

# Headquarters, Johnstown Castle Estate, County Wexford, Ireland

# **GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS PERMIT**

IE-GHG063-10377-3

Operator:	Electricity Supply Board
	Two Gateway
	East Wall Road
	Dublin 3

D03 A995

**Installation Name:** ESB Aghada Thermal

**Site Name:** ESB Aghada Generating Station

**Location:** Whitegate

**Permit Register Number:** 

Midleton

Cork Ireland

# **Introductory Note**

#### This introductory note does not form a part of the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Permit.

This Greenhouse Gas Emissions Permit authorises the holder to undertake named activities resulting in emissions of Carbon Dioxide from the listed emission sources. It also contains requirements that must be met in respect of such emissions, including monitoring and reporting requirements. This Greenhouse Gas Emissions Permit places an obligation on the Operator to surrender allowances to the Agency equal to the annual reportable emissions of carbon dioxide equivalent from the installation in each calendar year, no later than four months after the end of each such year.

#### **Contact with Agency:**

If you contact the Agency about this Greenhouse Gas Emissions Permit please quote the following reference: Greenhouse Gas Emissions Permit Nº IE-GHG063-10377.

All correspondence in relation to this permit should be addressed to:

Email: help.ets@epa.ie

By Post: Climate Change Unit, Environmental Protection Agency

P.O. Box 3000, Johnstown Castle Estate,

Co. Wexford

# **Updating of the permit:**

This Greenhouse Gas Emissions Permit may be updated by the Agency, subject to compliance with Condition 2. The current Greenhouse Gas Emissions Permit will normally be available on the Agency's website at www.epa.ie and ETSWAP.

#### Surrender of the permit:

Before this Greenhouse Gas Emissions Permit can be wholly or partially surrendered, a written application must be made to the on-line ETS portal, and written permission received from, the Agency through <u>ETSWAP</u>.

# Transfer of the permit or part of the permit:

Before this Greenhouse Gas Emissions Permit can be wholly or partially transferred to another Operator a joint written application to transfer this Greenhouse Gas Emissions Permit must be made (by both the existing and proposed Operators) to, and written permission received from, the Agency through the on-line ETS portal ETSWAP.

Licence held pursuant to the Environmental Protection Agency Act 1992, as amended. (as of the date of this permit):

#### **IPC/IE Licence Register Number**

P0561-05

# **Status Log**

# **Current Permit**

Permit number	Date application received	Date Permit issued	Comment
IE-GHG063-10377-3	08 August 2018	30 May 2019	Update of the Operator address.
			Removal of the emission sources S1 AD1, S6 Diesel Generator 2, S7 Diesel Fire Pump, S8 Diesel Fire Pump, S10 Natural Gas pre-heater and associated emission points. Removal of the turbine meters MD3 and MD4.

# **Previous Permits**

Permit number	Change Type	Date application received	Date Permit issued	Comment
IE-GHG063- 10377-1	GHG Permit Application	24 May 2013	04 June 2013	
IE-GHG063- 10377-2	GHG Variation	09 January 2014	30 July 2014	Update of procedure descriptions and Natural Gas Meter details.

# **End of Introductory Note**

# **Glossary of Terms**

For the purposes of this permit the terms listed in the left hand column shall have the meaning given in the right hand column below:

The Agency Environmental Protection Agency.

Agreement Agreement in writing.

Allowance Permission to emit to the atmosphere one tonne of carbon dioxide

equivalent during a specified period issued for the purposes of Directive 2003/87/EC by the Agency or by a designated national competent authority

of a Member State of the European Union.

Annual Reportable

Emissions

Reportable Emissions of carbon dioxide made in any calendar year commencing from 1 January 2005 or the year of commencement of the

activity, whichever is the later.

A & V Regulation Commission Regulation (EU) No 600/2012 of 21 June 2012 on the

verification of greenhouse gas emission reports and tonne-kilometre reports and the accreditation of verifiers pursuant to Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and any amendments or revisions

thereto.

Category A

Installation

As defined in Article 19.2 (a) of the M&R Regulation.

Category B

Installation

As defined in Article 19.2 (b) of the M&R Regulation.

Category C

Installation

As defined in Article 19.2 (c) of the M&R Regulation.

The Directive Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13

October 2003 establishing a scheme for greenhouse gas emission allowance trading within the Community and amending Council Directive 96/61/EC.

Emissions The release of greenhouse gases into the atmosphere from sources in an

installation.

EPA Environmental Protection Agency.

Fall-Back Methodology As defined in Article 22 of the M&R Regulation.

GHG Greenhouse gas.

GHG Permit Greenhouse gas emissions permit.

Greenhouse Gas Any of the gases in Schedule 2 of the Regulations.

IPC/IE Integrated Pollution Control/Industrial Emissions.

Installation Any stationary technical unit where one or more activities listed in Schedule

1 to the Regulations are carried out. Also any other directly associated activities which have a technical connection with the activities carried out on that site and which could have an effect on emissions and pollution. References to an installation include references to part of an installation.

Installation with low emissions

As defined in Article 47 of the M&R Regulation.

Major Source Streams As defined in Article 19.3 (c) of the M&R Regulation.

**M&R** Regulation

Commission Regulation (EU) No 601/2012 of 21 June 2012 on the monitoring and reporting of greenhouse gas emissions pursuant to Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council and any amendments or revisions thereto.

Mis-statement

An omission, misrepresentation or error in the Operators reported data, not considering the uncertainty permissible pursuant to Article 12(1)(a) of Regulation (EU) no 601/2012.

N/A

Not applicable.

**Monitoring Plan** 

The Plan submitted and approved in accordance with Condition 3.1 of this permit and attached at Appendix 1.

Non-conformity

Any act or omission by the Operator, either intentional or unintentional, that is contrary to the greenhouse gas emissions permit and the requirements of the Monitoring Plan.

The National Administrator

The person so designated in accordance with the requirements of any Regulations adopted as provided for under Article 19.3 of Directive 2003/87/EC.

The Operator (for the purposes of this permit)

**Electricity Supply Board** 

"operator"

Any person who operates or controls an installation or to whom decisive economic power over the functioning of the installation has been delegated.

Person

Any natural or legal person.

Reportable emissions

The total releases to the atmosphere of carbon dioxide (expressed in tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent) from the emission sources specified in Table 2 and arising from the Schedule 1 activities which are specified in Table 1.

The Regulations

European Communities (Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading) Regulations 2012 (S.I. No 490 of 2012) and any amendments or revisions thereto.

The Verifier

A legal person or another legal entity carrying out verification activities pursuant to Regulation (EU) No 600/2012 and accredited by a national accreditation body pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 765/2008 and Regulation (EU) No 600/2012 or a natural person otherwise authorised, without prejudice to Article 5(2) of Regulation (EC) No 765/2008, at the time a verification report is issued.

The Registry

The Registry as provided for under Article 19 of Directive 2003/87/EC.

Schedule 1 Schedule 1 to the Regulations.



# **Reasons for the Decision**

The Agency is satisfied, on the basis of the information available, that subject to compliance with the conditions of this permit, the Operator is capable of monitoring and reporting emissions in accordance with the requirements of the Regulations.

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# **Activities Permitted**

Pursuant to the Regulations the Agency issues this Greenhouse Gas Emissions Permit, subject to any subsequent revisions, corrections or modifications it deems appropriate, to:

# The Operator:

Electricity Supply Board Two Gateway East Wall Road Dublin 3 D03 A995

Company Registration Number: NA ESB Act 1927

to carry out the following

# **Categories of activity:**

# **Annex 1 Activity**

Combustion of fuels in installations with a total rated thermal input exceeding 20 MW (except in installations for the incineration of hazardous or municipal waste)

at the following installation(s):

ESB Aghada Thermal Installation number: 49

located at

Whitegate Midleton Cork Ireland

subject to the five conditions contained herein, with the reasons therefor and associated tables attached thereto.

# **Conditions**

# Condition 1. The Permitted Installation

- 1.1 This permit is being granted in substitution for the previous GHG permit granted to the Operator as listed in the Status Log of this GHG permit.
- 1.2 The Operator is authorised to undertake the activities and/or the directly associated activities specified in Table 1 below resulting in the emission of carbon dioxide:

# Table 1 - Activities which are listed in Schedule 1 of the Regulations and other directly associated activities carried out on the site:

Installation No.: 49

# **Activity Description**

Combustion of fuels in installations with a total rated thermal input exceeding 20 MW (except in installations for the incineration of hazardous or municipal waste)

# **Directly Associated Activity Description**

N/A

1.3 Carbon dioxide from Schedule 1 activities shall be emitted to atmosphere only from the emission sources as listed in Table 2 below:

**Table 2 Emission Sources and Capacities:** 

Emission Source Reference	Emission Source Description	Capacity	Capacity Units
S2	CT11 Stack	283	MW
\$3	CT12 Stack	283	MW
S4	CT14 Stack	283	MW
S5	Diesel Generator 1	6.8	MW
<b>S9</b>	Diesel Fire Pump	0.09	MW
S11	Natural Gas Pre-heater	0.7	MW

1.4 The activity shall be controlled, operated and maintained so that emissions of carbon dioxide shall take place only as set out in this GHG Emissions Permit. The permit does not control emissions of gases other than carbon dioxide. All agreed plans, programmes and methodologies required to be carried out under the terms of this permit, become part of this permit.

