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Council Offices Church Walk
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Our ref: NO/2012/103532/01-L01
Your ref: 3/2012/0090
Date: 20 April 2012

Dear Sir/Madam

**PROPOSALS FOR THE TEMPORARY USE OF THE AREA OF GRASSLAND AS
A REMOTE COMPOUND AND MATERIAL STORE AREA IN RELATION TO A
MAINTENANCE PROJECT TO THE WATER ON THE RIVERS BRENNAND AND
WHITENDALE
LAND OFF PRIVATE ACCESS TRACK LEADING TO FOOTHOLME PUMPING
STATION, ACCESSED OFF NEWTON ROAD, DUNSOP BRIDGE**

Thank you for referring the above application which was received on 3 April 2012.

The Agency has no objection in principle to the proposed development subject to the inclusion of conditions which meet the following requirements.

The site lies within a groundwater source protection zone 1 and should be considered as being very sensitive to the input of pollutants at the surface. Any storage facility, such as tanks, lagoons and pipework must be designed and maintained in such a way that that the risk of inputs of pollutants to groundwater is minimal. Facilities that leak and result in inputs of pollutants to groundwater should be repaired at the earliest opportunity; they may also require a permit under the Environmental Permitting Regulations or may be subject to a prohibition notice if the input is unacceptable.

It is recommended that where possible any facilities for the storage of oils, fuels or chemicals should be located as far as feasibly possible from the public water supply borehole.

CONDITION Any facilities for the storage of oils, fuels or chemicals shall be provided with secondary containment that is impermeable to both the oil, fuel or chemical and water, for example a bund, details of which shall be submitted to the local planning authority for approval. The minimum volume of the secondary containment should be at least equivalent to the capacity of the tank plus 10%. If there is more than one tank in the secondary containment the capacity of the

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containment should be at least the capacity of the largest tank plus 10% or 25% of the total tank capacity, whichever is greatest. All fill points, vents, gauges and sight gauge must be located within the secondary containment. The secondary containment shall have no opening used to drain the system. Associated above ground pipework should be protected from accidental damage. Below ground pipework should have no mechanical joints, except at inspection hatches and either leak detection equipment installed or regular leak checks. All fill points and tank vent pipe outlets should be detailed to discharge downwards into the bund.

REASON To prevent pollution of surface water and groundwater resources

CONDITION The development hereby permitted shall not be commenced until such time as a method statement to clean up any spillages of oils, fuels or chemicals has been submitted to, and approved in writing by, the local planning authority. The scheme shall be implemented as approved.

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We would like to refer the applicant to our groundwater policies in Groundwater Protection: Principles and Practice (consultation draft 2011 - final version due July 2012), available from our website. This sets out our position for a wide range of activities and developments, including the storage of pollutants. In particular the applicant should refer to policy P2-9 Principles of storage.

A copy of this letter has been sent to the applicant/agent.

Yours faithfully

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