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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

#### Introduction

1. This is the 24<sup>th</sup> monthly Environmental Monitoring and Audit (EM&A) Report prepared by Cinotech Consultants Limited for Development of a Biodiesel Plant at Tseung Kwan O Industrial Estate in operational phase. This report documents the findings of EM&A works carried out in March 2018.

#### **Environmental Licenses and Permits**

- 2. Licenses/Permits granted to the Project include the followings:
  - Environmental Permit, EP-319/2009/D, granted on 28 January 2014;
  - Specified Process Licence, L-25-019(1), granted on 10 October 2013 &
  - Water Pollution Control Ordinance Licence, WT00029932-2017, granted on 22 December 2017.

#### **Environmental Monitoring and Audit Works**

- 3. Environmental monitoring and audit works for the Project were carried out in accordance with the criteria and requirements listed in the EM&A Manual, Environmental Permit, Specified Process Licence and Water Pollution Control Ordinance (WPCO) Licence granted. Monitoring results were checked and reviewed.
- 4. As there was limited biogas production in March 2018, emission from stack of biogas flare cannot be sampled. Therefore, monitoring on emission from the stack was suspended in March 2018, and will be resumed in April 2018.

#### Key Information in the Reporting Month

5. Summary of key information in this reporting month (March 2018) is listed in **Table I**.

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| Event   | Event Details |  | Action Taken  | Status             | Remark   |
|---|---------------|--|---|--------------------|--|
| Lvent   | Number        | Nature   | ACTION TAKEN  | Status             | Kellial K  |
| Exceedance of<br>Action & Limit<br>Levels   | 1             | Methanol emission<br>from Stack of<br>Process Building | Event was<br>investigated, and<br>recommendation<br>was proposed to<br>the Operator | N/A                |  |
| Complaint received  | 0             |  | N/A   | N/A                | Follow-up<br>works for 9<br>complaints<br>are still on-<br>going |
| Changes to the<br>assumptions and<br>key construction /<br>operation activities<br>recorded | 0             |  | N/A   | N/A                |  |
| Status of<br>submissions under<br>EP  | 1             | Monthly EM&A<br>Report (Feb 2018)<br>v1.0              | Submitted to<br>EPD on 8 March<br>2018  | Verified by<br>IEC |  |
| Notifications of any<br>summons &<br>prosecutions   | 0             |  | N/A   | N/A                |  |

#### Table ISummary of Key Information in March 2018

#### 1 INTRODUCTION

#### Background

- 1.1 Development of a Biodiesel Plant at Tseung Kwan O Industrial Estate (hereafter referred to as "the Project") is to construct and operate a 100,000 tonnes per annum biodiesel plant at Tseung Kwan O Industrial Estate (see **Figure 1.1** for the location plan of Project Site). The plant will use a multi-feedstock which consists of used cooking oil (UCO), oil and grease recovered from grease trap waste (GTW), palm fatty acid distillate (PFAD) and animal fats. The proposed biodiesel plant offers a convenient recycling outlet for GTW and UCO, and converts oil and grease recovered from these wastes into useful products. The Project also offers a more environmental-friendly alternative to the diesel fuel market in Hong Kong.
  - 1.2 This Project is a Designated Project under the Environmental Impact Assessment Ordinance (Cap. 499). An environmental impact assessment (EIA) was undertaken to identify and evaluate the impact on environment (e.g. air quality, noise, water quality and ecology), and propose possible measures to mitigate the impact. The EIA Report was approved by the Environmental Protection Department (EPD) on 26 February 2009.
  - 1.3 Environmental Permit (EP) No. EP-319/2009 was issued on 11 March 2009 to ASB Biodiesel (Hong Kong) Limited as the Permit Holder. After several rounds of amendments, the latest version is EP No. EP-319/2009/D, which was issued on 28 January 2014.
  - 1.4 Construction of the Biodiesel Plant has been completed since October 2013. After more than 2 years of commissioning trial, the Plant started to operate in April 2016. Cinotech Consultants Limited was commissioned by ASB Biodiesel (Hong Kong) Limited to undertake the Environmental Monitoring and Audit (EM&A) works for the Project. This is the 24<sup>th</sup> Monthly EM&A report summarizing the EM&A works in operational phase for the Project in March 2018.

#### **Project Organizations**

- 1.5 Different parties with different levels of involvement in the project organization include:
  - Project Proponent & Operator –
- ASB Biodiesel (Hong Kong) Limited
- Independent Environmental Checker (IEC) Mannings (Asia) Consultants Ltd.
- Environmental Team (ET) Cinotech Consultants Limited
- 1.6 The responsibilities of respective parties are detailed in Section 2 of the Final EM&A Manual of the Project.
- 1.7 The key contacts of the Project are shown in **Table 1-1**.

| Party                             | Role                  | Name            | Position  | Phone No. |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|---|-----------|
| ASB Permit Holder &<br>Operator   |                       | Mr. Andy Chan   | EHS & Licensing Manager                           | 3183 4202 |
|                                   |                       | Mr. Nelson Tam  | Engineer  | 3183 4315 |
|                                   | Independent           | Mr. Mark Cheung | Independent Environmental<br>Checker              | 3168 2028 |
| Mannings Environmental<br>Checker |                       | Mr. Gavin Kwok  | Assistant to Independent<br>Environmental Checker | 3970 8628 |
| Cinotech                          | Environmental<br>Team | Dr. HF Chan     | ET Leader   | 2151 2088 |
|                                   |                       | Mr. HT Lai      | Project Coordinator                               | 2151 2077 |

Table 1-1Key Project Contacts

#### Summary of EM&A Requirements

- 1.8 EM&A requirements for the Project include:
  - Monitoring requirements as listed in the Project EM&A Manual;
  - Conditions listed in the Environmental Permit;
  - Monitoring requirements as listed in the Specified Process (SP) Licence granted; &
  - Monitoring requirements as listed in the Water Pollution Control Ordinance (WPCO) Licence granted

### 2 STATUS OF ENVIRONMENTAL LICENSING AND PERMITTING

2.1 All permits/licenses obtained for the Project are summarized in Table 2-1.

| Table 2-1 | Summary of Environmental Licensing and Permit Status     |
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|                        | Valid         | Period       | 0   | <u><u> </u></u>  |
|------------------------|---------------|--------------|---|------------------|
| Permit / License No.   | From          | To Summary   |   | Status           |
| Environmental Permi    | it (EP)       |              |   |                  |
| EP-319/2009/D          | 28/01/2014    | N/A          | <ul> <li>Operation of</li> <li>a biochemical plant with a storage capacity of more than 500 tonnes and in which substances are processed and produced;</li> <li>a storage, transfer and transhipment of oil facility with a storage capacity of not less than 1,000 tonnes; and</li> <li>a dangerous goods godown with a storage capacity exceeding 500 tonnes</li> </ul> | Valid            |
| Specified Process (SP) | ) Licence     |              |   |                  |
| L-25-019(1)            | 10/10/2013    | 10/10/2015   | • Emission of non-fugitive fixed point emissions  | Under<br>renewal |
| Water Pollution Cont   | rol Ordinance | (WPCO) Licen | ce  |                  |
| WT00029932-2017        | 22/12/2017    | 31/12/2019   | <ul> <li>19 Discharge of</li> <li>• effluent from wastewater treatment facilities to communal foul sewer; and</li> <li>• effluent from floor washing of operation areas to communal storm drain</li> </ul>  |                  |
| WT00022972-2015        | 16/12/2015    | 31/12/2017   |   |                  |

#### **3** ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

#### Air Quality

- 3.1 According to Section 4.3 of the Final EM&A Manual of the Project, the emission from stacks of boiler, biogas flare and process building, and odour concentrations at the final air scrubber shall be monitored. Odour patrols along the Project Site boundary is also required.
- 3.2 Monitoring criteria (i.e. frequency, parameter, and action & limit levels) for the emission of the boiler stack, biogas flare and process building are listed in **Table 3-1**, while criteria for odour concentrations at the final air scrubber and odour patrols along the Project Site boundary are listed in **Table 3-2**.

| Stack  | Frequency *   | Parameter                               | Limit Levels**     |  |
|--|---|---|--------------------|--|
|  |   | Nitrogen oxides (NO <sub>X</sub> )      | 2.213 kg/h         |  |
|  |   | Carbon monoxide (CO)                    | 0.553 kg/h         |  |
| Boiler   |   | Sulphur dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> )      | 0.797 kg/h         |  |
| (EP2)  | Monthly for the first 12                              | Non-methane Organic<br>Compounds (NMOC) | 0.041 kg/h         |  |
|  | months of operation. If the monitoring results of the | Exhaust gas velocity                    | 7 m/s (minimum)    |  |
|  | first year monitoring meet                            | NO <sub>X</sub>                         | 0.053 kg/h         |  |
| Biogas   | he limit level, the nonitoring will be reduced        | СО                                      | 0.018 kg/h         |  |
| Flare  | to half-yearly intervals for                          | $SO_2$                                  | 0.039 kg/h         |  |
| (EP1)  | the whole operational stage.                          | NMOC                                    | 0.0018 kg/h        |  |
|  |   | Exhaust gas velocity                    | 0.54 m/s (minimum) |  |
| Process  |   | Acetyldehyde                            | 0.0975 kg/h        |  |
| Building   |   | Methanol                                | 0.0975 kg/h        |  |
| (EP3)  |   | Exhaust gas velocity                    | 0.79 m/s (minimum) |  |
| <ul> <li>Monitoring will not be carried out during raining days</li> <li>** No action level is set in the Final EM&amp;A Manual of the Project and in the Specified Process Licence</li> </ul> |   |   |                    |  |