- 1.5 This GHG Permit is for the purposes of GHG emissions permitting under the European Communities (Greenhouse Gas Emissions Trading) Regulations 2012 and any amendments to the same only and nothing in this permit shall be construed as negating the Operator's statutory obligations or requirements under any other enactments or regulations unless specifically amended by the Regulations.
- 1.6 Any reference in this permit to 'installation' shall mean the installation as described in the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Permit application and any amendments approved by the Agency.

Reason: To describe the installation and clarify the scope of this permit.

# Condition 2. Notification

- 2.1 No alteration to, or reconstruction in respect of, the activity or any part thereof which would, or is likely to, result in a change in:
  - 2.1.1 the nature or functioning of the installation;
  - 2.1.2 the capacity of the installation as detailed in this permit;
  - 2.1.3 the fuels used at the installation;
  - 2.1.4 the range of activities to be carried out at the installation

that may require updating of the GHG permit shall be carried out or commenced without prior notice to and without the prior written agreement of the Agency.

- 2.2 The Operator shall notify the Agency in writing of the cessation of all or part of any activity listed in Table 1 of this permit no later than one month from the date of cessation or by 31 December of the year of cessation, whichever is sooner.
- 2.3 The Operator shall apply for an update of this GHG Permit where there is a change to the Operator name and/or registered address of the Operator, within seven days of the change.
- 2.4 For installations or parts of installations which have not come into operation when the application for this permit was made the Operator shall notify the Agency of the date of commencement of the activity within seven days of commencement.
- 2.5 The Operator shall notify the Agency in writing within three days of becoming aware of any factors which may prevent compliance with the conditions of this permit.
- 2.6 The Operator shall submit to the Agency by 21 January of each year a declaration of operability. The declaration submitted shall be in the format required by the Agency.
- 2.7 All notifications required under Condition 2 above shall be made to the address given in the Explanatory Note included with this permit.

Reason: To provide for the notification of updated information on the activity.

# **Condition 3.** Monitoring and Reporting

- 3.1 The Operator shall monitor and record greenhouse gas emissions on site in accordance with the M&R Regulation and the approved Monitoring Plan attached at Appendix 1 to this GHG permit and in compliance with any other guidance approved by the Agency for the purposes of implementing the Directive and/or the Regulations.
- 3.2 The Operator shall modify the monitoring plan in any of the following situations:

- 3.2.1 new emissions occur due to new activities carried out or due to the use of new fuels or materials not yet contained in the monitoring plan;
- 3.2.2 the change of availability of data, due to the use of new measurement instrument types, sampling methods or analysis methods, or for other reasons, leads to higher accuracy in the determination of emissions;
- 3.2.3 data resulting from the previously applied monitoring methodology has been found incorrect;
- 3.2.4 changing the monitoring plan improves the accuracy of the reported data, unless this is technically not feasible or incurs unreasonable costs;
- 3.2.5 the monitoring plan is not in conformity with the requirements of the M&R Regulation and the Agency requests a change;
- 3.2.6 it is necessary to respond to the suggestions for improvement of the monitoring plan contained in the verification report.

The Operator shall notify any proposals for modification of the monitoring plan to the Agency without undue delay. Any significant modifications of the monitoring plan, as defined in Article 15 of the M&R Regulation, shall be subject to approval by the Agency. Where approved these changes shall be implemented within a timeframe agreed by the Agency.

- 3.3 Temporary changes to the monitoring methodology:
  - 3.3.1 Where it is for technical reasons temporarily not feasible to apply the tier in the monitoring plan for the activity data or each calculation factor of a fuel or material stream as approved by the Agency, the Operator shall apply the highest achievable tier until the conditions for application of the tier approved in the monitoring plan have been restored. The Operator shall take all necessary measures to allow the prompt restoration of the tier in the approved monitoring plan. The Operator shall notify the temporary change to the monitoring methodology without undue delay to the Agency specifying:
    - (i) The reasons for the deviation from the tier;
    - (ii) in detail, the interim monitoring methodology applied by the Operator to determine the emissions until the conditions for the application of the tier in the monitoring plan have been restored;
    - (iii) the measures the Operator is taking to restore the conditions for the application of the tier in the approved monitoring plan;
    - (iv) the anticipated point in time when application of the approved tier will be resumed.
  - 3.3.2 A record of all non-compliances with the approved monitoring plan shall be maintained on-site and shall be available on-site for inspection by authorised persons of the Agency and/or by the Verifier at all reasonable times.
- 3.4 The Operator shall appoint a Verifier to ensure that, before their submission, the reports required by Condition 3.5 below are verified in accordance with the criteria set out in Schedule 5 of the Regulations, the A&V Regulation and any more detailed requirements of the Agency.
- 3.5 The written report of the verified annual reportable emissions and the verification report in respect of each calendar year shall be submitted to the Agency by the Operator no later than 31 March of the following year. The reports shall be in the format required by the Agency and meet the criteria set out in the M&R and A&V Regulations.

- 3.6 The Operator shall enter the verified annual reportable emissions figure for the preceding year into the Registry no later than 31 March of the following year. This figure shall be electronically approved by the Verifier in the registry no later than 31 March of each year.
- 3.7 Where an Operator is applying the Fall-Back methodology, the Operator shall assess and quantify each year the uncertainties of all parameters used for the determination of the annual emissions in accordance with the ISO Guide to the Expression of Uncertainty in Measurement or another equivalent internationally accepted standard and include the verified results in the written report of the verified annual reportable emissions to be submitted to the Agency by 31 March each year.
- 3.8 An Operator shall submit to the Agency for approval a report containing the information detailed in (i) or (ii) below, where appropriate, by the following deadlines:
  - (a) for a category A installation, by 30 June every four years;
  - (b) for a category B installation, by 30 June every two years;
  - (c) for a category C installation, by 30 June every year.
  - (i) Where the Operator does not apply at least the tiers required pursuant to the first subparagraph of Article 26(1) and to Article 41(1) of the M&R Regulation, the Operator shall provide a justification as to why it is technically not feasible or would incur unreasonable costs to apply the required tiers. Where evidence is found that measures needed for reaching those tiers have become technically feasible and do not incur unreasonable costs, the Operator shall notify the Agency of appropriate modifications to the monitoring plan and submit proposals for implementing appropriate measures and its timing.
  - (ii) Where the Operator applies a fall-back monitoring methodology, the Operator shall provide a justification as to why it is technically not feasible or would incur unreasonable costs to apply at least tier 1 for one or more major or minor source streams. Where evidence is found that measures needed for reaching at least tier 1 for those source streams have become technically feasible and do not incur unreasonable costs, the Operator shall notify the Agency of appropriate modifications to the monitoring plan, submit proposals and a timeframe for implementing appropriate measures.
- 3.9 Where the verification report states outstanding non conformities, misstatements or recommendations for improvements the Operator shall submit a report to the Agency for approval by 30 June of the year in which the verification report is issued. This requirement does not apply to the Operator of an installation with low emissions where the verification report contains recommendations for improvements only. The report shall describe how and when the Operator has rectified or plans to rectify the non-conformities identified and to implement recommended improvements. Where recommended improvements would not lead to an improvement of the monitoring methodology this must be justified by the Operator. Where the recommended improvements would incur unreasonable costs the Operator shall provide evidence of the unreasonable nature of the costs. The Operator shall implement the improvements specified by the Agency in response to the report submitted in accordance with this Condition in accordance with a timeframe set by the Agency.
- 3.10 The Operator shall make available to the Verifier and to the Agency any information and data relating to emissions of carbon dioxide which are required in order to verify the reports referred to in Condition 3.5 above or as required by the Agency to facilitate it in establishing benchmarks and/or best practice guidance.
- 3.11 Provision shall also be made for the transfer of environmental information, in relation to this permit, to the Agency's computer system, as may be requested by the Agency.
- 3.12 The Operator shall retain all information as specified in the M&R Regulation for a period of at least 10 years after the submission of the relevant annual report.

- 3.13 A record of independent confirmation of capacities listed in this permit shall be available on-site for inspection by authorised persons of the Agency at all reasonable times.
- 3.14 The Operator shall keep records of all modifications of the monitoring plan. The records shall include the information specified in Article 16.3 of the M&R Regulation.
- 3.15 The Operator shall ensure that members of the public can view a copy of this permit and any reports submitted to the Agency in accordance with this permit at all reasonable times. This requirement shall be integrated with the requirements of any public information programme approved by the Agency in relation to any other permit or licence held by the Operator for the site.

