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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This is the thirty-fifth monthly Environmental Monitoring and Audit (EM&A) Report for the Drainage Services Department Contract No. DE/2005/03 entitled "Supply and Installation of Electrical and Mechanical Equipment for Expansion of Shek Wu Hui Sewage Treatment Works". This report contains the results of the environmental monitoring for verification of mitigation implementation conducted by the Environmental Team (ET) of the E&M Contractor as required in the contract.

For the environmental monitoring activities, Action and Limit (A/L) Levels are defined levels of impact recorded which represent levels at which a prescribed response is required. Action Limit is an indication of a deteriorating ambient environment for which appropriate remedial actions are likely to be necessary to prevent environmental quality from falling outside the Limit Levels. If these are exceeded, construction works should not be preceded without appropriate remedial action, including critical review of the methods. Baseline monitoring was conducted by the Civil Contractor in December 2005 (Report No. 01284R0012).

The activities in this month consisted of E&M installation of feed pumps & associated pipe work at Filter Press House Extension & underground sludge conditioning tanks (Section 9). The air ductworks for Deodorizers are under fabrication & installation (Section 10). The defects rectification of SAS thickening system in SAS Consolidation House (Section 5) and BR5 unit & associated equipment (Section 6, 7 & 8) was in progress.

Site inspections by an Environmental Team were carried out on 8, 14, 21 and 28 of April 2009 with the representatives of the Engineer. Joint site audit was conducted on 21 April 2009 with the representatives of Engineer, IEC, E&M Contractor and ET.

No deficiency was found during the site inspections in April 2009. Work activities and mitigation measures were in compliance with the environmental protection regulations, contract requirement and environmental permit.

The monthly EM&A meeting was held on 6 April 2009 with all of the parties (DSD, Civil and E&M contractors, ETs, and the IEC) involved.

There was an EPD visit on 15 April 2009 and no abatement notice or prosecution was raised by EPD.

There was no complaint received or notification of summons or successful prosecution in April 2009.

There was no reporting change during the reporting month.

The planned activities for May 2009 - July 2009 as regards E&M equipment are mainly the Installation and Testing & Commissioning (if required) for i) Filter Press at New Press House Extension, ii) Sludge Conditioning Tank Nos.3 & 4, iii) Ferric Chloride Storage Tank at Bunded Area, iv) Deodorizers at Inlet Work & Sludge Holding Tanks, v) Waste Gas Burner; Defects for SAS Thickening System in SAS Consolidation House (Section 5) and BR5 unit & associated equipment (Section 6, 7 & 8) are scheduled to rectify.

1 Introduction

This is the thirty fifth monthly Environmental Monitoring and Audit (EM&A) Report for the Drainage Services Department Contract No. DE/2005/03 entitled “Supply and Installation of Electrical and Mechanical Equipment for Expansion of Shek Wu Hui Sewage Treatment Works”. The report was prepared by the Environmental Team, Kingsford Environmental (H.K.) Ltd., of the E&M Contractor, Biwater Man Lee Limited. This report is submitted to the Client, the Drainage Services Department, and the Independent Environmental Checker, CH2M HILL Hong Kong Limited, for the project. In addition, this report will be submitted to EPD in accordance with the requirement of the environmental permit (EP218-2005) and EM&A manual of the project.

This report only presents the results of the environmental auditing of the project activities regarding the E&M equipment installation conducted in the month of April 2009. The auditing works include regular site inspections for verification of the mitigation measures implementation as recommended in the EM&A Manual and as detailed in the Project Profile for the project.

The contact information for the key personnel is shown in Appendix 1.

The job nature of the E&M contractor is mainly for installation of E&M equipment, all hand-held’s breakers, bulldozer, concrete lorry mixer, dump truck and hand-held’s poker, vibratory would not be frequently used so that the impact from noise and dust would be low. Also, the distance to the nearest sensitive receivers is long. Therefore, the potential environmental impact imposed to the sensitive receivers would be low. Routine environmental monitoring would be considered when deficiency is found or complaint is received.

The sensitive receivers, locations of monitoring and control stations, action and limited levels and event/action plan are shown in Appendix 2.

2 Work Activities during the Month

The activities in this month consisted of E&M installation of feed pumps & associated pipe work at Filter Press House Extension & underground sludge conditioning tanks (Section 9). The air ductworks for Deodorizers are under fabrication & installation (Section 10). The defects rectification of SAS thickening system in SAS Consolidation House (Section 5) and BR5 unit & associated equipment (Section 6, 7 & 8) was in progress.

The activities and dates of occurrence of each activity are summarized below in Table 1. The Construction Program is shown in Appendix 3.