# Table 3-1Monitoring Criteria for the Emission from Stacks of Boiler, BiogasFlare and Process Building

| Table 3-2 | Monitoring Criteria for the Odour Concentrations at the Final Air |
|-----------|---|
|           | Scrubber and Odour Patrols along the Project Site Boundary        |

|  | Frequency  | Parameter                    | Action Levels   | Limit Levels   |
|--|--|------------------------------|---|--|
| Odour  |  | Odour                        |   | 200.3 OU/s   |
| Concentrations<br>at the Final Air<br>Scrubber (EP5)   | Monthly for the first 2 years of operation *   | Exhaust gas<br>velocity      | _ **  | 0.7 m/s (minimum)  |
| Odour Patrols<br>along the<br>Project Site<br>Boundary | <ul> <li>Two times a day, one in the morning and one in the afternoon</li> <li>Monthly for the first 12 months of operation. If the monitoring results of the first year monitoring meet the limit level, the monitoring frequency will be reduced to quarterly intervals in the second year;</li> <li>If the action level is triggered during the second year of operation, the frequency will be resumed to monthly intervals until compliance with the action level for three consecutive months is obtained;</li> <li>If the action level is not triggered for four consecutive quarterly monitoring, the monitoring can be terminated.</li> </ul> | Odour Intensity              | <ul> <li>Odour<br/>intensity ≥<br/>Class 2<br/>recorded; or</li> <li>One<br/>documented<br/>complaint<br/>received</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Odour intensity<br/>≥Class 3 recorded<br/>on 2 consecutive<br/>patrols</li> </ul> |
| -  | t be carried out during raining days<br>s set in the Final EM&A Manual of the Project :  | and in the Specified Process | Licence   |  |

3.3 If action / limit levels are exceeded, the following actions should be taken by the ET:

- Inform Project Proponent and IEC, and investigate and record the cause of exceedance within 24 hours;
- Repeat measurement to confirm findings; and
- Implement the event and action plan as shown in Table 3-3.

| Event  | Actions   |   |   |  |  |
|--|---|---|---|--|--|
| Event  | ET Leader   | IEC   | Project Proponent   |  |  |
| Exceedance of<br>Limit Level for<br>stack emission<br>from boiler,<br>biogas flare,<br>process building<br>and final air<br>scrubber | <ul> <li>Repeat measurement to confirm finding</li> <li>Identify source(s) and investigate the cause(s) of exceedance</li> <li>Inform Project Proponent whether the cause of exceedance is due to the Project</li> <li>Prepare the Notification of Exceedance within 24 hours</li> <li>Discuss remedial actions with the Project Proponent</li> <li>Assess the effectiveness of Project Proponent's remedial actions</li> <li>For the monitoring of emissions from the stacks of the boiler, biogas flare and process building, increase the monitoring frequency from half-yearly (for the second year onward) to monthly intervals. If results of three consecutive monthly monitoring show no exceedance of the limit level, the monitoring frequency will be reverted back to half-yearly intervals.</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Verify the Notification of Exceedance submitted by the ET Leader</li> <li>Check with the Project Proponent on the operating activities and implementation of control measures</li> <li>Discuss with ET Leader and Project Proponent on the possible remedial actions</li> <li>Advise the Project Proponent on the proposed remedial measures</li> <li>Supervise implementation of remedial measures</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Rectify any unacceptable practice</li> <li>Amend working methods as required</li> <li>Implement amended working methods, if necessary</li> </ul> |  |  |
| Exceedance of<br>Action Level for<br>odour   | <ul> <li>Identify source(s) / reason of exceedance or complain</li> <li>Prepare the odour complain form or the Notification of Exceedance within 24 hours</li> <li>Inform Project Proponent whether the cause of exceedance is due to the Project</li> <li>Discuss remedial actions with the Project Proponent</li> <li>During the second year of operation, if the action level is triggered, the frequency will be resumed to monthly until compliance with the action level for three consecutive months is obtained and the frequency will be reduced to quarterly intervals thereafter.</li> </ul>   | • Verify the Notification of<br>Exceedance submitted by the<br>ET Leader  | <ul> <li>Rectify any unacceptable practice</li> <li>Amend working methods as required</li> <li>Implement amended working methods, if necessary</li> </ul> |  |  |

 Table 3-3
 Event and Action Plan for Air Quality Monitoring

| Event                                     | Actions  |   |  |  |
|---|--|---|--|--|
| Event                                     | ET Leader  | IEC   | <b>Project Proponent</b>   |  |
| Exceedance of<br>Limit Level for<br>odour | <ul> <li>Identify source(s) / reason of exceedance or complain</li> <li>Prepare the odour complain form or the Notification of Exceedance within 24 hours</li> <li>Inform Project Proponent whether the cause of exceedance is due to the Project</li> <li>Assess the effectiveness of Project Proponent's remedial actions or amended design</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Exceedance submitted by the ET Leader</li> <li>Check with the Project Proponent on the operating activities and implementation of control measures</li> <li>Discuss with ET Leader and Project Proponent on the</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>practice</li> <li>Propose and implement remedial measures or amend design as required within 3</li> </ul> |  |

#### Water Quality

- 3.4 According to Section 6.3 of the Final EM&A Manual of the Project, the water quality of treated effluent discharged from Project Site and stormwater discharge shall be monitored.
- 3.5 Monitoring criteria (i.e. frequency, parameter, and limit levels) for the water quality of treated effluent discharged from Project Site and stormwater discharge are listed in **Table 3-4**.

| Discharge                               | Frequency           | Parameter                                       | Limit Levels*              |
|---|---------------------|---|----------------------------|
|   |                     | pH  | Within the range of 6 - 10 |
|   |                     | Suspended Solids                                | 800 mg/L                   |
|   |                     | Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) (5 days, 20 °C) | 800 mg/L                   |
| Treated Effluent                        | M dl                | Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)                    | 2000 mg/L                  |
| Discharged from Monthly<br>Project Site | Oil & Grease        | 50 mg/L   |                            |
|   |                     | Sulphate  | 1000 mg/L                  |
|   |                     | Total Nitrogen                                  | 200 mg/L                   |
|   |                     | Total Phosphorus                                | 50 mg/L                    |
|   |                     | pH  | Within the range of $6-9$  |
|   |                     | Suspended Solids                                | 50 mg/L                    |
| Stormwater<br>Discharge                 | Quarterly           | Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) (5 days, 20 °C) | 50 mg/L                    |
|   |                     | Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)                    | 100 mg/L                   |
|   |                     | Oil & Grease                                    | 30 mg/L                    |
| * No action level was                   | set in the WPCO Lie |   |                            |

# Table 3-4Monitoring Criteria for the Water Quality of Treated EffluentDischarged from Project Site and Stormwater Discharge

- 3.6 If limit levels are exceeded, the following actions should be taken by the ET:
  - Inform Project Proponent and IEC, and investigate and record the cause of exceedance within 24 hours;
  - Repeat measurement to confirm findings; and
  - Implement the event and action plan as shown in Table 3-5.

|  | Table 3-5 | <b>Event and Action</b> | Plan for Water | <b>Quality Monitoring</b> |
|--|-----------|-------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|
|--|-----------|-------------------------|----------------|---------------------------|

| Enort   | Actions   |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| Event ET Leader   |   | IEC  | Project Proponent  |
| Exceedance of<br>Limit Level for<br>Treated Effluent<br>Discharged from<br>Project Site | <ul> <li>Identify source(s) and investigate the cause(s) of exceedance</li> <li>Repeat measurement to confirm finding</li> <li>Prepare the Notification of Exceedance within 24 hours</li> <li>Discuss remedial actions with the Project Proponent</li> <li>Assess the effectiveness of Project Proponent's remedial actions</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Verify the Notification of Exceedance submitted by the ET Leader</li> <li>Check with Contractor on the operating activities and implementation of landfill gas control measures</li> <li>Discuss with ET Leader and Contractor on the possible remedial actions</li> <li>Advise the IC on the effectiveness of the proposed remedial measures</li> <li>Supervise implementation of remedial measures</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Check the performance of the on-site WWTP</li> <li>Rectify any unacceptable performance</li> <li>Carry out remedial measures or amend design as required</li> <li>Implement amended design, if necessary</li> </ul>                               |
| Exceedance of<br>Limit Level for<br>Stormwater<br>Discharged from<br>the Project Site   | <ul> <li>Identify source(s) and investigate the cause(s) of exceedance</li> <li>Repeat measurement to confirm finding</li> <li>Prepare the Notification of Exceedance within 24 hours</li> <li>Discuss remedial actions with the Project Proponent</li> <li>Assess the effectiveness of Project Proponent's remedial actions</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Verify the Notification of Exceedance submitted by the ET Leader</li> <li>Check with Project Proponent on the operating activities</li> <li>Discuss with ET Leader and Project Proponent on the possible remedial actions</li> <li>Advise the Project Proponent on the effectiveness of the proposed remedial measures</li> <li>Supervise implementation of remedial measures</li> </ul>                        | <ul> <li>Propose and implement<br/>remedial measures or amend<br/>design as required</li> <li>Rectify any unacceptable<br/>practice</li> <li>Amend working methods as<br/>required</li> <li>Implement amended working<br/>methods, if necessary</li> </ul> |

#### Sulphur Content in Bio Heating Oil

- 3.7 According to Section 3.11 of the EP-319/2009/D, if Bio Heating Oil (BHO) is used on site, the sulphur content in BHO shall be monitored.
- 3.8 Monitoring criteria (i.e. frequency, parameter, and limit level) for the sulphur content in BHO are listed in **Table 3-6**.

| Table 3-6 | Monitoring Criteria for Sulphur Content in Bio Heating Oil |
|-----------|--|
|-----------|--|

| Frequency   | Parameter       | Limit Level* |
|---|-----------------|--------------|
| <ul> <li>Every tank load of the BHO for the BHO's sulphur content when the fuel tank(s) is being filled/refilled</li> <li>This original frequency shall be adopted in the first three months of using BHO on site. After the first three months of the original monitoring regime, if all monitoring result in the first three months meet the limit level, the frequency may be reduced to one test for every two refills for the next three months; and after the first six months, the monitoring may be conducted once a month.</li> <li>If exceedance occur, the monitoring shall be reverted to the original frequency of a test for every tank load of BHO, or at such a monitoring frequency to be advised and agreed by the EPD's Director.</li> </ul> | Sulphur Content | 346 ppm      |
| * No action level was set in the EP of the Project  |                 |              |

3.9 If limit level is exceeded, the following actions should be taken by the ET:

- Inform Project Proponent and IEC within 24 hours;
- Repeat measurement to confirm findings;
- Inform Project Proponent to increase the use of low sulphur diesel in the fuel tank(s) to achieve a fuel mixture with sulphur content of less than 346 ppm; and
- Revert the monitoring programme to the original frequency of a test for every tank load of BHO, or at such a monitoring frequency to be advised and agreed by the EPD's Director.