Reason: To provide for monitoring and reporting in accordance with the Regulations.

# Condition 4. Allowances

#### 4.1 Surrender of Allowances

- 4.1.1 The Operator shall, by 30 April in each year, surrender to the Agency, or other appropriate body specified by the Agency, allowances equal to the annual reportable emissions in the preceding calendar year.
- 4.1.2 The number of allowances to be surrendered shall be the annual reportable emissions for the preceding calendar year plus such allowances as may be necessary to cover any earlier calendar year in respect of which allowances remain outstanding and due. This includes allowances to cover the amount of any annual reportable emissions in respect of which allowances were not surrendered in accordance with Condition 4.1.1 in the previous year, and the amount of any reportable emissions which were discovered during the previous year to have been unreported in reports submitted under Condition 3 in that or in earlier years.
- 4.1.3 In relation to activities or parts of activities which have ceased to take place and have been notified to the Agency in accordance with Condition 2.2 above, the Operator shall surrender to the Agency allowances equal to the annual reportable emissions from such activities in the preceding calendar year or part thereof, together with such allowances as may be necessary to cover any earlier calendar year in respect of which allowances remain outstanding and due as described in Condition 4.1.2 above.
- 4.1.4 The Operator may, from 2008 onwards, subject to the provisions of the Regulations and the relevant National Allocation Plan for that compliance year, surrender emission reduction units (ERUs) and certified emission reduction units (CERs) in place of allowances.
- 4.2 The holding, transfer, surrender and cancellation of allowances shall be in accordance with the requirements of any Regulations adopted as provided for under Article 19.3 of Directive 2003/87/EC, any amendment or revision to the same and any guidance issued by the Agency or the National Administrator.
- 4.3 The Operator shall provide the National Administrator with all the necessary information for the opening of an Operator holding account for the installation described in Condition 1 of this permit within twenty working days of the issue of this permit, unless such an account is already open.

Reason: To provide for the surrendering, holding, transfer and cancellation of allowances in respect of reported emissions.

# **Condition 5.** Penalties

Any Operator who fails to comply with Condition 4.1 above shall be subject to the provisions of the Regulations, including, but not limited to the payment of penalties.

Reason: To provide for the payment of excess emissions penalties as required under the Regulations.

Sealed by the seal of the Agency on this the 30 May 2019:

PRESENT when the seal of the Agency was affixed hereto:

Ms. Annette Prendergast
Inspector/ Authorised Person

# Appendix 1 to Greenhouse Gas Emissions Permit Number IE-GHG063-10377

# **Monitoring Plan**

#### 1. Guidelines & Conditions

1. Directive 2003/87/EC as amended by Directive 2009/29/EC (hereinafter "the (revised) EU ETS Directive") requires operators of installations which are included in the European Greenhouse Gas Emission Trading Scheme (the EU ETS) to hold a valid GHG emission permit issued by the relevant Competent Authority and to monitor and report their emissions and have the reports verified by an independent and accredited verifier.

The Directive can be downloaded from:

http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CONSLEG:2003L0087:20090625:EN:PDF

2. The Monitoring and Reporting Regulation (Commission Regulation (EU) No 601/2012) (hereinafter the "MRR") defines further requirements for monitoring and reporting.

The MRR can be downloaded from:

http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2012:181:0030:0104:EN:PDF

Article 12 of the MRR sets out specific requirements for the content and submission of the monitoring plan and its updates. Article 12 outlines the importance of the Monitoring plan as follows:

The monitoring plan shall consist of a detailed complete and transparent documentation of the monitoring methodology of a specific installation [or aircraft operator] and shall contain at least the elements laid down in Annex I.

Furthermore Article 74(1) states:

Member States may require the operator and aircraft operator to use electronic templates or specific file formats for submission of monitoring plans and changes to the monitoring plan as well as for submission of annual emissions reports tonne-kilometre data reports verification reports and improvement reports. Those templates or file format specifications established by the Member States shall at least contain the information contained in electronic templates or file format specifications published by the Commission

3. All Commission guidance documents on the Monitoring and Reporting Regulation will be published at the link below as they become available:

http://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/ets/monitoring/index\_en.htm

#### (a) Information sources:

#### **EU Websites:**

EU-Legislation: http://eur-lex.europa.eu/en/index.htm

EU ETS general: http://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/ets/index\_en.htm

Monitoring and Reporting in the EU ETS: <a href="http://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/ets/monitoring/index\_en.htm">http://ec.europa.eu/clima/policies/ets/monitoring/index\_en.htm</a>

# **Environmental Protection Agency Website:**

http://www.epa.ie

# **Environmental Protection Agency Contact:**

GHGpermit@epa.ie

# 2. Application Details

The Installation Name, Site Name and the address of the site of the installation are detailed below. The Site Name and address can be updated from the Organisation Details Page on the ETSWAP website. The Installation Name can only be updated by your Competent Authority.

**Installation name** ESB Aghada Thermal

Site name ESB Aghada Generating Station

**Address** Whitegate

Midleton Cork Ireland

Grid reference of site main entrance E183800,N64560

Licence held pursuant to the Environmental Protection Yes Agency Act 1992, as amended.

IPC/IE Licence Register Number	Licence holder	Competent body
P0561-05	ESB Aghada Generating Station	EPA

Has the regulated activity commenced at Yes the Installation?

Date of Regulated Activity commencement 01 January 2005

This information is only required to identify the first relevant reporting year of an installation. If the installation was in operation from the beginning of 2008 and held a Greenhouse Gas Emissions Permit from this point, 1 January 2008 will be used where the actual date of commencement is not readily known.

# 3. About the Operator

The information about the "Operator" is listed below. The "Operator" is defined as the person who it is proposed will have control over the relevant Regulated Activities in the installation in respect of which this application is being made.

# (b) Operator Details

The name of the operator and where applicable the company registration number are detailed below. These details can only be updated by the Environmental Protection Agency.

Operator name Electricity Supply Board

Company Registration Number NA ESB Act 1927

**Operator Legal status** 

The legal status of the operator is: Company / Corporate Body

# (c) Company / Corporate Body

Is the trading / business name different to the operator No name?

# **Registered office address**

Address Line 1 Two Gateway
Address Line 2 East Wall Road
City/Town Dublin 3
County N/A
Postcode D03 A995

No

# **Principal office address**

Is the principal office address different to the registered office address?

# **Holding company**

Does the company belong to a holding company? No

# (d) Operator Authority

Does the operator named above have the authority and ability to:

a. manage site operations through having day-to-day control of plant operation including the manner and rate of operation

Yes

ensure that permit conditions are effectively complied with

Yes

c. control monitor and report specified emissions

Yes

d. be responsible for trading in Allowances so that at the end of a reporting period allowances can be balanced against reported emissions.

Yes

# 4. Service Contact

#### e. Service Contact

Address ESB Aghada Generating Station

Whitegate Midleton Co. Cork Ireland

#### 5. Installation Activities

#### f. Installation Description

Below is a description of the installation and its activities, a brief outline description of the site and the installation and the location of the installation on the site. The description also includes a non-technical summary of the activities carried out at the installation briefly describing each activity performed and the technical units used within each activity.

Following the cessation of AD1, ESB Aghada Thermal now comprises of 3 GE Frame 9B Open Cycle Gas Turbines (Emission points A1-2, A1-3, A1-4), each of 85 MWe gross capacity firing either natural gas or gasoil. These discharge via individual 65m stacks. The site also has a single diesel generator on site (Emission points A3-1). In addition there is one diesel fire pump and 1 natural gas pre-heater. The site received an IPC Licence from the EPA in July 2002. The Environmental Management system (EMS) has been ISO 14001 accredited since January 2000.

#### g. Annex 1 Activities

The table below lists the technical details for each Annex 1 activity carried out at the installation.

Note that 'capacity' in this context means:

- Rated thermal input (for combustion installations) which is defined as the rate at which fuel can be burned at
  the maximum continuous rating of the installation multiplied by the calorific value of the fuel and expressed as
  megawatts thermal.
- Production capacity for those specified Annex I activities for which production capacity determines ETS eligibility.

Annex 1 Activity	Total Capacity	Capacity units	Specified Emissions
Combustion of fuels in installations with a total rated thermal input exceeding 20 MW (except in installations for the incineration of hazardous or municipal waste)	856.59	MW	Carbon Dioxide

#### h. Site Diagram

The table below lists attachments (if available) that provide a simple diagram showing emissions sources source streams sampling points and metering/measurement equipment.

Attachment	Description
GHG063-05 site drawing 2013.pdf	GHG063-05 site drawing 2013

#### i. Estimated Annual Emissions

Detail of the estimated annual emission of  $CO_2$  equivalent. This information enables categorisation of the installation in accordance with Article 19 of the MRR and is based on the average verified annual emissions of the previous trading period data OR if this data is not available or is inappropriate a conservative estimate of annual average emissions including transferred  $CO_2$  excluding  $CO_2$  from biomass.

