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Subject: NSIP - Keuper Gas Storage Project - HSE Rule 8 Response to question 11.5

Dear Keuper Gas Storage Project Case Team (Planning Inspectorate),

Keuper Gas Storage Project (EN030002)

Our reference: 10032006

11.5	Applicant, Health and Safety Executive	Please would the HSE provide information on the issues it will expect to be addressed before it provides its advice on the application for Hazardous Substance Consent, the extent to which issues have already been addressed by the applicant following consultation and issues still to be resolved.
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In response to Question 11.5, the HSE has now provided its consultation advice (attached) to Cheshire West and Chester Council for Hazardous Substances Consent application (16/01362/HAZ) – HSE **does not advise against** the application.

Kind regards,

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Hazardous Installations
Directorate

Date 12th April 2016

Our Ref: 4.2.1.5092.
Your Ref: 16/01362/HAZ

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Dear Sirs

THE PLANNING (HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES) REGULATIONS 2015

Proposal: New Hazardous Substances Consent for the storage of Natural Gas

Location: Keuper Gas Storage Project, Drakelow Lane, Byley, Northwich, Cheshire.

Applicant: Keuper Gas Storage Limited

1. The Health and Safety Executive has assessed the risks to the surrounding areas from the likely activities resulting from the granting of Hazardous Substances Consent.
2. Only the risks from Hazardous Substances for which Consent is being sought have been assessed. The Health and Safety Executive has assessed the risk of harm from the maximum quantity of hazardous substances for which Consent is being sought. Risks which may arise from the presence of other substances have not been taken into account in this assessment.
3. The Health and Safety Executive has not been able to take account of any proposed developments in the surrounding areas that have been granted planning permission, but are not yet built. This may also apply to existing developments that did not appear on the maps accompanying the consent application. Since this may affect our advice please consult The Health and Safety Executive again if there are any such developments within the consultation zone proposed on the map referred to below.
4. In considering this application for Consent, The Health and Safety Executive has made the assumption that the requirements of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974, and all relevant statutory provisions, will be met at the establishment should Consent be granted. On this basis, The Health and Safety Executive has concluded that the risks to the surrounding population arising from the proposed operations are so small that **there are no significant reasons, on safety grounds, for refusing Hazardous Substances Consent 16/01362/HAZ**

5. Following Government advice that particulars in the application do not automatically become conditions of consent, the following condition should be included:

"The Hazardous Substances shall not be kept or used other than in accordance with the particulars provided in the Application (which includes the Technical Addendum), nor outside the areas marked for storage of the substances on the plan which formed part of the application."
6. Upon confirmation that Consent has been granted, the consultation zone map (Appendix A) will be placed on The Health and Safety Executives Land Use Planning Web App. This is available to your authorised administrator and users via the extranet at <https://pa.hsl.gov.uk/>. When Consent is granted, please send a copy of all the consent documents to this office via hazsubcon.CEMHD5@hse.gov.uk so that our records can be updated.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require clarification of this reply.

Yours sincerely



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