#### 4 MONITORING METHODOLOGY

#### Air Quality

Emission from Stack of Boiler

4.1 Emission from the stack of boiler was sampled and analyzed. Methods adopted for analysis are listed in **Table 4-1**. In addition to parameters listed in **Table 4-1**, exhaust gas velocity was measured.

| Table 4-1 | Methodologies for Monitoring of Emission from Stack of Boiler |
|-----------|---|
|           | <i>a a</i>  |

| Parameter                               | Methodology        |
|---|--------------------|
| Nitrogen oxides (NOx)                   | USEPA Method 7C    |
| Carbon monoxide (CO)                    | USEPA Method 10B   |
| Sulphur dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> )      | USEPA Method 6     |
| Non-methane organic compounds<br>(NMOC) | USEPA Method TO-12 |

#### Emission from Stack of Biogas Flare

4.2 As there was limited biogas production in March 2018, emission from stack of biogas flare cannot be sampled. Therefore, monitoring on emission form the stack was suspended in March 2018, and will be resumed in April 2018.

#### Emission from Stack of Process Building

4.3 Emission from the stack of process building was sampled and analyzed. Methods adopted for analysis are listed in Table 4-2. In addition to parameters listed in Table 4-2, exhaust gas velocity was measured.

# Table 4-2Methodology for Monitoring of Emission from Stack of Process<br/>Building

| Parameter    | Methodology         |
|--------------|---------------------|
| Acetaldehyde | USEPA Method TO-11A |
| Methanol     | USEPA Method TO-14A |

Odour Concentrations at the Final Air Scrubber

4.4 Gas in the final air scrubber was sampled and analyzed. Method adopted for analysis is listed in **Table 4-3**. In addition to parameter listed in **Table 4-3**, exhaust gas velocity was measured. Detailed methodology for odour monitoring in the final air scrubber is presented in **Appendix D**.

# Table 4-3Methodology for Monitoring of Odour Concentrations at the Final Air<br/>Scrubber

| Parameter           | Methodology                        |
|---------------------|------------------------------------|
| Odour concentration | European Standard Method (EN13725) |

#### Odour Patrols along Site Boundary

4.5 Odour patrols were carried out by a qualified odour panelist in both morning and afternoon on 9 March 2018. During odour patrol, the panelist identified the odour nature and determined the odour intensity, which is expressed using an odour intensity scale, at all 5 selected locations. Weather conditions including prevailing weather, wind direction and wind speed were also recorded. Detailed methodology for odour patrol is presented in **Appendix E**.

#### Water Quality

Water Quality of Treated Effluent Discharged from Project Site

4.6 Treated effluent discharged from Project Site was sampled and analyzed. Methodologies for water quality monitoring followed either American Public Health Association's (APHA's) "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water & Wastewater" or Hach Method, which are listed in **Table 4-4**. In addition to the parameters listed in **Table 4-4**, pH was measured.

| Parameter  | Methodology       |
|--|-------------------|
| Suspended Solids (S.S.)                            | APHA 2540D        |
| Biochemical Oxygen Demand<br>(BOD) (5 days, 20 °C) | APHA 5210B        |
| Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)                       | Hach Method 8000  |
| Oil & Grease                                       | APHA 5520B        |
| Sulphate   | Hach Method 10248 |

# Table 4-4Methodologies for Water Quality Monitoring of Treated Effluent<br/>Discharged from Project Site

| Parameter        | Methodology       |
|------------------|-------------------|
| Total Nitrogen   | Hach Method 10071 |
| Total Phosphorus | Hach Method 8190  |

#### Water Quality of Stormwater Discharge

4.7 Water quality of stormwater discharge from Project Site was sampled and analyzed. Methodologies for water quality monitoring followed either American Public Health Association's (APHA's) "Standard Methods for the Examination of Water & Wastewater" or Hach Method, which are listed in **Table 4-5**. In addition to the parameters listed in **Table 4-5**, pH was measured.

 Table 4-5
 Methodologies for Water Quality Monitoring of Stormwater Discharge

| Parameter  | Methodology      |
|--|------------------|
| Suspended Solids (S.S.)                            | APHA 2540D       |
| Biochemical Oxygen Demand<br>(BOD) (5 days, 20 °C) | APHA 5210B       |
| Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)                       | Hach Method 8000 |
| Oil & Grease                                       | APHA 5520B       |

#### Sulphur Content in Bio Heating Oil

4.8 In March 2018, BHO in the tank was sampled once. Its sulphur content was then analyzed in accordance with EN-ISO-20846:2011: Determination of sulpfur content of automotive fuels – Ultraviolet fluorescence method.

#### 5 MONITORING RESULTS

#### Air Quality

Emission from Stack of Boiler

5.1 The monitoring result of the emission from the stack of boiler is presented in **Table 5-1**. No exceedance of Limit Level was reported. Detailed monitoring result of the emission from the stack of boiler is presented in **Appendix A**.

| Table 5-1 | Monitoring Result of the Emission from the Stack of Boiler |
|-----------|--|
|-----------|--|

| Parameter                                   | Limit Level     | Monitoring Result* |  |  |
|---|-----------------|--------------------|--|--|
| Nitrogen oxides (NO <sub>X</sub> )          | 2.213 kg/h      | 1.2 kg/h           |  |  |
| Carbon monoxide (CO)                        | 0.553 kg/h      | < 0.2 kg/h         |  |  |
| Sulphur dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> )          | 0.797 kg/h      | < 0.03 kg/h        |  |  |
| Non-methane Organic Compounds<br>(NMOC)     | 0.041 kg/h      | 0.0205 kg/h        |  |  |
| Exhaust gas velocity                        | 7 m/s (minimum) | 12.625 m/s         |  |  |
| * Average result of all trials is presented |                 |                    |  |  |

#### Emission from Stack of Biogas Flare

5.2 Emission from stack of boiler was not monitored in March 2018 (see Section 4.2 for details).

#### Emission from Stack of Process Building

- 5.3 The monitoring result of the emission from the stack of process building is presented in **Table 5-2**. Detailed monitoring result of the emission from the stack of process building is presented in **Appendix C**.
- 5.4 One exceedance of Limit Level was reported. The exceedance is found due to part aging. Details of the investigation are presented in **Appendix J**.

 Table 5-2
 Monitoring Result of the Emission from the Stack of Process Building

| Parameter   | Limit Level                                 | Monitoring Result* |  |  |
|---|---|--------------------|--|--|
| Acetyldehyde  | 0.0975 kg/h                                 | <0.001 kg/h        |  |  |
| Methanol  | 0.0975 kg/h                                 | 0.125 kg/h **      |  |  |
| Exhaust gas velocity  | 0.79 m/s (minimum)                          | 3.85 m/s           |  |  |
| * Average result of all trials is presented<br>** Exceedance of Limit Level | * Average result of all trials is presented |                    |  |  |

Odour Concentrations at the Final Air Scrubber

5.5 The monitoring result of the odour concentrations at the final air scrubber is presented in Table 5-3. No exceedance of Limit Level was reported. Detailed monitoring result of the odour concentrations at the final air scrubber is presented in Appendix D.

| Table 5-3 | Monitoring | Result | of | the | Odour | Concentrations | at | the | Final | Air |
|-----------|------------|--------|----|-----|-------|----------------|----|-----|-------|-----|
|           | Scrubber   |        |    |     |       |                |    |     |       |     |

| Parameter                                   | Limit Level       | Monitoring Result* |  |  |  |
|---|-------------------|--------------------|--|--|--|
| Odour                                       | 200.3 OU/s        | 16.9 OU/s          |  |  |  |
| Exhaust gas velocity                        | 0.7 m/s (minimum) | 0.7 m/s            |  |  |  |
| * Average result of all trials is presented |                   |                    |  |  |  |

#### Odour Patrols along Site Boundary

5.6 The monitoring result of the odour patrol is presented in **Table 5-4**. No exceedance of Action and Limit Levels was reported. Detailed monitoring result of odour patrols along site boundary is presented in **Appendix E**.