Estimated Annual Emissions (tonnes CO<sub>2(e)</sub>)

50000

Installation Category: A

# 6. Emissions Details

# j. About your emissions

Annex I of the Monitoring and Reporting Regulations (MRR) requires that monitoring plans include a description of "the installation" and activities to be carried out and monitored including a list of emission sources and source streams. The information provided in this template relates to the Annex I activity(ies) comprised in the installation in question and should relate to a single installation. It includes any activities carried out by the operator and does not include related activities carried out by other operators.

# k. Emission Sources

The table below lists all the emission sources at the installation, which may include directly associated activities/excluded activities.

Emission Source Reference	Emission Source Description
S2	CT11 Stack
S3	CT12 Stack
S4	CT14 Stack
S5	Diesel Generator 1
S9	Diesel Fire Pump

Emission Source Reference	Emission Source Description
S11	Natural Gas Pre-heater

The table below lists the emission sources which are linked to the Regulated Activities at the installation.

Emission Source Reference	Emission Source Description
S2	CT11 Stack
S3	CT12 Stack
S4	CT14 Stack
S5	Diesel Generator 1
S9	Diesel Fire Pump
S11	Natural Gas Pre-heater

#### I. Emission Points

The table below lists all the emission points at the installation, which may include directly associated activities/excluded activities.

Emission Point Reference	Emission Point Description
A1-2	CT11 Stack
A1-3	CT12 Stack
A1-4	CT14 Stack
A3-1	Diesel Generator 1
A3-5	Diesel Fire Pump
A1-6	Natural Gas Pre-heater

# m. Source Streams (fuels and/or materials)

The table below lists the source streams which are used in Schedule 1 Activities at the installation.

Source Stream Reference	Source Stream Type	Source Stream Description
F1 (Natural Gas)	Combustion: Other gaseous & liquid fuels	Natural Gas
F2 (Gas Oil)	Combustion: Commercial standard fuels	Gas/Diesel Oil

#### n. Emissions Summary

The table below provides a summary of the emission source and source stream details in the installation.

Source streams ( Fuel / Material )	Emission Source Refs.	Emission Point Refs.	Annex 1 Activity
F1 (Natural Gas)	S11,S2,S3,S4	A1-2,A1-3,A1-4,A1-6	Combustion of fuels in installations with a total rated thermal input exceeding 20 MW (except in installations for the incineration of hazardous or municipal waste)
F2 (Gas Oil)	S2,S3,S4,S5,S9	A1-2,A1-3,A1-4,A3-1,A3-5	Combustion of fuels in installations with a total rated thermal input exceeding 20 MW (except in installations for the incineration of hazardous or municipal waste)

#### o. Excluded Activities

Certain activities that result in greenhouse gas emissions may be excluded under the EU ETS Directive for example truly mobile sources such as vehicle emissions.

Do you have any excluded activities which need to be lidentified in your monitoring plan?

# 7. Low Emissions Eligibility

#### p. Low Emissions Eligibility

The operator may submit a simplified monitoring plan for an installation where no nitrous oxide activities are carried out and it can be demonstrated that:

- (a) the average verified annual emissions of the installation during the previous trading period was less than 25 000 tonnes  $CO_{2(e)}$  per year or;
- (b) where this data is not available or inappropriate a conservative estimate shows that emissions for the next 5 years will be less than 25 000 tonnes  $CO_{2(e)}$  per year.

Note: the above data shall include transferred CO<sub>2</sub> but exclude CO<sub>2</sub> stemming from biomass.

Does the installation satisfy the criteria for installations No with low emissions (as defined by Article 47 of the MRR)?

# 8. Monitoring Approaches

#### q. Monitoring Approaches

Emissions may be determined using either a calculation based methodology ("calculation") or measurement based methodology ("measurement") except where the use of a specific methodology is mandatory according to the provisions of the MRR. [MRR Article 21].

Note: the operator may subject to competent authority approval combine measurement and calculation for different sources. The operator is required to ensure and demonstrate that neither gaps nor double counting of reportable emissions occurs.

Please specify whether or not you propose to apply the following monitoring approaches. Select all monitoring approaches that are applicable to you. The consecutive sections will become mandatory based on the selected approaches.

Calculation	Yes
Measurement	No
Fall-back approach	No
Monitoring of N₂O	No
Monitoring of PFC	No
Monitoring of transferred / inherent CO <sub>2</sub>	No

# 9. Calculation

# r. Approach Description

The calculation approach including formulae used to determine annual CO<sub>2</sub> emissions:

Aghada Thermal site is supplied with natural gas and metered by GNI using either its service or standby metering installations, and a gas chromatograph. All of the gas supplied is combusted in Aghada GasTurbine plant. At the end of each month GNI supplies a data file setting out for each day and hour of the month the gas flow hourly integrator readings corrected to 288.15 K and 101.325 kPa, and hourly averages of gross calorific value, specific gravity, and individual gas fractions in the gas mixture (namely CO2, Nitrogen, and the paraffin gases from methane through to hexane). The gas volumes are corrected to 288.15 K and 101.325 kPa.

From this data the total nett energy supplied TJ [= Fuel Flow Nm3 \* Average Net Calorific Value TJ/Nm3] and the emission factors tCO2/TJ are calculated for the month (defined as from 06:00 hrs on 1st of the month to 06:00 on 1st of the following month). In calculating the Emission Factor for the conversion of tonnes of Carbon into CO2 a conversion factor of 3.664 tonnes CO2/tonne Carbon is used.

CO2 tonnes = fuel flow [Nm3] \* Net Calorific Value [TJ/Nm3] \* Emission Factor [tCO2/TJ] \* Oxidation Factor

Aghada site is supplied with gas oil (as a secondary fuel) from an Oil Tank. Six (6) times per annum the stored gas oil is sampled and tested by an accredited laboratory for carbon content, calorific values, and gravity. Gas Oil is delivered by tanker and consumption is based on delivery dockets and stock difference between start and end of year.

From the above data sources, the total net energy supplied [TJ/t] and the emission factor tCO2/TJ are determined.

CO2 tonnes = Fuel Flow [t] \* Net Calorific Value [TJ/t] \* Emission Factor [tCO2/TJ \* Oxidation Factor

Oxidation Factor is 1.0 for both fuels.

Uncertainity for gas have assumed the max values allowable for both the meter and the pressure & temperature in accordance with the international standard (see uncertainity attachment). The is a conservative approach however in practice the uncertainity are much lower than this.

# s. Measurement Devices

Below is a description of the specification and location of the measurement systems used for each source stream where emissions are determined by calculation

Also a description of all measurement devices including sub-meters and meters used to deduct non-Annex I activities to be used for each source and source stream.

Source Stream Refs.	Emission Source Refs.	Measurement Device Ref.	Type of Measurement Device	Measurement Range	Metering Range Units	Specified Uncertainty (+/- %)	Location
F1 (Natural Gas)	S2,S3,S4,S11	MD1	Turbine meter	4000-75000	m3/hr	1.41	ESB Aghada Thermal AGI
F1 (Natural Gas)	S2,S3,S4,S11	MD2	Turbine meter	4000-75000	m3/hr	1.41	ESB Aghada Thermal AGI
F2 (Gas Oil)	\$2,\$3,\$4,\$5,\$9	MD5	Ultrasonic meter	450-1800	litres per minute	0.009	Supplier Depot Independent
F2 (Gas Oil)	S2,S3,S4,S5,S9	MD6	Tank Dips	0-7500000 litres approx	litres	0.03	ESB Tank Farm Thermal carried out independently

Source Stream Refs.	Measurement Device	Determination	Instrument Under	Conditions Of Article	Invoices Used To	Trade Partner And
	Ref.	Method	Control Of	29(1) Satisfied	Determine Amount Of	Operator Independent
					Fuel Or Material	
F1 (Natural Gas)	MD1	Continual	Trade partner	Yes	Yes	Yes
F1 (Natural Gas)	MD2	Continual	Trade partner	Yes	Yes	Yes
F2 (Gas Oil)	MD5	Batch	Trade partner	Yes	Yes	Yes
F2 (Gas Oil)	MD6	Batch	Trade partner	Yes	N/A	Yes

#### t. Applied Tiers

The table below identifies the tiers applied against the relevant input data for each source stream and confirms whether a standard (MRR Article 24) or mass balance (MRR Article 25) approach is applied.

