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Development Control
Council Offices Church Walk
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BB7 2RA

Our ref: NO/2013/105263/02-L01
Your ref: 3/2013/0448
Date: 10 April 2014

Dear Sir/Madam

PROPOSED POULTRY UNIT

OAKFIELD, LONGSIGHT ROAD, CLAYTON-LE-DALE

Thank you for consulting us on the above application.

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

The applicant should be aware that if the livestock capacity exceeds 40,000 poultry an Environment Agency permit will be required.

The Environmental Considerations section of the Design and Access Statement submitted with the application refers to the "Code of Good Practice for the Protection of Air" (1998). This was superseded in 2009 by the DEFRA "Protecting our Water, Soil and Air: A Code of Good Agricultural Practice for farmers, growers and land managers" (<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/protecting-our-water-soil-and-air>) and the operation of the poultry unit should conform to this rather than the 1998 document. Of particular relevance to this operation are:-

- Section 1.5 : Accident and Emergency Planning (specifically, planning for environmental incidents)
- Section 3.2 Manure Management Planning
- Section 4.3 Livestock Manure and Dirty Water Collection and Storage
- Section 4.7 Fuel Oil Storage
- Section 4.8 Livestock Buildings and their Management
- Section 7.3 Waste storage, Recovery and Disposal

The applicant proposes to store manure directly on an enclosed trailer, which is not acceptable. All stored manure should be properly contained and directed into a well designed and constructed store with effluent collection systems, or a temporary field

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heap with minimal risk of run-off or pollution to groundwater.

All new agricultural fuel oil storage facilities must comply with design standards required by the Water Resources (Control of Pollution) (Silage, Slurry and Agricultural Fuel Oil) (England) Regulations 2010 and as Amended 2013 (SSAFO). The SSAFO Regulations set out requirements for the design, construction and maintenance of new, substantially re-constructed or substantially enlarged facilities for storing these substances.

All stores must be at least 10 metres from any water, including field drains or ditches, and be built or altered to last for at least 20 years with proper maintenance.

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

Yours faithfully

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