 Table 5-4
 Monitoring Result of Odour Patrols along Site Boundary

| Patrol    | Location | Odour Intensity   |                                |                                       |                    |
|-----------|----------|---|--------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Time      | Location | Action Level  | Limit Level                    | Measured Level (Odour Nature)         |                    |
|           | 1        |   |                                | 0~1 (Oil and grease)                  |                    |
|           | 2        |   |                                | 1 (Oil and grease)                    |                    |
| Morning   | 3        | Odour   | usity Odour<br>uss 2 intensity | 0~1 (Oil and grease)                  |                    |
|           | 4        | intensity<br>≥Class 2<br>recorded; or<br>One<br>documented<br>complaint |                                | 0                                     |                    |
|           | 5        |   |                                | 0                                     |                    |
|           | 1        |   | One                            | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | 1 (Oil and grease) |
|           | 2        |   | consecutive<br>patrols         | 1~2 (Oil and grease)                  |                    |
| Afternoon | 3        | received  |                                | 0~1 (Oil and grease)                  |                    |
|           | 4        |   |                                | 0                                     |                    |
|           | 5        |   |                                | 0                                     |                    |

#### Water Quality

Water Quality of Treated Effluent Discharged from Project Site

5.7 The water quality monitoring result of treated effluent discharged from Project Site is presented in **Table 5-5**. No exceedance of Limit Level was reported. Detailed water quality monitoring result of treated effluent discharged from Project Site is presented in **Appendix F**.

# Table 5-5Water Quality Monitoring Result of Treated Effluent Discharged from<br/>Project Site

| Parameter  | Limit Level                | Monitoring Result |
|--|----------------------------|-------------------|
| pH   | Within the range of 6 - 10 | 7.56              |
| Suspended Solids                                   | 800 mg/L                   | 80 mg/L           |
| Biochemical Oxygen Demand<br>(BOD) (5 days, 20 °C) | 800 mg/L                   | 730 mg/L          |
| Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)                       | 2000 mg/L                  | 920 mg/L          |
| Oil & Grease                                       | 50 mg/L                    | <10 mg/L          |
| Sulphate   | 1000 mg/L                  | 60 mg/L           |
| Total Nitrogen                                     | 200 mg/L                   | 56 mg/L           |
| Total Phosphorus                                   | 50 mg/L                    | 11.5 mg/L         |

#### Water Quality of Stormwater Discharge

5.8 The water quality monitoring result of stormwater discharge is presented in **Table 5-6**. No exceedance of Limit Level was reported. Detailed water quality monitoring result of treated effluent discharged from Project Site is presented in **Appendix G**.

Table 5-6Water Quality Monitoring Result of Stormwater Discharge

| Parameter  | Limit Level               | Monitoring Result |
|--|---------------------------|-------------------|
| pH   | Within the range of 6 - 9 | 6.91              |
| Suspended Solids                                   | 50 mg/L                   | 20 mg/L           |
| Biochemical Oxygen Demand<br>(BOD) (5 days, 20 °C) | 50 mg/L                   | 40 mg/L           |
| Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)                       | 100 mg/L                  | 82 mg/L           |
| Oil & Grease                                       | 30 mg/L                   | <10 mg/L          |

#### Sulphur Content in Bio Heating Oil

5.9 The monitoring result of sulphur content in Bio Heating Oil (BHO) is presented in Table 5-7. No exceedance of Limit Level was reported. Detailed monitoring result of sulphur content in Bio Heating Oil is presented in Appendix H.

Table 5-7Monitoring Result of Sulphur Content in Bio Heating Oil

| Sampling Date | Limit Level | Monitoring Result |  |
|---------------|-------------|-------------------|--|
| 23 March 2018 | 346 ppm     | 335 ppm           |  |

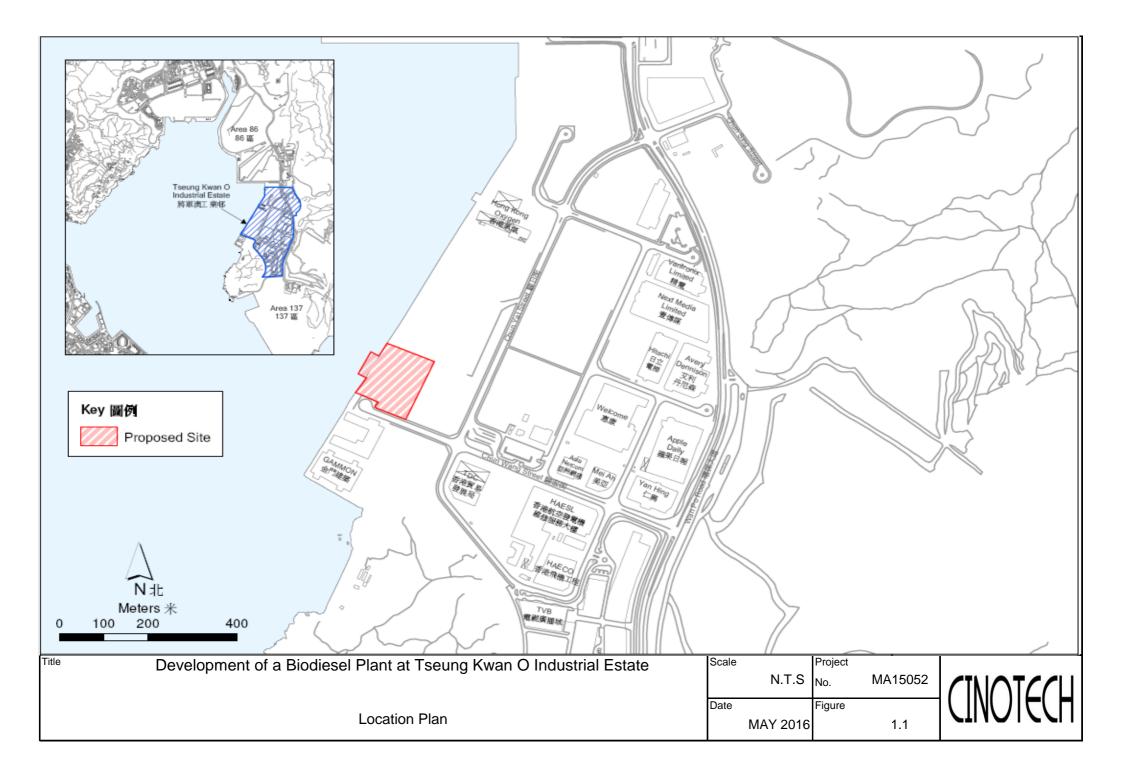
#### **6** SUMMARY OF COMPLAINT AND PROSECUTION

- 6.1 No environmental related complaint, prosecution or notification of summons was received in March 2018. Nevertheless, follow-up works for 9 complaints are still in progress.
- 6.2 In total, 15 environmental complaints, 4 notifications of summons, and 4 successful prosecutions were received since the operation of Project. The Complaint Log is attached in **Appendix I**.

#### 7 CONCLUSIONS

- 7.1 In March 2018, environmental monitoring and audit works were carried out in accordance with criteria and requirements listed in the Project EM&A Manual, Environmental Permit EP-319/2009D, Specified Process Licence L-25-019(1) and Water Pollution Control Ordinance Licence WT00029932-2017.
- 7.2 Monitoring of air quality, water quality and sulphur content in Bio Heating Oil were carried out at designated locations. 1 Limit Level exceedance was recorded at the stack of process building. Investigation for the events were carried out, and recommendations were proposed to the Operator.
- 7.3 As there was limited biogas production in March 2018, emission from stack of biogas flare cannot be sampled. Therefore, monitoring on emission form the stack was suspended in March 2018, and will be resumed in April 2018.
- 7.4 No environmental related complaint, prosecution or notification of summon was received in the reporting month. Follow-up works for 9 complaints are still in progress.

FIGURES



APPENDIX A Air Quality Monitoring Report – Emission from Stack Of Boiler



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# STACK GAS SAMPLING AND LABORATORY TESTING REPORT

## Location: ASB Biodiesel (Hong Kong) Ltd

Sampling Period: 29th March, 2018

ALS Work Order No: HK1823347

Report Issue Date: 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2018

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#### **1** Summary of Work

The document is the final report for the stack gas sampling and testing events in ASB Biodiesel (Hong Kong) Ltd.

| Sampling Period:   | 29 <sup>th</sup> March, 2018    |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| Location of Stack: | Tseung Kwan O Industrial Estate |
| No. of Stack:      | 1                               |
| Name of Stack:     | Boiler (EP2)                    |

#### **1.1** Method for Stack Sampling and Analysis

| Parameter   | USEPA Method Reference |
|---|------------------------|
| Velocity / Volumetric Flow Rate                       | Method 2               |
| Nitrogen / Oxygen / Carbon Dioxide                    | Method 3               |
| Moisture Content                                      | Method 4               |
| Sulphur Dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> )                    | Method 6               |
| Nitrogen Oxides (NO <sub>x</sub> )                    | Method 7C              |
| Carbon Monoxide (CO)                                  | Method 10B             |
| Non-Methane Organic Compounds (NMOC)                  | Method TO-12           |
| Respirable Suspended Particulates (PM <sub>10</sub> ) | Method 201A            |

#### 1.2 Sampling Time

Each gas sample, except carbon monoxide and non-methane organic compounds, was covered for at least 1 hour.

For the measurement of carbon monoxide and non-methane organic compounds, the sampling was last for at least 30 minutes.





#### 2 Sampling Summary

#### 2.1 Nitrogen Oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>)

USEPA Method 7C will be used for sampling and testing of nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>2</sub>) sample. Stack gas with nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>2</sub>) analyte will be collected from the centroid of the stack into impinger contains absorption solution (alkaline potassium permanganate solution) via regulated gas sampler. Sample will be delivered to ALS Hong Kong Laboratory and analysed colorimetrically.

#### 2.2 Sulphur Dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>)

USEPA Method 6 will be used for sampling and testing of sulphur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>) sample. Stack gas with sulphur dioxide (SO<sub>2</sub>) analyte will be collected from the centroid of the stack into impinger contains absorption solution (3 percent  $H_2O_2$  solution) via regulated gas sampler. Sample will be delivered to ALS Hong Kong Laboratory and analysed by the ion chromatography method.

