AUGEAN SOUTH LTD ENRMF

APPENDIX CRH

Public information leaflet and poster advertising consultation.

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Application for a Development Consent Order for the Alteration and Construction of Hazardous Waste and Low Level Radioactive Waste Facilities at the East Northants Resource Management Facility



WHAT IS PROPOSED

The principal elements of the proposals are:

- The construction of new landfill void for the disposal of hazardous wastes and Low Level Radioactive Waste (LLW) to the west of the currently operated site.
- Continuation of filling of the existing ENRMF landfill with hazardous waste and LLW and the creation of new void within the current site in order to create a cohesive restoration profile with the proposed extension area.
- The waste that is disposed of directly into the landfill will continue at the present rate of up to 150,000 tonnes per annum.
- Due to improved techniques to treat, recover and reuse waste materials an increase to the throughput to the waste treatment and recovery facility up to 250,000 tonnes per annum.
- The continued disposal of LLW which will be limited to the lower activity end of the range of wastes classified as LLW which typically has a level of radioactivity of up to 200 Bq/g.
- The operational hours of the site will not change from those already permitted.
- Restoration of the site to nature conservation purposes with public access.
- Completion of the landfilling and restoration operations by December 2046.



CONSULTATION

In accordance with its normal practice, Augean is committed to consultation with the local community in respect of any new development at its sites. When making an application for a DCO, the applicant has a statutory duty to consult on the proposals and must follow a specific process. For the purposes of the consultation a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) has been prepared which sets out the details of the current site and the surrounding environment, describes the proposed development and includes the technical studies that have been undertaken to date to assess the potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed development. The PEIR can be read in full at www.augeanplc.com/enrmf-planning/ from 26 October 2020.

Augean had hoped to present the PEIR together with other relevant information about the site and its operations in a physical exhibition, however this is not possible due to current Covid-19

restrictions.

So that you still can participate in the consultation we are making the exhibition boards available online at www.augeanplc/enrmf-planning/from2 November 2020.

The online exhibition will include opportunities to send in questions about the proposed development which the professional team will be pleased to answer and a comments sheet so that you can submit your response to the consultation. You can let us know if you are interested in participating in a topic based online presentation during the week commencing 30 November 2020 by filling in the online request form. There are links to all the consultation documents as part of the exhibition.

If you are unable to access the exhibition online, you can ring our Telephone Helpline 01904 654989 to request a hard copy exhibition pack which contains a booklet version of the exhibition boards together with all the response forms. If you are unable to access any of the consultation documents and wish to see them in a different format, please ring 01904 654989 and we will be pleased to help you further.

Copies of the documents including the PEIR may be inspected free of charge using online facilities only at the following locations and during the hours set out below from **26 October 2020 until 14 December 2020**. The opening times of these venues are governed by independent organisations and may be subject to change.

Oundle Public Library, Glapthorn Road, Oundle PE8 4JA
Opening hours: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10am - 4pm | Saturday 10am - 2pm

Stamford Public Library, High Street, Stamford PE9 2BB Opening hours: Monday - Friday 10am - 4pm | Saturday 10am - 3pm

The consultation will provide an important opportunity for the local community to engage and help inform the proposed development before the application is submitted. Responses to the consultation will be taken into account before finalising the proposals and submitting the application for a DCO.

We welcome your responses to our proposals and would be grateful if you would submit any comments you may have on the proposed development to ENRMF@augeanconsultation.co.uk or by post to ENRMF Project Office, 52 The Tannery Lawrence Street, York. YO10 3WH. If you are unable to use any other method, we will accept verbal comments, so please ring our Telephone Helpline 01904 654989. All responses should be received by the end of 14 December 2020. Please see our privacy notice at the end of this leaflet.

APPLICATION FOR A DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER

The proposals at ENRMF are classified as a Nationally Significant Infrastructure Project (NSIP) under the Planning Act 2008 and consent must be granted by the Secretary of State in the form of a DCO. Augean therefore will submit the DCO application to the Planning Inspectorate (PINS) rather than to Northamptonshire County Council or the emerging North Northamptonshire Council. PINS is an impartial public body whose role is to consider all important and relevant matters and advise the Secretary of State whether consent should be granted for nationally significant infrastructure projects.

The application for the proposed development requires that it is supported by a suite of Environmental Impact Assessments, therefore for the purposes of the consultation a Preliminary Environmental Information Report (PEIR) has been prepared which sets out the details of the current site and the surrounding environment, describes the proposed development and includes the technical studies that have been undertaken to date to assess the potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed development.

WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

An analysis of the responses we receive will be included in a Consultation Report that will accompany the application for the DCO. We will report back to the local community to let you know how we have responded to the comments we have received during the consultation process when we submit the application. Augean anticipates that the application will be submitted in Spring 2021.