Table 1: Work Activities for April 2009

<i>SAS Consolidation House</i>	
Defects rectification of SAS thickening system	7 May 08 – 6 May 09*
<i>Air Blower House No.2</i>	
Installation of E&M equipment	1 Apr 08 – 3 Nov 08*
Testing and commissioning of Air Blowers	4 Nov 08 – 28 Nov 08*
Defects rectification of Air Blowers	29 Nov 08 – 29 Nov 09*
<i>Bioreactor No.5</i>	
Installation of E&M equipment	18 Mar 08 – 30 Oct 08*
Testing and commissioning	1 Nov 08 – 23 Feb 09*
Defects rectification of Bioreactor No.5	24 Feb 09 – 23 Feb 10*
<i>Flow Division Pump Pit No.1 (FD1)</i>	
Installation of E&M equipment	18 Mar 08 – 30 Oct 08*
Testing and commissioning	1 Nov 08 – 23 Feb 09*
Defects rectification of FD1	24 Feb 09 – 23 Feb 10*
<i>Flow Division Pump Pit No.2 (FD2)</i>	
Installation of E&M equipment	8 Sept 08 – 15 Nov 08*
Testing and commissioning	16 Nov 08 – 23 Feb 09*
Defects rectification of FD2	24 Feb 09 – 23 Feb 10*

<i>Switch Room for RAS/SAS Pumping Station No. 2</i>	
Installation of E&M equipment	11 Apr 08 – 15 Nov 08*
Testing and commissioning	8 Nov 08 – 23 Feb 09*
Defects rectification of Switchroom	24 Feb 09 – 23 Feb 10*
<i>RAS/SAS Pumping Station No.2</i>	
Installation of E&M equipment	28 Apr 08 – 15 Nov 08*
Testing and commissioning	16 Nov 08 – 23 Feb 09*
Defects rectification of RAS/SAS P/S	24 Feb 09 – 23 Feb 10*
<i>Final Sedimentation Tank (FST) Nos. 9 & 10</i>	
Installation of E&M equipment	11 Apr 08 – 14 Dec 08*
Testing and commissioning	15 Dec 08 – 23 Feb 09*
Defects rectification of FST No.9 & 10	24 Feb 09 – 23 Feb 10*
<i>Sludge Press House Extension</i>	
Installation of E&M equipment	18 July 08 – 17 May 09*
<i>Deodourizers & Waste Gas Burner</i>	
Installation of E&M equipment	18 July 08 – 17 July 09*

* *Scheduled dates only for completion of the activities*

3 Status of Environmental Protection

Air Quality

Appropriate mitigation measures for the activities are in place. Plastic covers with stakes/weights are readily available and used for covering of exposed material for control of dust. Water spray is available for dust suppression, if necessary.

Water Quality

The plastic covers for exposed soil, etc. are available for minimization of silt in the run-off water during rainstorms, if necessary. Sandbags will be provided for preventing surface run-off discharging directly into public drain area. Note that wastewater generated from the off-site project office was collected in a storage tank and tanker-away regularly by a licensed collector.

Anti-mosquito preventive measures, e.g. regular removal of stagnant water (if possible) and/or spraying larvicide (if necessary) at any site area, are taken for mosquito control and prevention, particularly for control of Dengue Fever and Japanese Encephalitis diseases.

Noise

Plants with low noise emittance are preferred and are operated / maintained to reduce noise. In this reporting month, work was carried out during normal working hours (7am – 7pm Monday to Saturday) or otherwise specified in the contract. In the event of a schedule change such that construction work would be performed during the restricted hours (11pm – 7am and during general public holidays including Sundays), a Construction Noise Permit would be required.

Waste / Chemical Management

The construction waste materials are preferred to be removed promptly from the site. Recyclable hard inert C&D materials should be taken to a public filling area (Tuen Mun Area 38) whereas the non-inert C&D waste should be disposed of to WENT landfill at Nim Wan or other disposal site approved by the control authority. Note that the inert C&D materials should be reduced, reused and recycled if possible, before disposal. Any substance identified as chemical waste would be disposed of properly by a licensed collector. A trip ticket system for the disposal of C&D waste should be conducted as required by the Waste Management Plan. Rubbish bins are provided on-site for collecting general refuses as necessary. The general refuse would be removed regularly and disposed to landfills by a licensed collector. A proper record of each waste disposal, including the new bar-coded disposal delivery form, would be kept to verify proper handling and disposal.

The status of permits and licenses is summarized in Table 2 and shown in Appendix 9.