#### 2.3 Carbon Monoxide (CO)

USEPA Method 10B will be used for sampling and testing of carbon monoxide (CO) sample. Stack gas with carbon monoxide (CO) analyte will be collected from the centroid of the stack into a Tedlar Bag via regulated gas sampler. Sample will be delivered to ALS Hong Kong Laboratory and analysed by the gas chromatography flame ionization detection (GC/FID).

#### 2.4 Non-Methane Organic Compounds (NMOC)

USEPA Method TO-12 will be used for sampling and testing of Non-Methane Organic Compounds (NMOC) sample. Stack gas with Non-Methane Organic Compounds (NMOC) analyte will be collected from the centroid of the stack into a 6L Canister via regulated gas sampler.

The sampling period will last for around 30 mins to collect sufficient sample for laboratory analysis. The duration depends on the stack condition such as pressure, temperature. Sample will be delivered to ALS Hong Kong Laboratory and analysed by the gas chromatography flame ionization detection (GC/FID), the result of NMOC will be reported as "propane".

#### 2.5 **Respirable Suspended Particulates (PM**<sub>10</sub>**)**

USEPA Method 201A will be used for sampling and testing of Respirable Suspended Particulates (PM10) sample. The Respirable Suspended Particulates sample shall be collected at a predetermined constant flow rate through an instack sizing device with filter paper, a glass-made probe, and a series of impingers containing distilled water absorbing solution at different traverse points along the two sampling port axis as required in the USEPA Method 1 & 2. The particulate content shall be determined gravimetrically in laboratory.



#### 3 Sampling Period and Stack Parameter

#### 3.1 Sampling Period

Sampling Date: 29<sup>th</sup> March, 2018

| Test Parameter   | Sampling Time |               |  |  |
|--|---------------|---------------|--|--|
|  | Trial 1       | Trial 2       |  |  |
| Sulphur Dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> )   | 13:16 - 14:16 | 17:25 - 18:25 |  |  |
| Nitrogen Oxides (NO <sub>x</sub> )   | 14:18 - 15:18 | 16:22 - 17:22 |  |  |
| Respirable Suspended Particulates<br>(PM <sub>10</sub> ) and Total Particulates (PM <sub>total</sub> ) | 10:00 - 11:33 | 11:44 - 13:14 |  |  |
| Carbon Monoxide (CO) & Non-<br>Methane Organic Compounds (NMOC)  | 15:20 - 15:50 | 15:51 - 16:21 |  |  |

#### 3.2 **Stack Parameter**

| Test<br>Parameter  | Trial | Sampling<br>Volume<br>(m³)[1] | Stack Gas<br>Temperature<br>(°C) | Stack Gas<br>Velocity<br>(m/s) | Minimum<br>Flow Rate<br>(m <sup>3</sup> /hr) <sup>[1]</sup> | Moisture<br>Content<br>(%) |
|--------------------|-------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|----------------------------|
| 60                 | 1     | 0.056                         | 193                              | 12.7                           | 9766  | 10.3                       |
| SO <sub>2</sub>    | 2     | 0.055                         | 184                              | 11.8                           | 8168  | 10.4                       |
| NO <sub>x</sub>    | 1     | 0.025                         | 190                              | 12.7                           | 10370   | 10.3                       |
|                    | 2     | 0.023                         | 194                              | 13.5                           | 10393   | 10.4                       |
| PM <sub>10</sub> & | 1     | 0.913                         | 178                              | 10.8                           | 8124  | 10.3                       |
|                    | 2     | 0.871                         | 190                              | 13.2                           | 10703   | 10.4                       |
| со                 | 1     | 0.0082                        | 189                              | 12.6                           | 10090   | 10.3                       |
|                    | 2     | 0.0082                        | 194                              | 13.7                           | 11189   | 10.4                       |
| NMOC               | 1     | 0.006                         | 189                              | 12.6                           | 10090   | 10.3                       |
| NMOC               | 2     | 0.006                         | 194                              | 13.7                           | 11189   | 10.4                       |

Note:

Results expressed as at 0 degree Celsius temperature, 101.325 kilopascals [1]: pressure, without correction for water vapour or oxygen content.



#### 4 Result 4.1 Boiler (EP2)

|   |                          |       | Result <sup>[1]</sup> |         |  |
|---|--------------------------|-------|-----------------------|---------|--|
| Test Parameter  | Unit                     | LOR   | Trial 1               | Trial 2 |  |
|   | ppmv                     | 2     | 54                    | 58      |  |
| Nitrogen Oxides (NO)<br>Incl. Nitrogen Dioxide<br>& Nitrogen Oxide <sup>[2]</sup> | mg/m³                    | 5     | 111                   | 120     |  |
| a Nitrogen Oxide  | kg/hr <sup>[4] [5]</sup> | 0.05  | 1.15                  | 1.25    |  |
|   | ppmv                     | 10    | <10                   | <10     |  |
| Carbon Monoxide (CO)  | mg/m³                    | 13    | <13                   | <13     |  |
|   | kg/hr <sup>[4] [5]</sup> | 0.2   | <0.2                  | <0.2    |  |
|   | ppmv                     | 1.0   | <1.0                  | <1.0    |  |
| Sulphur Dioxide (SO <sub>2</sub> )  | mg/m³                    | 3.0   | <3.0                  | <3.0    |  |
|   | kg/hr <sup>[4] [5]</sup> | 0.030 | <0.030                | <0.030  |  |
|   | ppmv                     | 0.2   | 4.3                   | 3.0     |  |
| Non-Methane Organic<br>Carbon (NMOC) <sup>[3]</sup>                               | mg/m³                    | 0.1   | 2.3                   | 1.6     |  |
|   | kg/hr <sup>[4] [5]</sup> | 0.001 | 0.023                 | 0.018   |  |
| Respirable Suspended  | mg/m³                    | 5.0   | <5.0                  | <5.0    |  |
| Particulates (PM <sub>10</sub> )  | kg/hr <sup>[4] [5]</sup> | 0.05  | <0.05                 | <0.05   |  |
| Total Particulates  | mg/m³                    | 5.0   | <5.0                  | <5.0    |  |
| (PM <sub>total</sub> )  | kg/hr <sup>[4] [5]</sup> | 0.05  | <0.05                 | <0.05   |  |

Note:

- [1]: Results expressed as at 0 degree Celsius temperature, 101.325 kilopascals pressure, without correction for water vapour or oxygen content. The introduction of dilution air to achieve the limit is not allowed.
- [2]: Results expressed as nitrogen dioxide.
- [3]: Results expressed as carbon.
- [4]: The LOR of the emission rate (kg/hr) is calculated based on the minimum flow rate among the 2 sampling trials.
- [5]: The emission rate (kg/hr) is calculated based on the minimum flow rate during sampling.
- LOR: Laboratory Reporting Limit.

APPENDIX C Air Quality Monitoring Report – Emission from Stack of Process Building



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#### 1 Summary of Work

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| Sampling Period:   | 29 <sup>th</sup> March, 2018    |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|
| Location of Stack: | Tseung Kwan O Industrial Estate |
| No. of Stack:      | 1                               |
| Name of Stack:     | Process Building Outlet (EP3)   |

#### **1.1** Method for Stack Sampling and Analysis

| Parameter                       | USEPA Method Reference |  |  |
|---------------------------------|------------------------|--|--|
| Velocity / Volumetric Flow Rate | Method 2               |  |  |
| Acetaldehyde                    | Method TO-11A          |  |  |
| Methanol                        | Method TO-14A          |  |  |

#### 1.2 Sampling Time

The sampling time of each gas sample was covered for at least 1 hour.

#### 2 Sampling Summary

### 2.1 Acetaldehyde

USEPA Method TO-11A will be used for sampling and testing of Acetaldehyde sample. Stack gas with Acetaldehyde analyte will be collected from the centroid of the stack into DNPH-coated silica gel cartridges via regulated gas sampler. Sample will be delivered to ALS Hong Kong Laboratory and analysed by the liquid chromatography with ultraviolet (UV) detection.

#### 2.2 Methanol

USEPA Method TO-14A will be used for sampling and testing of Methanol sample. Stack gas with Methanol analyte will be collected from the centroid of the stack into a 6L Canister via regulated gas sampler.

The sampling period will last for around 60 mins to collect sufficient sample for laboratory analysis. The duration depends on the stack condition such as pressure, temperature. Sample will be delivered to ALS Hong Kong Laboratory and analysed by the gas chromatography flame ionization detection (GC/FID).



### 3 Sampling Period and Stack Parameter

#### 3.1 Sampling Period

Sampling Date: 29<sup>th</sup> March, 2018

| Test Parameter | Trial 1       | Trial 2       |  |
|----------------|---------------|---------------|--|
| Acetaldehyde   | 10:10 - 11:10 | 11:11 - 12:11 |  |
| Methanol       | 10:10 - 11:10 | 11:11 - 12:11 |  |

### 3.2 Stack Parameter

| Test Parameter | Trial | Sampling<br>Volume<br>(m <sup>3</sup> ) <sup>[1]</sup> | Stack Gas<br>Temperature<br>(°C) | Stack Gas<br>Velocity<br>(m/s) | Stack Gas<br>Volume Flow<br>Rate (m³/hr) <sup>[1]</sup> |
|----------------|-------|--|----------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Acetaldehyde   | 1     | 0.0583   | 54.2                             | 3.8                            | 204   |
|                | 2     | 0.0548   | 56.4                             | 3.9                            | 204   |
| Methanol       | 1     | 0.006  | 54.2                             | 3.8                            | 204   |
|                | 2     | 0.006  | 56.4                             | 3.9                            | 204   |

Note:

[1]: Expressed as 0 deg. C, 101.325 kilopascal pressure.