Once the application is submitted, PINS will first decide, on behalf of the Secretary of State, whether to accept the application. If accepted, PINS will appoint an independent examiner or panel of examiners (referred to as the Examining Authority) who carry out a six-month examination with hearings and consider any representations made by interested parties. Following the examination, the Examining Authority will make a recommendation to the Secretary of State who will then decide whether a DCO should be made.

Further information regarding the DCO application process can be found on the National Infrastructure Planning website at:

https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/application-process/the-process/ or by telephone on 0303 444 5000.

The Planning Inspectorate have a dedicated project page available on their website for ENRMF which will be updated throughout the project:

https://infrastructure.planninginspectorate.gov.uk/projects/east-midlands/east-northants-resourcemanagement-facility-western-extension/

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any difficulties accessing the documents or if you have any questions.

WASTE MATERIALS AT ENRMF



Waste Treatment and Recovery Facility

The site receives a wide range of primarily industrial waste such as contaminated soils, stabilised wastes and residues from waste treatment and recovery operations. Strict site rules mean that no liquids, explosive, flammable, oxidising, corrosive or infectious wastes are accepted for disposal at landfill sites.

The Low Level Waste which may be accepted is waste that contains very small amounts of radioactivity. The waste typically is construction and demolition waste such as soils, crushed concrete, bricks and metals from decommissioning nuclear power plant buildings and infrastructure, or from manufacturing activities, science and research facilities and hospitals where radioactive materials are used. The levels of radiation present in the material are extremely low and when handled in the correct manner in accordance with the site procedures, do not pose a risk to the workers at the site, the local environment or the public.

The Waste Treatment and Recovery Facility sited within ENRMF has increased in use over the last few years so that more waste is treated and less waste is directly landfilled. This results in a more sustainable approach by reducing any polluting potential the waste may have and results in a more efficient use of resources both through recovery of materials and preservation of the landfill capacity for treated waste materials for which there is no alternative other than disposal.

Augean has a well-trained and experienced workforce at ENRMF who are used to handling difficult wastes in a safe way.

All the wastes at the site are subject to monitoring and management procedures and site operational controls so that any emissions from the site are managed to criteria specified and agreed with the Environment Agency so that people and the environment are protected.

AUGEAN PLC

Augean is a leading company in the specialist waste management sector. It delivers a wide range of services in order to recycle, treat, recover and dispose of difficult to manage waste materials in a sustainable and responsible way. Where waste must be disposed of Augean treats the waste when practicable to reduce the polluting potential before landfill disposal.

The company operates 15 sites across the UK and has owned and operated the East Northants Resource Management Facility (ENRMF) since 2004.

Augean places a great importance on ensuring that it meets high standards of health and safety and regulatory compliance so that it can deliver its services in a way that is safe for local communities, the environment and employees.

THE EAST NORTHANTS RESOURCE MANAGEMENT FACILITY

The ENRMF is a nationally important facility which is recognised as playing a significant role within the nation's specialist waste management infrastructure.

The existing ENRMF site is an active hazardous waste and low level radioactive waste (LLW) landfill site together with a waste treatment and recovery facility. The landfill is operated in progressive phases so that there are parts of the site which are operational, awaiting operations and completed and under restoration. The site infrastructure includes an established site access, waste reception facilities, car parking areas, site offices, welfare facilities, storage areas, laboratories and wheel and vehicle body washing facilities. The new area that is proposed to be included in the operational area is immediately west of the existing site and is currently predominantly agricultural land.



Register of Stakeholders

We hold a list of emails and addresses of members of the public who have an interest in the application so that we can quickly and effectively send you more information by post or email, that you may find helpful. If you would like to be included on this list, please contact us by telephone: 01904 654989 or email: ENRMF@augeanconsultation.co.uk You can unsubscribe from this list at any time. Please see our privacy notice below.

Please note that responses and other representations will be made public, although personal information will be withheld. Personal information details will be held securely by the Applicant and any appointed agent of the Applicant in accordance with the relevant data protection legislation and will be used solely in connection with the consultation process and all applicable and relevant DCO application(s). For information on how the Applicant processes personal information and your data protection rights, please visit its privacy notice at www.augeanplc.com/online-privacy-notice/.



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Application for a Development Consent Order to extend the East Northants Resource Management Facility to the west of the current site

Consultation

As part of the preparation for the application for a Development Consent Order Augean would like to give the local community the opportunity to learn more about the proposals and comment on them

We are unable to hold public exhibitions at present due to Covid-19 restrictions

You can access the exhibition online at augeanplc.com/enrmf-planning/

Or you can request a hard copy exhibition pack by email or our telephone helpline



For further information please contact

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