Table 2: Status of Permits and Licenses

Description	Permit No.	Valid Period		Ref.	Status
		From	To		
Environmental Permit	EP-218/2005	16/06/05	End of Project	PS1.39*	Granted
Register as Chemical Waste Producer	WPN 5517-624-B1 039-02	14/06/07	End of Project	Waste Disposal (Chemical Waste) (General) Regulation (Cap. 354)	Granted

* Particular Specification of Contract No. DE/2005/03

The implementation status of mitigation measures from EM&A Manual is attached in Appendix 4.

4 Site Inspections

Site inspections by an Environmental Team were carried out on 8, 14, 21 and 28 of April 2009 with the representatives of the Engineer. Joint site audit was conducted on 21 April 2009 with the representatives of Engineer, IEC, E&M Contractor and ET.

The inspected site locations were marked on a site layout plan and the location code was recorded on the checklist. The site layout plan is shown in Appendix 5.

The activities in this month consisted of E&M installation of feed pumps & associated pipework at Filter Press House Extension & underground sludge conditioning tanks (Section 9). The air ductworks for Deodorizers are under fabrication & installation (Section 10). The defects rectification of SAS thickening system in SAS Consolidation House (Section 5) and BR5 unit & associated equipment (Section 6, 7 & 8) was in progress.

No deficiency was found during this month. Inspection checklists are annexed in Appendix 5. Whereas all of the environmental aspects were inspected in the work areas, the most applicable descriptions are addressed below.

Air Quality

No dusty material was found from the site areas or activities this month.

Water Quality

No surface run-off was observed during the site inspections this month. Note that the regular inspections and preventive measures for the mosquitoes are being conducted and recorded at least weekly by the Contractor.

Noise

During this month, the work activities and equipment used did not generate significant noise. In this reporting month, no work was carried out during general public holidays including Sundays.

Waste / Chemical Management

Refuse bins and waste storage/sorting area were provided for the collection of general refuse and sorting the C&D materials.

Packaging waste or construction waste was disposed to the WENT landfill by the licensed waste collector on 7 April 2009.

The type and quantity of waste for final disposal during April 2009 is shown in Table 3. Note that a record of each disposal is being kept.

Table 3: Type and Quantity of Waste Disposed of in April 2009

Types of Waste	Quantity
Inert C&D Material	Nil
Non-inert C&D Waste	1.3 tons
Chemical Waste	Nil
General Refuse*	1.32 m ³

* Included the site office

5 Summary of Deficiencies and Remedial Actions

There was no deficiency noted from the site inspections in April 2009.

6 Summary of Complaints and Remedial Actions

There was an EPD visit on 15 April 2009 and no abatement notice nor prosecution was raised by EPD.

No Complaint was received in April 2009. In the event of complaints, the procedure for handling of the complaints is detailed in the EM&A Manual.

7 Summary of Summons and Prosecutions

No notification of summons and prosecutions occurred in April 2009.

8 Monthly Environmental Auditing for the Coming Months

The planned activities for May 2009 - July 2009 as regards E&M equipment are mainly the Installation and Testing & Commissioning (if required) for i) Filter Press at New Press House Extension, ii) Sludge Conditioning Tank Nos.3 & 4, iii) Ferric Chloride Storage Tank at Bunded Area, iv) Deodourizers at Inlet Work & Sludge Holding Tanks, v) Waste Gas Burner;

Defects for SAS Thickening System in SAS Consolidation House (Section 5) and BR5 unit & associated equipment (Section 6, 7 & 8) are scheduled to rectify.

The planned activities for the coming three months (May 2009 – July 2009) as regards E&M equipment are to carry out installation, testing and commissioning for the following system/area:-

- Sludge Press House Extension
- Sludge Conditioning Tank Nos. 3 and 4
- Bunded Area for Ferric Chloride Storage Tank.
- Deodourizers at Inlet Work & Sludge Holding Tanks
- Waste Gas Burner

The anticipated environmental issues for May 2009 – July 2009 will be as follows:-

- Sludge Press House Extension
 - The anticipated environmental issues will be related to:-
 - the waste disposal from the E&M equipment installation.

- Sludge Conditioning Tank Nos. 3 and 4
 - The anticipated environmental issues will be related to:-
 - the waste disposal from the E&M equipment installation.
- Bunded Area for Ferric Chloride Storage Tank
 - The anticipated environmental issues will be related to:-
 - waste disposal from the E&M equipment installation.
- Deodourizers at Inlet Work & Sludge Holding Tanks
 - The anticipated environmental issues will be related to:-
 - waste disposal from the E&M equipment installation.
- Waste Gas Burner
 - The anticipated environmental issues will be related to:-
 - waste disposal from the E&M equipment installation.

9 Conclusions and Comments

The required weekly site inspections have been conducted. No deficiency was noted during the reporting month.