#### 4 Result

### **Process Building Outlet (EP3)**

| Test         | Unit  | LOR                | Result <sup>[1]</sup> |                     |  |
|--------------|-------|--------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--|
| Parameter    |       |                    | Trial 1               | Trial 2             |  |
| Acetaldehyde | ppmv  | 2.5                | <2.5                  | <2.5                |  |
|              | mg/m³ | 5                  | <5                    | <5                  |  |
|              | kg/hr | 1x10 <sup>-3</sup> | <1x10 <sup>-3</sup>   | <1x10 <sup>-3</sup> |  |
| Methanol     | ppmv  | 50                 | 757                   | 108                 |  |
|              | mg/m³ | 70                 | 1081                  | 154                 |  |
|              | kg/hr | 0.01               | 0.22                  | 0.03                |  |

Note:

[1]: Results expressed as at 0 degree Celsius temperature, 101.325 kilopascals pressure, without correction for water vapour or oxygen content. The introduction of dilution air to achieve the limit is not allowed.

LOR: Laboratory Reporting Limit

APPENDIX D Air Quality Monitoring Report – Odour Measurement at Final Air Scrubber

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# **Odour Measurement at ASB Biodiesel Plant**

16 March 2018

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#### 1. Background

An odour assessment service was required by ASB Biodiesel (Hong Kong) Limited to collect odour samples at the final air scrubber and to conduct laboratory olfactometry analysis with the European Standard Method (EN13725).

#### 2. Scope of the Work

The scope of the work is:

One sampling location was previously identified by the client. A total of two odour samples need to be collected at final air scrubber per month for a period of one year and the monthly report need to be submitted to the client.

- . to collect two odour samples at the final air scrubber and deliver the collected samples to laboratory for olfactometry analysis on 16 March 2018.
- . to conduct laboratory olfactometry analysis to determine the odour concentration of the collected odour samples;
- . to calculate the odour emission rate at the final air scrubber;
- . to prepare an analytical report.

#### 3. Methodology

3.1 Odour Sampling

Odour gas sample is collected by a Sampling Device Standard consists of a vacuum container, which is evacuated by a vacuum pump. The sampling point and the standard sampler are connected by a probe. Due to the evacuation in the sampling device, the sample bag, inside the device, sucks in sample air via the probe. During this process, none of its components come into contact with the sample air due to the construction of the sampling device.



Odour Sampling System

#### 3.2 Odour Measurement by Olfactometry

Odour concentration is determined by a Dynamic Olfactometer (TO evolution) in accordance with the European Standard Method (EN13725). This European Standard specifies a method for the objective determination of the odour concentration of a gaseous sample using dynamic olfactometry with human assessors and the emission rate of odours emanating from point sources, area sources with outward flow and area sources without outward flow. This European Standard is applicable to the measurement of odour concentration of pure substances, defined mixtures and undefined mixtures of gaseous odorants in air or nitrogen, using dynamic olfactometry with a panel of human assessors being the sensor. The unit of measurement is the odour unit percubic metre:  $OU_E/m^3$ . The odour concentration is measured by determining the dilution factor required to reach the detection threshold. The odour concentration at the detection threshold is defined as 1  $OU_E/m^3$ . The odour concentration is then expressed in terms of multiples of the detection threshold. The range of measurement is typically from  $2^2 OU_E/m^3$  to  $2^{17} OU_E/m^3$  (excluding pre-dilution).



#### Olfactometer

#### 3.3 Determination of Odour Emission Rate

The odour emission rate (OER) at the final air scrubber can be calculated by the following equation:

OER (ou/s) = Odour concentration (ou/m<sup>3</sup>) x Cross section area of outlet (m<sup>2</sup>) x Outlet gas flow velocity (m/s).

#### 4. Odour Sampling and Olfactometry Measurement

#### 4.1 Sampling Activities

The odour sampling works was conducted on 16 March 2018 at the final air scrubber. A total of two odour samples were collected on the site and delivered to the Odour Research Centre of THEi immediately.

During the odour sampling, the wind speed was measured on the outlet of final air scrubber. The location description and sampling condition are summarized in Table 1.

| Location<br>ID | Location description | Date          | Time  | Туре | a<br>(m <sup>2</sup> ) | V<br>(m/s) | OC<br>(OU <sub>E</sub> /m <sup>3</sup> ) | OER<br>(ou/s) |
|----------------|----------------------|---------------|-------|------|------------------------|------------|--|---------------|
| 1              | Final air scrubber   | 16 March 2018 | 10:50 | А    | 0.0962                 | 0.70       | 244                                      | 16.4          |
| 2              | Final air scrubber   | 16 March 2018 | 10:55 | Α    | 0.0962                 | 0.70       | 258                                      | 17.4          |

Table 1: Summary of sampling condition and results for olfactometry measurement

Remark: A: Ambient sampling; a: Cross section area of final air scrubber; V: Gas flow velocity from final air scrubber; OC: Odour concentration; OER: Odour emission rate from final air scrubber.

#### 4.2 Olfactometry Measurement and Analytical Results

A total of two odour samples were tranported to the Odour Research Centre of THEi. The olfactometry analysis was conducted within 24 hours after the sampling work using a dynamic olfactometer in accordance with the European Standard Method (EN13725). Four qualified panellists participated in the odour testing session, who were previously selected through a set of screening tests using a certified n-butanol gas (60 ppm/v) as a standard reference.

According to the odour concentration determined for each sample, the odour emission rates at the final air scrubber were calculated as follows:

OER (ou/s) = Odour concentration (ou/m<sup>3</sup>) x Cross section area of outlet (m<sup>2</sup>) x Outlet gas flow velocity (m/s).

The analytical results of odour concentrations and odour emission rate are summarized in Table 1.

The photos about the on-site sampling activity at the final air scrubber are presented below,



Final air scrubber



Final air scrubber

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APPENDIX E Air Quality Monitoring Report – Odour Patrol

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# For ASB Biodiesel (Hong Kong) Limited

# **Odour Patrol at ASB Biodiesel Plant**

9 March 2018

By Odour Research Centre

Faculty of Science and Technology Technological and Higher Education Institute of Hong Kong

(Member of VTC Group)

#### 1. Background

An odour patrol survey was required by ASB Biodiesel (Hong Kong) Limited to determine the odour intensity of ambient air at the boundary of ASB Biodiesel Plant during its operation period of the morning and the afternoon on 9 March 2018.

#### 2. Scope of the Work

The scope of the work is:

This field odour survey includes the daily monitoring by a qualified odour panelist from THEi to record the instant weather conditions, to determine odour intensity and also to identify odour natures at each of five locations along with the boundary of the ASB Biodiesel Plant. The odour patrol exercise should be conducted two times per month for a period of one year and the monthly report need to be submitted to the client.

#### 3. Methodology

- 3.1 The odour patrol means a simple judgment by observers patrolling and sniffing at the boundary of the ASB Biodiesel Plant to detect any odour at different time within operating hours.
- 3.2 One qualified odour panelist with his individual thresholds (n-butanol) complied with the requirement of the European Standard Method (EN13725) in the range of 20 to 80 ppb/v and a standard deviation of R < 2.3 should be selected to conduct the odour patrol work.
- 3.3 The panelist should be free from any respiratory diseases and normally do not work at or live in the area in the vicinity of the ASB Biodiesel Plant.
- 3.4 During each visit, the instant weather conditions should be measured using a portable environment anemometer (Lutron LM-8000) and recorded for references.
- 3.5 During odour patrol, the panelist should indentify the odour nature and determine the odour intensity at each location. The odour intensity can be expressed using an odour intensity scale, which is a verbal description of an odour sensation to which a numerical value is assigned at five different levels according to the following criteria:

| 0 | Not detected | No odour perceived or an odour so week that it can not be easily<br>characterised or described |
|---|--------------|--|
| 1 | Slight       | Identifiable odour, slight   |
| 2 | Moderate     | Identifiable odour, moderate   |
| 3 | Strong       | Identifiable, strong   |
| 4 | Extreme      | Severe odour   |
|   |              |  |

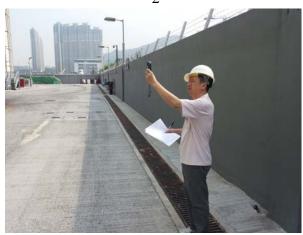
#### 4. Odour Patrol Survey

- 4.1 Prior to the on-site odour survey, a site visit was conducted by an odour technician from the Odour Research Centre of THEi together with the staff from ASB Biodiesel (Hong Kong) Limited. During the site visit, five locations at the boundary of ASB Biodiesel Plant were identified for the odour patrol survey and are clearly marked in Figure 1.
- 4.2 One qualified odour panelist from THEi was selected as an observer to conduct the odour patrol, who participated in a set of screening tests using a certified n-butanol gas with their individual thresholds (n-butanol) complied with the requirement of the European Standard Method (EN13725) in the range of 20 to 80 ppb/v and a standard deviation of R < 2.3.
- 4.3 The odour patrol survey was conducted in the morning and the afternoon on 9 March 2018.
- 4.4 During each survey, the odour panelist recorded the weather conditions including prevailing weather, wind direction and wind speed, determined the odour intensity and also indentified the odour nature at each location.
- 4.5 The illustrations about odour patrol activities at different locations are presented below:









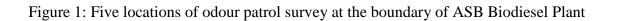
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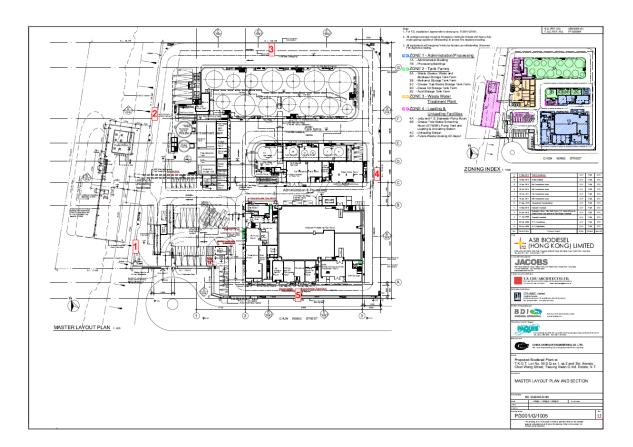


