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Development Control
Council Offices Church Walk
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Lancashire
BB7 2RA

Our ref: NO/2012/103537/01-L01
Your ref: 3/2012/0256
Date: 20 April 2012

Dear Sir/Madam

**PROPOSED EARTH BANKED SLURRY LAGOON
WATT CLOSE FARM, BURNLEY ROAD, GISBURN**

Thank you for referring the above application which was received on 27 March 2012.

We have no objection in principle to the proposed development but wishes to make the following comments:-

Both the slurry lagoon and silage clamp must be constructed to meet the Silage, Slurry and Agricultural Fuel Oils Regulations.

If the slurry lagoon is proposed to be constructed from in-situ clay, a permeability test should be undertaken to confirm suitability and the results sent to the Environment Agency. The regulations also require other key engineering requirements. Factsheets 3 and 5 on the link below provide further details, together with the soil suitability guidance.

<http://www.environment-agency.gov.uk/business/sectors/118798.aspx>

If the applicant wishes to discuss these requirements in more detail, they should contact the local environment officer Jackie Monk (01772 714354) in more detail prior to starting construction.

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

Yours faithfully

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Planning Liaison Officer

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