- (i) The highest tiers as defined in Annex II of the MRR should be used by Category B and C installations to determine the activity data and each calculation factor (except the oxidation factor and conversion factor) for each major source stream. Category A installations should apply as a minimum the tiers listed in Annex V.
- (ii) Operators may apply a tier one level lower than those referred to in sub paragraph (i) above for Category C installations and up to two levels lower for Category A and B installations with a minimum of tier 1 if the operator can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the competent authority that this is not technically feasible or would lead to unreasonable cost to apply the higher tier. The justification for not applying the higher tier should be recorded when completing the tier table.
- (iii) The competent authority may allow an operator to apply even lower tiers than those referred to in the sub paragraph (ii) with a minimum of tier 1 for a transition period of up to three years if the operator can demonstrate to the satisfaction of the competent authority that this is not technically feasible or would lead to unreasonable cost to apply the higher tier and provides an improvement plan detailing how and by when at least the tier referred to in sub paragraph (ii) will be achieved. The improvement plan should be referenced in subsequent table and provided to the competent authority at the time of submission of this plan.
- (iv) For minor source streams operators shall apply the highest tier which is technically feasible and will not lead to unreasonable costs with a minimum of tier 1 for activity data and each calculation factor. For de-minimis source streams operators may use conservative estimations rather than tiers unless a defined tier can be achieved without additional effort (MRR Article 26(2)).
- (v) Installations with low emissions as identified in section 6(d) may apply as a minimum tier 1 for determining activity data and calculation factors for all source streams unless higher accuracy is achievable without additional effort.
- \* Note 1: For commercial standard fuels the minimum tiers listed in Annex V of the MRR may be applied for all activities in all installations.
- \* Note 2: If you are intending to apply a fall-back approach please complete the table below and select "n/a" for the tiers to be applied for each source stream where a fall-back approach is used. Section 10 "Fall-back" must also be completed for these source streams.
- \* Note 3: For biomass or mixed fuels the emission factor is the preliminary emission factor as defined in Definition 35 Article 3 of the MRR.

Source Stream Refs.	Emissi on Source Refs.	Measu remen t Device Refs.	Overall Meteri ng Uncert ainty (less than +/- %)	Applie d Monit oring Appro ach	Activit y Data Tier Applie d	Net Calorifi c Value Tier Applie d	Emissi on Factor Tier Applie d	Carbon Conten t Tier Applie d	Oxidat ion Factor Tier Applie d	Conver sion Factor Tier Applie d	Bioma ss Fractio n Tier Applie d	Estima ted Emissi ons tCO <sub>2(e)</sub>	% of Total Estima ted Emissi ons	Source Catego ry	Highes t Tiers Applie d	Justific ation for not applyi ng the highes t tiers	Improv ement Plan Refere nce (where applica ble)
F1 (Natur al Gas)	S11,S2, S3,S4	MD1, MD2	<1.5%	Standa rd	4	3	3	N/A	1	N/A	N/A	49700	99.4	Major	Yes	n/a	n/a
F2 (Gas Oil)	\$2,\$3,\$ 4,\$5,\$9	MD5, MD6	<1.5%	Standa rd	4	3	3	N/A	1	N/A	N/A	300	0.6	Minor	Yes	n/a	n/a

Total Estimated Emissions for Calculation (tonnes CO<sub>2(e)</sub>)

50000

# u. Uncertainty Calculations

The table below lists evidence attached to the application that demonstrates compliance with the applied tiers in accordance with Article 12 of the MRR.

Attachment	Description
Uncertainty Calculations Tier justification Aghada Thermal.xls	Aghada Thermal Uncertainty Calculations Tier justification
UDAY SSL Marine Stock Accuracy.doc	Ltr from Third Party SSL Marine in relation to tank dips
BGE email confriming uncertainity of meters & temperature pressure compensation.doc	BGE confirmation on uncertainity of meters & temperature pressure compensation
Stock Accuracy 5th May 2013 (Amended).pdf	Tape and stock accuracy Gasoil May 2013
Copy of Aghada Uncertainty - Thermal May 2013.xls	Aghada Uncertainty - Thermal May 2013
SSL email to confirm Human Uncertainty May 2013.doc	SSL email to confirm Human Uncertainty May 2013

# v. Applied tiers

Applied tiers for each source stream

Source Stream Ref.	Emission Source Refs.	Activity Data Tier Applied	Net Calorific Value Tier Applied	Emission Factor Tier Applied	Carbon Content Tier Applied	Oxidation Factor Tier Applied	Conversion Factor Tier Applied	Biomass Fraction Tier Applied
F1 (Natural Gas)	S11,S2,S3,S4	4	3	3	N/A	1	N/A	N/A
F2 (Gas Oil)	S2,S3,S4,S5,S9	4	3	3	N/A	1	N/A	N/A

# w. Justification for Applied tiers

Justifications for the applied tiers for each major source stream where highest tiers are not currently achieved.

Source Stream Ref.	Emission Source Refs.	Justification for the applied tier	Improvement Plan Reference (where applicable)
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

# 10. Calculation Factors

# x. Default Values

The table below lists, for each parameter, where default values are to be used for calculation factors.

Source Stream Refs.	Emission Source Refs.	Parameter	Reference Source	Default Value applied (where appropriate)
F2 (Gas Oil)	\$2,\$3,\$4,\$5,\$9	OxF	MRR Annex 11 Section 2.3	1
F1 (Natural Gas)	S11,S2,S3,S4	OxF	MRR Annex 11 Section 2.3	1

# **Sampling and Analysis**

Do you undertake sampling and analysis of any of the yes parameters used in the calculation of your CO<sub>2</sub> emissions?

# y. Analysis

The table below lists, for each source stream, where calculation factors are to be determined by analysis.

Source Stream Refs.	Emission Source Refs.	Parameter	Method of Analysis	Frequency	Laboratory Name	Laboratory ISO17025 Accredited	Evidence Reference
F2	\$2,\$3,\$4,\$5,\$9	Carbon Content	ASTM D5291	6 samples per year	SGS Ellesmere Port	Yes	n/a
F2	\$2,\$3,\$4,\$5,\$9	NCV	ASTM D240	6 samples per year	SGS Ellesmere Port	Yes	n/a
F1 (Natural Gas)	S2,S3,S4,S11	NCV	EN ISO 6976:2005	Continuous	EffecTech	Yes	n/a
F1 (Natural Gas)	S11,S2,S3,S4	EF	EN ISO 6974	Continuous	EffecTech	Yes	n/a

Detail about the written procedures for the above analysis.

Where a number of procedures are used details of an overarching procedure which covers the quality assurance of analyses methods and links together individual analytical methods is listed.

Title of procedure Reference for procedure Diagram reference

Brief description of procedure. The description should cover the essential parameters and operations performed

Procedure for Sampling & Analysis EMS9.1-11 N/A

The purpose of this procedure is to ensure that all fuels consumed on site are sampled & analysed for carbon content and NCV to allow for the calculation of CO2 emissions to the standard specified in the M&R Regulation. Information that is gathered in relation to fuel sampling & analysis will be used for the verification, auditing & calculation of CO2 (GHG) emissions.

The procedure included reference to ASTM D4057-95 (2002) Standard Practice for manual sampling of petroleum & petroleum products ref BSEN ISO 3170. Natural Gas standard for EF is EN ISO06974. NCV is performed EN ISO 6976:2005. Annual performance assessment is conducted for the on-line gas chromatograph in accordance with EN ISO 10723:2012

Post or department responsible for the procedure and for any data generated
Location where records are kept
Name of IT system used
List of EN or other standards applied

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API 2545 standard, ASTM D4057-95 (2002) Standard
Practice for manual sampling of petroleum and Petroleum
products,

EN 12261 for turbine meters— EN 12480 for Rotary displacement meters

- EN 1359 for Diaphragm meters
- BS 7965:2000 for Ultrasonic meters

EN ISO 9001 BGE

ISO 5168 – Measurement of fluid flow – Evaluation of uncertainties.

EN ISO 10715 Natural gas sampling guidelines

Natural Gas standard for EF is EN ISO06974. NCV is performed EN ISO 6976:2005. Annual performance assessment is conducted for the on-line gas chromatograph in accordance with EN ISO 10723:2012

# z. Sampling Plan

Details about the procedure covering the sampling plan for the analysis table above.

The procedure below covers the elements of a sampling plan as required by Article 33 of the MRR. Where a number of procedures are used, details of an overarching procedure which covers the sampling methods and links together individual sampling methods are listed.

Attachment	Description
Aghada Stream 1 to 4 24-07-2012.pdf	Operator of GC is meeting EN ISO 9001 (A)
Aghada Stream 1 to 4 Feb 2012.pdf	Operator of GC is meeting EN ISO 9001 (B)
EffecTech 0590Calibration Multiple_030.pdf	EffecTech Scope of accrediation for Natural Gas
Cert of Reg - IS EN ISO 9001 2008 - GWR - to 19Nov2014.pdf	BGE ISO 9001 certification
Scope L092 NL dd 24-04-2013.pdf	Scope of accreditation for Gasoil laboratory
EMS 9.1-11 Procedure for Sampling and Analysis of Fuels Ver11.0.doc	EMS 9.1-11 Procedure for Sampling and Analysis of Fuels Ver11.0
EP UKAS accreditation.pdf	Ellesmere Port Accreditation
UKAS Cert.pdf	Ellesmere port Certificate

Title of procedure Reference for procedure Diagram reference

Brief description of procedure. The description should cover the essential parameters and operations performed

Procedure for Sampling & Analysis

EMS9.1-11 N/A

The purpose of this procedure is to ensure that all fuels consumed on site are sampled & analysed for carbon content and NCV to allow for the calculation of CO2 emissions to the standard specified in the M&R Regulation. Information that is gathered in relation to fuel sampling & analysis will be used for the verification, auditing & calculation of CO2 (GHG) emissions.