4.6 All odour patrol data and findings in two trips on 9 March 2018 are summarized in Table 1 as shown below:

|              |          |       |         | Wind        |           | Odour     | Observations        |
|--------------|----------|-------|---------|-------------|-----------|-----------|---------------------|
| Date         | Location | Time  | Weather | Speed (m/s) | Direction | Intensity | <b>Odour Nature</b> |
| 9 March 2018 | 1        | 10:02 | Fine    | 1.4         | NE        | 0~1       | Oil and Grease      |
|              | 2        | 10:06 |         | 1.9         | NE        | 1         | Oil and Grease      |
|              | 3        | 10:11 |         | 1.2         | NE        | 0~1       | Oil and Grease      |
|              | 4        | 10:15 |         | 0.8         | NE        | 0         |                     |
|              | 5        | 10:18 |         | 0.6         | NE        | 0         |                     |
|              |          |       |         |             |           |           |                     |
|              | 1        | 12:17 | Fine    | 2.2         | E-NE      | 1         | Oil and Grease      |
|              | 2        | 12:21 |         | 3.1         | E-NE      | 1~2       | Oil and Grease      |
|              | 3        | 12:26 |         | 2.5         | E-NE      | 0~1       | Oil and Grease      |
|              | 4        | 12:30 |         | 1.6         | E-NE      | 0         |                     |
|              | 5        | 12:34 |         | 1.0         | E-NE      | 0         |                     |

| Table 1: Summary of odour patrol s | survey data and findings |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------|
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APPENDIX F Water Quality Monitoring Result – Effluent from Wastewater Treatment Plant ASB Biodiesel (Hong Kong) Ltd.



| No.  |   | S301-20180311-0900 |
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| Date | : | 15 March, 2018     |
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### TEST REPORT

| SAMPLE DESCRIPTION   |   | Stream 1, Water Pollution Control Ordinance (CAP. 358)<br>Licence No.: WT00029932-2017 |
|----------------------|---|--|
| SAMPLE RECEIVED DATE | : | 11 March, 2018   |
| TESTING DATE         | 1 | 11-15 March, 2018  |

TEST RESULT

| TEST                     | METHOD            | UNIT | LIMIT | RESULT |
|--------------------------|-------------------|------|-------|--------|
| рН                       | /                 | 1    | 6-10  | 7.56   |
| TCOD                     | HACH Method 8000  | mg/L | 2000  | 920    |
| Sulfate                  | HACH Method 10248 | mg/L | 1000  | 60     |
| Total Nitrogen (as N)    | HACH Method 10071 | mg/L | 200   | 56     |
| Total Phosphorous (as P) | HACH Method 8190  | mg/L | 50    | 11.5   |
| Total Suspended Solid    | APHA 2540 D       | mg/L | 800   | 80     |
| Oil & Grease             | APHA 5520 B       | mg/L | 50    | <10    |
| BOD <sub>5</sub>         | APHA 5210 B       | mg/L | 800   | 730    |

For and on behalf of ASB BIODIESEL (HONG KONG) LTD

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APPENDIX G Water Quality Monitoring Result – Stormwater Discharge





| No. :  | SP2-20180316-0900 |
|--------|-------------------|
| Date : | 22 March, 2018    |
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#### **TEST REPORT**

| SAMPLE DESCRIPTION   |   | SP2, Water Pollution Control Ordinance (CAP. 358)<br>Licence No.: WT00022972-2015 |
|----------------------|---|---|
| SAMPLE RECEIVED DATE |   | 16 March, 2018  |
| TESTING DATE         | 3 | 16-20 March, 2017   |
| TEST RESULT          | : |   |

| TEST                  | METHOD           | UNIT | LIMIT | RESULT |  |
|-----------------------|------------------|------|-------|--------|--|
| pH                    | /                | 1    | 6-9   | 6.91   |  |
| TCOD                  | HACH Method 8000 | mg/L | 100   | 82     |  |
| Total Suspended Solid | APHA 2540 D      | mg/L | 50    | 20     |  |
| Oil & Grease          | APHA 5520 B      | mg/L | 30    | <10    |  |
| BOD₅                  | APHA 5210 B      | mg/L | 50    | 40     |  |

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APPENDIX H Test Result – Sulphur Content in Bio Heating Oil





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#### **TEST REPORT**

| SAMPLE DESCRIPTION   |   | Bio Heating Oil, Tank 21 |
|----------------------|---|--------------------------|
| SAMPLE RECEIVED DATE | ţ | 23 March, 2018           |
| TESTING DATE         | ŧ | 23 March, 2018           |
| TEST RESULT          | : |                          |

| TEST    | METHOD             | UNIT  | RESULT |
|---------|--------------------|-------|--------|
| Sulphur | EN ISO 20846: 2011 | mg/kg | 335    |

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APPENDIX I Complaint Log

# **APPENDIX I – COMPLAINT LOG**

## **Reporting Month**: March 2018

| Log Ref.                | Location         | Received<br>Date                       | Details of Complaint   | Investigation/Mitigation Action   |        |
|-------------------------|------------------|--|--|---|--------|
| COM-<br>2016-09-<br>001 | Not<br>Specified | 24 <sup>th</sup><br>September,<br>2016 | 2 Gammon engineers<br>complained about strong<br>odour and oily discharge at<br>9:15 am          | The incident was due to the pump P101A was tripped and leaded to an overflow of wastewater at Influent Pit T101.<br>According to the project proponent, at 8:45 am, high level alarm at Level Indicator of T101 was triggered and the water level in Influent Pit T101 was over 100%.<br>Investigation found out that wastewater was flooding from Bar Screen Room to road because the pump P101A was not operating in the field (although the pump was indicated operating in Process Control System).<br>Operator then immediately stopped the wastewater feeding to Influent Pit T101, and put sand bags around the stormwater grating outside the pedestrian walkway of Bar Screen Room to block wastewater leaking into storm water drainage. Afterwards, operator cleaned up the area. The problem was resolved at 10:30 am at the same day, and no irritation smell was sensed outside the project site.<br>To prevent recurrence, the following measures are recommended:<br>- Cover the storm water grating outside the bar screen room pedestrian walkway by steel plate;<br>- Modify the pump P101A temporary control circuit to feedback overload trip signal back to Process Control System. Maintenance will set up periodic inspection programme to monitor pump performance; and<br>- Review the emergency handling procedures. | Closed |
| COM-<br>2016-10-<br>002 | Not<br>Specified | 5 <sup>th</sup> October,<br>2016       | EPD referred that a councilor<br>complained about constant<br>smell released from the<br>Project | - Always keep the gate of the grease trap waste screening room closed:  |        |

| Log Ref.                | Location         | Received<br>Date                  | Details of Complaint  | Investigation/Mitigation Action  |        |
|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|---|--|--------|
| COM-<br>2016-10-<br>003 | Not<br>Specified | 18 <sup>th</sup> October,<br>2016 | EPD referred that a complaint<br>on malodour from the Project<br>was received on 11 <sup>th</sup> October<br>2016   | Investigation found no process upset during that week.<br>Operator has put the best effort housekeeping (e.g. keeping sludge containers and<br>rooms closed and frequent cleaning of drainage system), and staff have been trained<br>on housekeeping.   | Closed |
| COM-<br>2017-02-<br>004 | Not<br>Specified | 6 <sup>th</sup> February,<br>2017 | EPD referred complaints from<br>Drainage Service Department<br>(DSD) and neighboring sites<br>regarding the blockage of<br>public sewerage system along<br>Chun Wang Street. DSD<br>reported to EPD that some<br>oily substances and debris had<br>blocked the sewerage system. | Investigation found similar substances (i.e. oily substances and debris) at the foul<br>manhole within the Plant. Investigation also found that untreated effluent was<br>discharged to a foul manhole within the Plant.<br>Follow-up action (i.e. cleaning of internal sewerage system, from FMH01 to<br>TFMH01) was carried out in early February. In addition, operator has put the best<br>effort (e.g. carry out staff training) to ensure that all effluent are treated properly by<br>wastewater treatment facilities before discharge.   |        |
| COM-<br>2017-07-<br>005 | Not<br>Specified | 4 <sup>th</sup> July, 2017        | EPD referred that resident of<br>LOHAS Park complained<br>operation of ASB plant caused<br>noise nuisance (low frequency<br>machinery noise continuously<br>round the clock) and emitted<br>unpleasant malodour on 19<br>June, 2017.  | Noise Nuisance<br>Since there are other noise sources which operate continuously round the clock (e.g. cooling tower from other buildings) between the Project Site and LOHAS Park, the noise nuisance could be due to other noise sources. In addition, investigation found no process upset on that day. Considering the long distance (at least 900m) between the Project Site and LOHAS Park, the noise nuisance may not be caused by the operator. Unpleasant Malodour<br>Investigation found no process upset during the week. Since the regular odour monitoring (i.e. odour measurement at the Final Air Scrubber and odour patrol along Site boundary) did not report any exceedance event (except this complaint) in June and July 2017, the unpleasant malodour may not be caused by the Project considering the long distance (at least 900m) between the Project Site and LOHAS Park. Operator has, and will, put the best effort housekeeping (e.g. keeping sludge containers and rooms closed and frequent cleaning of drainage system) to minimize odour nuisance. | Closed |

