Investigations within the required timeframe. The licensee shall maintain documentary evidence, for review by the EPA, that the prescribed corrective actions were completed within the required timeframe.

You are not required to respond directly to items contained in this EPA site visit report; where an issue requires a direct response, the EPA will generate a Compliance Investigation through the EDEN system. You will receive notification when a Compliance Investigation instruction or action is generated.

Please note that this Site Visit Report will be made available for public viewing via the EPA's Licence Enforcement Access Portal within one day of the issue date and will be published on the Licence Details Page of the EPA's website, www.epa.ie, that relates to your licence 60 calendar days after the issue date.

You may if you choose submit, within 45 calendar days of the issue date of this Site Visit Report, a Licensee Public Response that will be published alongside the Site Visit Report. This Response, should you wish to avail of it, provides you with an opportunity to inform the public about how you are implementing the actions set out in the report, activities underway, timescales and target completion dates. Please be aware that the content of your Licensee Public Response must be factual and should not breach the EPA's stated online publication standards.

If you wish to submit a Licensee Public Response to an EPA Site Visit Report, you should do this by clicking on the 'Make a Response' link on the Site Visits page in EDEN. A .pdf document containing your response can be attached and submitted from here.

Please note that you are required to comply with the conditions of your licence at all times, and where noncompliance occurs you must restore compliance within the shortest possible time. These actions will be verified during subsequent EPA visits.

Please quote the above Inspection Reference Number in any future correspondence in relation to this Report.