This procedures included reference to ASTM D4057-95 (2002) Standard Practice for manual sampling of petroleum and Petroleum products ref. BSEN ISO 3170 & EN ISO 10715 Natural gas sampling guidelines

Post or department responsible for the procedure and for

any data generated

Location where records are kept

Name of IT system used

List of EN or other standards applied

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ASTM D4057-95 (2002) Standard Practice for manual

sampling of petroleum and Petroleum products, BSEN ISO 3170, EN ISO 6976:2005, EN ISO 10723:2012,

3170, EN 130 0370.2003, EN 130 10723.2012,

EN ISO 10715 Natural gas sampling guidelines

#### aa. Sampling Plan Appropriateness

The procedure to be used to revise the appropriateness of the sampling plan.

Title of procedure Reference for procedure Procedure for Sampling & Analysis EMS9.1-11

Diagram reference

Brief description of procedure. The description should cover the essential parameters and operations performed N/A

The purpose of this procedure is to ensure that all fules consumed on site are sampled & analysed for carbon content and NCV to allow for the calculation of CO2 emissions to the standard specified in the M&R Regulation. Information that is gathered in relation to fuel sampling & analysis will be used for the verification, auditing & calculation of CO2 (GHG) emissions. In relation to sample plan appropriateness -Should any change occur to the above sampling and analysis plan, the plan will be revised and the EPA informed and their approval sought . Sampling plan in included in the environmental management system as part of ISO 14001:2006.

Post or department responsible for the procedure and for Station Chemist/ Environmental CoOrdinator

any data generated

Location where records are kept Name of IT system used List of EN or other standards applied

Aghada Microsoft Sharepoint & Hard copies **IDM Microsoft Sharepoint** ASTM D4057-95 (2002) Standard Practice for manual sampling of petroleum and Petroleum products,

EN ISO 10715 Natural gas sampling guidelines, EN ISO 10723

Are stock estimates carried out as part of the emission calculations?

Yes

#### bb. Year-end reconciliations

The procedure to be used to estimate stocks at the beginning/end of a reporting period where applicable. This should include any source streams monitored using batch metering e.g. where invoices are used.

Title of procedure

Reference for procedure Diagram reference

Brief description of procedure.

Procedure for measurement of fuel consumption for Green

House Gas permit reporting

EMS9.1-13 N/A

Procedure for the measurement of fuel consumption for Green house Gas permit reporting- covers gasoil & natural gas. In relation to gasoil - a stock check is taken at the start and end of the year. Any deliveries or imports are included in the AIER and give the station its annual consumption figure. Tanks dips are by a independent third party & oil

ops from ESB HO.

Post or department responsible for the procedure and for

any data generated

Location where records are kept

Name of IT system used

List of EN or other standards applied

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API 2545 standard

#### cc. Tracking Instruments

The procedure used to keep track of instruments installed in the installation used for determining activity data.

Title of procedure
Reference for procedure
Diagram reference
Brief description of procedure.

Procedure for Sampling & Analysis EMS9.1-11 N/A

even though the GC & metering for natural gas and gasoil is outside the control of ESB Aghada, ESB Aghada will ensure that BGE uses in date and calibrated instruments and gases & P66 perform gasoil meter calibrations on their usual 6 monthly basis. ESB Aghada has a PM in place, policy number 0370000001 YE 001 to prompt BGE to change gases, requests monitoring checks from BGE for meters, calibrations, spot-checks conducted by themselves or a third party on their behalf. ESB aghada will also ensure that independent stock checks are completed by a third party and the oil ops perform monthly dips. ESB aghada has a metering record schedule for both natural gas and gasoil in place. This ensures compliance with appropriate tiers on behalf of ESB Aghada

Post or department responsible for the procedure and for any data generated Location where records are kept Name of IT system used List of EN or other standards applied

Station Chemist/ Environmental CoOrdinator

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# 11. Management

## dd. Monitoring and Reporting Responsibilities

Responsibilities for monitoring and reporting emissions from the installation are listed below:

Relevant job titles/posts and provide a succinct summary of their role relevant to monitoring and reporting are listed below.

Job Title / Post	Responsibilities
Environmental CoOrdinator	Internal check of calculations & reports, compilation of emission report, permit & M&R compliance, Tank Dips, Gas metering, gasoil deliveries
ESB Environmental Services Head Office	Audit station procedures, calculation etc. on a six monthly basis
Technical Services Engineer	Fuel consumption & analysis, recording, checks imputs to fuel management system & OIS, calculations for CO2 and input to annual report
Station Manager	Sign off on verified report

Attachment	Description
Aghada Organisational chart 2012.doc	Aghada Organisational chart 2012

#### ee. Assignment of Responsibilities

Details of the procedure used for managing the assignment of responsibilities for monitoring and reporting within the installation and for managing the competencies of responsible personnel in accordance with Article 58(3)(c) of the MRR:

This procedure identifies how the monitoring and reporting responsibilities for the roles identified above are assigned and how training and reviews are undertaken.

Title of procedure

Reference for procedure
Diagram reference
Brief description of procedure. The description should
cover the essential parameters and operations performed

PROCEDURE DESCRIBING THE PROTOCOL USED IN THE DETERMINATION OF CO2 EMISSIONS FOR AGHADA Thermal EMS 11.2-07

N/A

The purpose of this procedure is to illustrate how CO2 Emissions are calculated for Aghada Thermal according to the Monitoring and Reporting Plan as agreed with the EPA. The procedure details the roles & responsibilities of personnel in the station. A flowchart also illustrates roles & responsibilities. Monitoring and reporting responsibilities are assigned to people competent in the area and familiar with the GHG reporting. Personnel involved contribute as part of their day to day responsibilities & are involved for example in stock checks for in-house verification and for ESB Head office (e.g. Oilops) & EPA. Training and reviews occur at annual pre-verification stage or if personnel change positions or vacate a position. Segregation of duties is demonstrated in the EMS 11.2-07 Procedure describing the protocol used in the determination of CO2 for Thermal attached. Duties are highlighted by different colours indicating different personnell involved. The Station manager or his appointee can act to verify all information for site and activities as appropriate.

The Station shall ensure that relevant documents are available when and where they are needed to perform the data flow activities as well as control activities. The station will comply with the requirements of article 58(3)(c) in terms of delegation & segregation of duties. It will manage the necesary competences and and include training and reviews as part of that. The station will comply with the M&R regulations and the segregation of duties is complied with, the details of which are in section 9 of the attached procedure.

Post or department responsible for the procedure and for any data generated Location where records are kept Name of IT system used List of EN or other standards applied

Station chemist/ Environmental CoOrdinator

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### ff. Monitoring Plan Appropriateness

Details of the procedure used for regular evaluation of the monitoring plan's appropriateness covering in particular any potential measures for the improvement of the monitoring methodology:

Title of procedure

PROCEDURE DESCRIBING THE PROTOCOL USED IN THE **DETERMINATION OF CO2 EMISSIONS FOR AGHADA Thermal** 

Reference for procedure

N/A

EMS 11.2-07

Diagram reference

Brief description of procedure. The description should

cover the essential parameters and operations performed

In this procedure, section 10 indicates the that 6 monthly cross checks by HO & verifier and this is how we manage

monitoring plan appropriateness. The monitoring plan appropriateness is reviewed by on-site personnel prior to any changes in emission sources, source streams and metering and fuel analysis. All reviews cover checking emission sources and source streams for completeness and that any changes have been taken into account, assessing compliance with uncertainty thresholds for activity data and assessing potential measures for improvement of monitoring methodology. This is to ensure compliance with

Article 69.1 of the Monitoring and Reporting Regulation.

Post or department responsible for the procedure and for Station chemist/ Environmental CoOrdinator

any data generated

Location where records are kept

Name of IT system used

List of EN or other standards applied

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N/A

## gg. Data Flow Activities

Details of the procedures used to manage data flow activities in accordance with Article 57 of the MRR:

Title of procedure

PROCEDURE DESCRIBING THE PROTOCOL USED IN THE **DETERMINATION OF CO2 EMISSIONS FOR AGHADA Thermal** 

EMS 11.2-07

Reference for procedure

Diagram reference

Brief description of procedure. The description should cover the essential parameters and operations performed N/A

ESB Aghada has establishes, documented, implemented and maintains written procedures for data flow activities for the monitoring and reporting of greenhouse gas emissions and ensure that the annual emission report resulting from data flow activities, does not contain misstatements and is in conformance with the monitoring plan, those written procedures and this Regulation. Procedure details information flow and links both internally and externally. It highlights interactions - third party involvement and station staff involvement in the process to

ensure correct reporting.