| Log Ref.                | Location           | Received<br>Date                  | Details of Complaint   | Investigation/Mitigation Action  |         |
|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|---------|
| COM-<br>2017-07-<br>006 | Stack of<br>Boiler | 4 <sup>th</sup> July, 2017        | EPD referred that a complaint<br>on continuous dark smoke<br>emission from Stack of Boiler<br>on 30 June, 2017 at about 6<br>pm.   | Investigation found that a Pressure Control Valve had malfunctioned, causing unsteady oil flow into burner. This led to a low air to fuel ratio which ultimately led to dark smoke emission.<br>The Valve was repaired on 1 <sup>st</sup> July 2017 morning, and no dark smoke was emitted.  | Closed  |
| COM-<br>2017-10-<br>007 | Not<br>Specified   | 6 <sup>th</sup> October<br>2017   | EPD referred that employee of<br>nearby plant (Chun Wang<br>Street, Tseung Kwan O<br>Industrial Estate) complained<br>ASB biodiesel plant emitting<br>malodour continuously.   | Investigation found no process upset during the week. Regular odour monitoring (i.e. odour measurement at the Final Air Scrubber and odour patrol along Site boundary) did not report any exceedance event (except complaint) in this reporting month. Nevertheless, as joint site visit on 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2017 carried out by ET & IEC identified several environmental deficiencies. Necessary actions were proposed to the operator, and the operator has been rectifying the deficiencies. | Ongoing |
| COM-<br>2017-10-<br>008 | Not<br>Specified   | 17 <sup>th</sup> October<br>2017  | EPD referred that employee of<br>nearby plant (Chun Wang<br>Street, Tseung Kwan O<br>Industrial Estate) complained<br>ASB biodiesel plant emitting<br>malodour from 7:15am to<br>afternoon on 12 Oct 2017 and<br>from 7:50am to afternoon on<br>13 Oct 2017. | Investigation found no process upset during the week. Regular odour monitoring (i.e odour measurement at the Final Air Scrubber and odour patrol along Site boundary) did not report any exceedance event (except complaint) in this reporting month.<br>Nevertheless, as joint site visit on 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2017 carried out by ET & IEC identified several environmental deficiencies. Necessary actions were proposed to the coverter and been rectifying the deficiencies.                 |         |
| COM-<br>2017-11-<br>009 | Stack of<br>Boiler | 17 <sup>th</sup> November<br>2017 | EPD referred that a complaint<br>was received regarding<br>continuous dark smoke<br>emission from Stack of Boiler<br>on 14 Nov 2017 at 12:50pm.  | Investigation found that the steam boiler was tripped, which might cause dark smoke<br>emission. The operator had stopped the production immediately, and carried out<br>maintenance work to rectify the problem.  | Ongoing |

| Log Ref.                | Location           | Received<br>Date                  | Details of Complaint   | Investigation/Mitigation Action  |         |
|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------------|--|--|---------|
| COM-<br>2017-11-<br>010 | Stack of<br>Boiler | 20 <sup>th</sup> November<br>2017 | EPD referred that a complaint<br>was received regarding<br>continuous dark smoke<br>emission from Stack of Boiler<br>on 18 Nov 2017 from<br>11:00am to noon (12:00).   | Investigation found that the steam boiler was tripped, which might cause dark smoke<br>emission. The operator had stopped the production immediately, and carried out<br>maintenance work to rectify the problem.  | Ongoing |
| COM-<br>2017-11-<br>011 | Not<br>Specified   | 21 <sup>st</sup> November<br>2017 | EPD referred that employee of<br>nearby plant complained ASB<br>biodiesel plant emitting<br>malodour continuously.   | <ul> <li>Although investigation found no process upset during the week, the roller door of the sludge container room was impaired, which would emit malodour. The operator will fix the roller door.</li> <li>Nevertheless, regular odour monitoring (i.e. odour measurement at the Final Air Scrubber and odour patrol along Site boundary) did not report any exceedance event (except complaint) in this reporting month.</li> <li>Besides, joint site visit on 11<sup>th</sup> December 2017 carried out by ET &amp; IEC identified several environmental deficiencies. Necessary actions were proposed to the operator, and the operator has been rectifying the deficiencies.</li> </ul> |         |
| COM-<br>2017-11-<br>012 | Not<br>Specified   | 23 <sup>th</sup> November<br>2017 | EPD referred that a<br>complainant complained ASB<br>biodiesel plant emitting<br>malodour across Chun Wang<br>Street.  | Investigation found no process upset during the week. The impaired roller door of the sludge container room (COM-2017-11-011) hadn't been fixed. The operator will fix the roller door.<br>Nevertheless, regular odour monitoring (i.e. odour measurement at the Final Air Scrubber and odour patrol along Site boundary) did not report any exceedance event (except complaint) in this reporting month.<br>Besides, joint site visit on 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2017 carried out by ET & IEC identified several environmental deficiencies. Necessary actions were proposed to the operator, and the operator has been rectifying the deficiencies.  | Ongoing |
| COM-<br>2017-11-<br>013 | Not<br>Specified   | 29 <sup>th</sup> November<br>2017 | EPD referred that a<br>complainant at Tseung Kwan<br>O Industrial Estate<br>complained ASB biodiesel<br>plant emitting malodour<br>continuously, from Monday to<br>Saturday, from 8:00am to<br>7:00pm. The complainant | Regular odour monitoring (i.e. odour measurement at the Final Air Scrubber and<br>odour patrol along Site boundary) did not report any exceedance event (except<br>complaint) since the commencement of the Project's operational phase.<br>Nevertheless, during the year, site visits carried out by EPD and site audits carried out<br>jointly by the operator, ET and IEC identified environmental deficiencies which<br>would pose malodour problem. The recent joint site audit carried out by the operator,<br>ET and IEC on 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2017 identified several environmental deficiencies.   | Ongoing |

| Log Ref.                | Location         | Received<br>Date                  | Details of Complaint  | Investigation/Mitigation Action  |         |
|-------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|---|--|---------|
|                         |                  |                                   | suspected that the odourous<br>gas is toxic and causes air<br>pollution. The complainant<br>also pointed out that<br>complaint on malodour was<br>raised one year ago. Although<br>the malodour was mitigated<br>after EPD's follow-up action,<br>the problem resumed after 2<br>weeks. | Necessary actions were proposed to the operator, and the operator has been rectifying<br>the deficiencies.<br>Regarding the complainant suspected that the odourous gas is toxic, the investigation<br>is still in progress.   |         |
| COM-<br>2017-11-<br>014 | Not<br>Specified | 29 <sup>th</sup> November<br>2017 | EPD referred that a complaint<br>complained oily substances<br>being discharged from an<br>outfall near the roundabout at<br>the western end of Chun<br>Wang Street. The oily<br>substances was suspected to<br>be discharged from the ASB<br>biodiesel plant.                          | Investigation work has been carried out. A joint site visit on 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2017 carried out by ET & IEC found oily substance being left near drainage channel, the operator is advised to 1.) clean up the oily substance; 2.) check and clean the oil interceptor; and 3.) clean the drainage system. | Ongoing |
| COM-<br>2018-01-<br>015 | Not<br>Specified | 29 <sup>th</sup> January<br>2018  | EPD referred that a complained ASP Investigation found that the tricanter in the wastewater treatment plant was blocked on 29 <sup>th</sup> January 2018. During maintenance on the same day, some odourous material  |  | Ongoing |

APPENDIX J Investigation Report of Environmental Quality Limit Exceedances (March 2018)



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| Subject: | Development of a Biodiesel Plant at Tseung Kwan O Industrial Estate<br>Investigation Report for the exceedance event in March 2018 |              |              |  |
|----------|--|--------------|--------------|--|
| Job No.  | D1067  | Total Pages: | 1            |  |
| From:    | Mr. Mark Cheung  | Ref:         | D1067/P06220 |  |
| Attn:    | Mr. H. T. Lai  | Fax:         | 3107 1388    |  |
| To:      | Cinotech   | Date:        | 18 July 2018 |  |

Dear Sir,

We refer to your submission of the Investigation Report for the exceedance event in March 2018 via email dated 16 July 2018.

We write to advise that we have no comment on the captioned report.

Please keep tracking on the conditions of the equipment in order to avoid the recurrence of exceedance event. For any investigation required in the future, please carry out the investigation and compile the report as soon as practicable.

Regards,

Mark Cheung Independent Environmental Checker KTC/gk

# **Development of a Biodiesel Plant at Tseung Kwan O Industrial Estate** - Investigation Report of Environmental Quality Limit Exceedances

## Monitoring Month: March 2018

## Part A – Exceedance Summary Table

|   | Station                            | Parameter | Action Level | Limit Level  | Monitoring Result ** |
|---|------------------------------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|----------------------|
| i | Stack of Process Building<br>(EP3) | Methanol  | N.A. *       | 0.0975 kg/hr | <u>0.125 kg/hr</u>   |

\* No Action Level was set in the Final EM&A Manual of the Project

\*\* Bold Italic means Action Level exceedance; <u>Bold Italic with underline</u> means Limit Level exceedance

# Part B – Investigation:

i) The same parameter was also exceeded in the previous reporting month (i.e. February 2018). The exceedance of methanol emission from Stack of Process Building was due to the insufficient water flow to the scrubber. Investigation found out that part aging (discharge valve of P09) limited the water flow, and caused insufficient water flow to the scrubber. The operator had increased the water flow to the scrubber in February 2018 as temporary measure before the arrival of new valve. Although the emission rate of methanol was significantly less than the previous reporting month (i.e. 1.645 kg/hr in February 2018), the emission exceeded the Limit Level in this reporting month. Once the new valve arrived, the aging valve was replaced (30 March 2018). After the part replacement, the emission complied the Limit level in subsequent monitoring (in April 2018).

# Part C – Recommendation and Follow-up Action:

i) It is recommended that the Operator shall carry out regular maintenance more frequently.