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United Kingdom

Our ref: EPR/BL9763IN

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Date: 14/11/2016

Dear Sir/ Madam,

**ENVIRONMENTAL PERMITTING (ENGLAND AND WALES) REGULATIONS
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Site: Brockham Oilfield EPR/BL9763IN

I am writing with regard to your application dated 26/09/2016 for a Standard Rules Permit SR2015 No.1 for the management of onshore oil exploration.

You have been issued with a Standard Rules Permit SR2015 No.1. In line with all other permit determinations in the Oil and Gas Sector we will be issuing a media release to accompany our decision. You may wish to ensure that your website is updated to reflect this decision and that you have a suitable communications plan in place for any media or local community interest. We will ensure that you receive a copy of our press release.

This permit does not, in isolation, provide you with all the permissions you need to carry out the drilling operations you have applied to undertake. It is your responsibility to ensure that you have all appropriate permissions in place before work commences.

- You must ensure you have all other relevant permissions that may apply from the appropriate regulating bodies prior to carrying out your operations (e.g. other environmental permissions such as Radioactive Substances Regulations, planning authorities, Oil & Gas Authority, Health & Safety Executive etc.)
- You must ensure you are able to operate within the limitations of the SR2015 No.1. You must ensure you can meet all the conditions of the SR2015 No.1 (including the WMP3) prior to carrying out your operations.

Your application indicated that, following on from the drilling operations you plan to undertake, it is your intention to operate from this new sidetrack well under your existing permit (EPR/BL9763IN). We wish to reiterate that the legalities, safety and environmental implications of this operation has not yet been assessed by us.

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Therefore, at this time, I cannot confirm that this operation will be acceptable. We will be in contact with you to discuss this separately in due course.

We reserve the right to take enforcement action should the activities not be carried out in line with your relevant environmental permissions, if there is a breach of the relevant environmental permissions or, if appropriate, should your activities result in risk of pollution to the environment. Should you wish to change your operations, the Environment Agency should be informed and the activity reassessed for suitability.

Following on from our recent conversations I would also like to take this opportunity to confirm you that your current environmental permit for production at Brockham (EPR/BL9763IN) must be brought up to the standard of a modern permit under our Onshore Oil and Gas re-permitting programme. You will have received notification from the re-permitting team, inviting you to apply to vary your existing permit by the 30th of April 2017. Should you have any concerns or require further information about the re-permitting programme, please contact the Onshore Oil and Gas Re-permitting Team on [REDACTED] or by email at OOGrepermittingteam@environmentagency.gov.uk.

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact your local officer or me directly.

Yours sincerely

Area Environment Manager
Kent, South London and East Sussex Area