Post or department responsible for the procedure and for Station chemist/ Environmental CoOrdinator

any data generated

Location where records are kept Name of IT system used List of EN or other standards applied List of primary data sources

Description of the relevant processing steps for each specific data flow activity.

Identify each step in the data flow and include the formulas and data used to determine emissions from the primary data. Include details of any relevant electronic data processing and storage systems and other inputs (including manual inputs) and confirm how outputs of data flow activities are recorded

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BGE gas reports and invoices, gasoil invoices and analysis, year stock checks
As per the procedure:

Calculation Methodology

CO2 emissions = Fuel consumed\*Emission Factor\*NCV\*Oxidation factor

Fuels consumed are Natural Gas and Gas Oil.

Natural gas is determined by NCV and EF from chromatograph.

Gas Oil Consumption is based on delivery invoices and annual independently witnessed tank dips.

Gas oil is determined by opening stock + deliveries - closing stock

## **Natural Gas**

The Bord Gais report to the station will include the average gas analysis on an hourly basis. This analysis is generated from a Bord Gais Gas Chromatograph which self-calibrates daily. The Carbon content of the gas will be calculated from this analysis. In relation to natural gas on-line analytical systems, performance evaluation tests shall be conducted annually in accordance with ISO 10723 "Natural gas Performance for on-line analytical Systems". Where this is not already the case, future performance evaluation tests shall be conducted by an EN ISO 17025 accredited Lab. Results of such tests should be maintained on-site. Online analytical systems shall be calibrated with certified reference materials supplied by an EN ISO 17025 accredited lab.

## Calculation

The spreadsheet calculates the weight of carbon in grams for each component gas in the gas mixture.

The calculation is as follows:

One Gram-Mole of methane (16 grams) occupies 22.414

litres at standard conditions (0°C, 1.01325b)

Therefore 1 litre of pure methane weighs 16 ÷ 22.414grams.

Methane fraction in the gas mixture is (say) 99%.

Per litre of gas mixture, methane weighs (99  $\div$  100) x (16  $\div$  22.414) grams at standard conditions

Carbon weight in methane expressed as a fraction is 12 ÷ 16 (Mol Wt of Carbon divided by Mol Wt of Methane)

Therefore wt of carbon in grams per litre of gas mixture is

$$(12 \div 16) \times (99 \div 100) \times 16 \div 22.414$$
 grams.

This calculation is done for each component gas and the component carbon weights summed.

This total weight in grams per litre is converted to CO2 in grams per KCM.

A factor of 3.664 is used.

This figure is then multiplied by the gas flow rate in Sm3 per hour to produce a figure for CO2 emitted per hour, expressed in tonnes.

The volume of natural gas is adjusted to standard conditions (OC, 101.325 kPa).

The total weight of CO2 in grams per KCM is multiplied by the volume to give total CO2 for the period.

For periods of time where natural gas analysis data is missing, the average analysis will be calculated for the valid data for that month. These values will be used only for period where data is missing. The average gas analysis for the year will be determined annually. This data will then be used to calculate the annual NCV to ISO 6976. The emission factor will be calculated using CO2 and NCV data.

Gas Oil

The carbon content and NCV figures as determined by an ISO17025 accredited laboratory based on its analysis of six (6) gas oil samples drawn each year will be used and/or if 20,000T of gasoil are used extra samples will be taken. If less than 20,000 tonnes of gasoil are used, the average of

the six samples results for NCV & carbon content will be used. On the basis of the emission factor the CO2 per tera joule will be calculated. Samples will be taken by an independent agency every 20,000 tonnes and at least six times per year. Stock checks are done by an independent thrid party. Activity data is in litres. Requirements of Artice 57 are addressed.

Submit relevant documents to record data flow activities

Attachment	Description
EMS 11.2-07 Procedure describing the protool used in the determination of CO2 for Aghada thermal. ver 17 doc.doc	EMS 11.2-07 Procedure describing the protool used in the determination of CO2 for Aghada thermal. ver 17 doc.doc

## hh. Assessing and Controlling Risks

Details of the procedures used to assess inherent risks and control risks in accordance with Article 58 of the MRR:

Title of procedure	PROCEDURE DESCRIBING THE PROTOCOL USED IN THE
	DETERMINATION OF CO2 EMISSIONS FOR AGHADA Thermal
Reference for procedure	EMS 11.2-07
Diagram reference	N/A
Brief description of procedure. The description should	The purpose of this procedure is to show how CO2
cover the essential parameters and operations performed	emissions are determined & described in a single protocol.
	The protocol details the risk register for the station. Some
	of the risks assessed include methodology, calculations,
	legal, IT contols, QA, validation fo data, metering
	equipment, corrective actions. It identifies the controls
	and systems in place to ensure compliance with regulations
	and that of Article 58 where relevant.
Post or department responsible for the procedure and for	Station chemist/ Environmental CoOrdinator
any data generated	
Location where records are kept	Aghada Microsoft Sharepoint & Hardcopies
Name of IT system used	IDM Microsoft Sharepoint
List of EN or other standards applied	N/A

## ii. Quality Assurance of Metering / Measuring Equipment

Details of the procedures used to ensure quality assurance of measuring equipment in accordance with Article 58 and 59 of the MRR.

Title of procedure

PROCEDURE DESCRIBING THE PROTOCOL USED IN THE

Reference for procedure Diagram reference

Brief description of procedure. The description should cover the essential parameters and operations performed

DETERMINATION OF CO2 EMISSIONS FOR AGHADA Thermal EMS 9.1-11

N/A

The purpose of this procedure is to show how CO2 emissions are determined & described in a single protocol. Reference is made to gas meter records kept, GC calibrations records obtained and verified and gasoil meters records that are kept to ensure quality assurance, compliance and corrective actions where necessary. ESB Aghada will make sure that all relevant measuring equipment is calibrated, adjusted and checked at regular intervals including prior to use, and checked against measurement standards traceable to international measurement standards, where available, in accordance with the requirements of this Regulation and proportionate to the risks identified. Where components of the measuring systems cannot be calibrated, the ESB Aghada shall identify those in the monitoring plan and propose alternative control activities. When the equipment is found not to comply with required performance, ESB Aghada shall promptly take necessary corrective action. Station chemist/ Environmental CoOrdinator

Post or department responsible for the procedure and for any data generated Location where records are kept Name of IT system used List of EN or other standards applied

Aghada Microsoft Sharepoint & Hardcopies IDM Microsoft Sharepoint N/A

## jj. Quality Assurance of Information Technology used for Data Flow Activities

Details of the procedures used to ensure quality assurance of information technology used for data flow activities in accordance with Article 58 and 60 of the MRR:

Title of procedure

Reference for procedure
Diagram reference
Brief description of procedure. The description should
cover the essential parameters and operations performed

PROCEDURE DESCRIBING THE PROTOCOL USED IN THE DETERMINATION OF CO2 EMISSIONS FOR AGHADA Thermal EMS 11.2-07

N/A

The purpose of this procedure is to show how CO2 emissions are determined & described in a single protocol. The procedure refers to record keeping, All documents are kept for 10 years. The station holds electronic and hardcopies. Access to spreadsheets are password controlled. The information documentation management folders are read & write for personnel directly involved in GHG activities & read only for general staff. Back up, recovery and security of electronic files are managed outside of the station by IT security at ESB Head Office. Backup of electronic copies is every 24 hrs. ESB Aghada shall ensure that the information technology system is designed, documented, tested, implemented, controlled and maintained in a way to process reliable, accurate and

timely data in accordance with the risks identified in accordance with point (a) of Article 58(2). The control of the information technology system shall include access control, control of back up, recovery, continuity planning and security.

Post or department responsible for the procedure and for

any data generated

Location where records are kept

Name of IT system used

List of EN or other standards applied

Station chemist/ Environmental CoOrdinator

Aghada Microsoft Sharepoint & Hardcopies

**IDM Microsoft Sharepoint** 

N/A

#### kk. Review and Validation of Data

Details of the procedures used to ensure regular internal reviews and validation of data in accordance with Articles 58 and 62 of the MRR.

