

Copeland Borough Council
Development Control
The Copeland Centre Catherine Street
Whitehaven
Cumbria
CA28 7SJ

Our ref: NO/2024/116227/01-L01
Your ref: 4/24/2248/DOC
Date: 05 August 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

**PARTIAL DISCHARGE OF CONDITION 8 IN RELATION TO THE FORMER
CUMBRIA COUNTY COUNCIL PLANNING PERMISSION REFERENCE
4/17/9007/0F2 - DEVELOPMENT OF AN EXISTING SURFACE MINE ENTRANCE
FOR A NEW UNDERGROUND METALLURGICAL COAL MINE AND ASSOCIATED
SURFACE DEVELOPMENT.**

FORMER MARCHON SITE, WHITEHAVEN

Thank you for consulting us on the above discharge of conditions application, received 26th July 2024.

We previously provided comments through our chargeable advice service to the submitted document in support of the partial discharge of condition 8 (Part a), of planning permission reference 4/17/9007/0F2. This can be found in our letter referenced NO/2024/115858/02-L01 and dated 3 July 2024 (Charged advice agreement ENVPAC/1/CLA/00187).

We confirm that we have received and reviewed the following document:-

- Report titled 'Cumbria Metallurgical Coal Project Updated Reptile Translocation and Habitat Creation Method Statement (Main Mine Site)', prepared by BSG Ecology (referenced: P23-711] Updated Reptile Method Statement Main Mine Site; dated: 19/06/2024)

Environment Agency Position

We have no objections to the partial discharge of condition 8, and we would offer the following comments:-

There are no objections for translocation operation of reptiles and provision of new

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fencing and habitat cover. This is based on the understanding that the geosynthetic capping material covering the former Hutbank quarry and landfill is not compromised.

The report submitted with this application for partial discharge of the condition complies with the requirement to protect the cap.

Yours faithfully,

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