Title of procedure

Reference for procedure Diagram reference

Brief description of procedure. The description should cover the essential parameters and operations performed

PROCEDURE DESCRIBING THE PROTOCOL USED IN THE DETERMINATION OF CO2 EMISSIONS FOR AGHADA Thermal EMS 11.2-07

N/A

The purpose of this procedure is to show how CO2 emissions are determined & described in a single protocol. ESB Aghada will document, implement and maintain an effective control system to ensure that the annual emission report does not contain misstatements and is in conformity with the monitoring plan and MRR. ESB Aghada will assess inherent risks and control risks;ESB Aghada has written procedures related to control activities that mitigate the risks identified. The written procedure relates to quality assurance of the measurement equipment. (b) quality assurance of the information technology system used for data flow activities, including process control computer technology;

(c) segregation of duties in the data flow activities and control activities as well as management of necessary competencies;(d) internal reviews and validation of data;(e) corrections and corrective action;(f) control of out-sourced processes;(g) keeping records and documentation including the management of document versions. ESB Aghada will monitor the effectiveness of the control system, including by carrying out internal reviews and taking into account the findings of the verifier during the verification of annual emission reports.

ESB Aghada shall review and validate data resulting from the data flow activities. The review and validation process includes a check on whether data is complete, comparisons with data over previous years, comparison of fuel consumption reported with purchase records and factor

obtained for fuel analysis with country specific and/or international reference factors , if applicable, and criteria

for rejecting data.

Post or department responsible for the procedure and for

any data generated

Location where records are kept

Name of IT system used

List of EN or other standards applied

Station chemist/ Environmental CoOrdinator

Aghada Microsoft Sharepoint & Hardcopies

**IDM Microsoft Sharepoint** 

N/A

#### II. Corrections and Corrective Actions

Details of the procedures used to handle corrections and corrective actions in accordance with Articles 58 and 63 of the MRR:

Title of procedure

Reference for procedure Diagram reference

Brief description of procedure. The description should cover the essential parameters and operations performed

PROCEDURE DESCRIBING THE PROTOCOL USED IN THE DETERMINATION OF CO2 EMISSIONS FOR AGHADA Thermal

EMS 11.2-07

N/A

The purpose of this procedure is to show how CO2 emissions are determined & described in a single protocol. Corrective actions are detailed in section 12 of the procedure. The procedure details all close out mechanism from internal & external reports during validation for the

reporting years. The whole process of gathering data for the EUTS will be reviewed and checked on and ongoing basis. If there is a problem with data or figures they are promply addressed by means of a investigation. Data is reviewed and data corrected. If needs be procedures are amended. In the past peventative maintenance policys have been created to ensure that errors do not occur again. Any corrective actions or changes will be notified to the EPA in a timely manner if required. These notifications will be the responsibility of the Environmental Coordinator. ESB Aghada is certified to ISO 14001 is audited frequently by a third party. ESB Aghada shall make appropriate corrections and correct rejected data whilst avoiding

underestimation of emissions.

Post or department responsible for the procedure and for

any data generated

Location where records are kept

Name of IT system used

List of EN or other standards applied

Station chemist/ Environmental CoOrdinator

Aghada Microsoft Sharepoint & Hardcopies

**IDM Microsoft Sharepoint** 

N/A

#### mm. Control of Outsourced Activities

Details of the procedures used to control outsourced processes in accordance with Articles 59 and 64 of the MRR.

Title of procedure

Reference for procedure Diagram reference

Brief description of procedure. The description should cover the essential parameters and operations performed

PROCEDURE DESCRIBING THE PROTOCOL USED IN THE DETERMINATION OF CO2 EMISSIONS FOR AGHADA Thermal EMS 11.2-07

N/A

The purpose of this procedure is to show how CO2 emissions are determined & described in a single protocol. ESB Aghada has a number of outsourced activities- BGE calibrate & keep maintenance records of the chromatograph & keep records of gas flow meters . BGE also issue reports to ESB Aghada in relation to the AGI at ESB Aghada. The sampling, analysis and tank dips in relation to gas oil and their meter records are all reviewed, maintained and calibrated by several third parties. The station complies with Articles 59 and 64. ESB Aghada shall ensure that all relevant measuring equipment is calibrated, adjusted and checked at regular intervals including prior to use, and checked against measurement standards traceable to international measurement standards, where available, in accordance with the requirements of this Regulation and proportionate to the risks identified.

In addition, ESB aghada will a) check the quality of the outsourced data flow activities and control activities in accordance with this Regulation;(b) define appropriate requirements for the outputs of the outsourced processes as well as the methods used in those processes;(c) check the quality of the outputs and methods referred to in point (b) of this Article; (d) ensure that outsourced activities are carried out such that those are responsive to the inherent risks and control risks identified in the risk assessment referred to in Article 58.

Post or department responsible for the procedure and for any data generated

Location where records are kept Name of IT system used

List of EN or other standards applied

Station chemist/ Environmental CoOrdinator

Aghada Microsoft Sharepoint & Hardcopies IDM Microsoft Sharepoint

N/A

## nn. Record Keeping and Documentation

Details of the procedures used to manage record keeping and documentation:

Title of procedure

Reference for procedure Diagram reference

Brief description of procedure. The description should cover the essential parameters and operations performed

PROCEDURE DESCRIBING THE PROTOCOL USED IN THE DETERMINATION OF CO2 EMISSIONS FOR AGHADA Thermal EMS 11.2-07

N/A

The purpose of this procedure is to show how CO2 emissions are determined & described in a single protocol. ESB will meet the requirements of Article 66 and Annex IX. All records relating to the consumption of fuel shall be maintained on site by the Technical Services Engineer. All

relevant information relating to quantity and calculation shall be entered into the stations Perform by the Technical Services Engineer. All records shall be maintained on site for a period of ten years.

Post or department responsible for the procedure and for Station chemist/ Environmental CoOrdinator

any data generated

Location where records are kept Aghada Microsoft Sharepoint & Hardcopies

Name of IT system used IDM Microsoft Sharepoint

List of EN or other standards applied N/A

#### oo. Risk Assessment

The results of a risk assessment that demonstrates that the control activities and procedures are commensurate with the risks identified:

Attachment	Description
14 Aghada Risk Register Nov 2013.doc	14 Aghada Risk Register Nov 2013.doc

### pp. Environmental Management System

Does your organisation have a documented Environmental Yes Management System?

Is the Environmental Management System certified by an Yes accredited organisation?

The standard to which the Environmental Management ISO14001:2015 System is certified:

## 12. Changes in Operation

### qq. Changes in Operation

Article 24(1) of Commission Decision 2011/278/EC requires that Member States must ensure that all relevant information about any planned or effective changes to the capacity activity level and operation of an installation is submitted by the operator to the competent authority by 31 December each year. Article 12(3) of the MRR further provides that Member States may require information to be included in the monitoring plan of an installation for the purposes of meeting these requirements.

Details of the procedure used to ensure regular reviews are carried out to identify any planned or effective changes to the capacity activity level and operation of the installation that have an impact on the installation's allocation:

The procedure specified below cover the following:

- planning and carrying out regular checks to determine whether any planned or effective changes to the capacity activity level and operation of an installation are relevant under Commission Decision 2011/278/EC; and
- Procedures to ensure such information is submitted to the competent authority by 31 December of each year.

Title of procedure

Reference for procedure

Diagram reference

Brief description of procedure. The description should

cover the essential parameters and operations performed

Post or department responsible for the procedure and for any data generated

Location where records are kept

N/A

Name of IT system used

N/A

### 13. Abbreviations

## rr. Abbreviations Acronyms or definitions

Abbreviations acronyms or definitions that have been used in this monitoring plan:

Abbreviation	Definition
IDM	Information Document Management

# 14. Additional Information

Any other information:

Attachment	Description
ghg063 diesel generator 2009 details.pdf	details of capacity of replaced generator in 2009

Attachment	Description
18_0152_04 Calibration Report Aghada AGI 2018 (H- 14M36040078).pdf	18_0152_04 Calibration Report Aghada AGI 2018 (H- 14M36040078).pdf
18_0152_04 Certificate of Calibration Aghada AGI 2018 (H-14M36040078).pdf	18_0152_04 Certificate of Calibration Aghada AGI 2018 (H-14M36040078).pdf
Photo disconnect NG.docx	Confirm NG disconnected from AD1

## 15. Confidentiality

### ss. Confidentiality Statement

It is the Environmental Protection Agency's policy to make information received by it in the course of its work open to inspection by any person on request. This is in accordance with the provisions of the European Communities (Access to Information on the Environment) Regulations 2007 to 2011.

In the event that you considered that some of the information being submitted of a confidential nature, then the nature of this information and the reasons why it should be considered confidential, with reference to the European Communities (Access to Information on the Environment) Regulations 2007 to 2011 and any amendments must be explicitly requested using the facility below. The Board of the Environmental Protection Agency will consider the requests and if the information can be deemed as confidential and necessary.

Notwithstanding any request for confidentiality, the Environmental Protection Agency explicitly reserves the right to release data to the Commission, including emissions and allocations to the public, on the basis that the data will be used for the purposes foreseen in Directive 2003/87/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 13 October 2003 establishing a scheme for greenhouse gas emission allowance trading within the Community and amending Council Directive 96/61/EC.

Please tick this box if you consider that any part of your false form should be treated as commercially confidential/sensitive:

END of Appendix I.