

NRW B B 42.15 Annex 2 Possible Technical Changes

#	Regime	Proposal	Reason for changes	Evidence	Main contact	Comment	Decision Y/N
1	EPR	Under the Ship Recycling Facilities Regulations 2015 we suggest setting the variation charge for an existing appropriate permit at the same rate as the charge for a Minor Technical Variation (where applicable).	This has been agreed with the EA through the Joint Working Group for implementation of the Regulations. This is a joint Competent Authority piece of legislation with HSE. They will charge separately for their assessment through their schemes and formally notify us they are content for a variation to be issued.	The charges are based around the fact that most sites will be existing Tier 3 bespoke permits that have an EMS in place that covers the majority of the risk mitigation measures for our remit. The minor technical variation charge was seen as a fair fee for the additional work to issue the variation.	Julie Tate		
2	EPR Waste and Installations	DEF Poor Performer Multipliers – Introduction of a second tier of multipliers for consistent poor performers. To be applied when a site has remained in Band D, E or F for 2 consecutive years. Will continue to be applied until the site moves back into Band A, B or C.	To recoup income required to regulate these sites and to encourage better environmental performance.	Data gathered through the work of the Compliance group has shown that the vast majority of our regulatory effort is being spent at these sites and that the fees paid do not cover costs. (More detailed evidence available to support this from the compliance report when necessary).	Julie Tate		
3	EPR Waste and Installations	Standard Rules Permits – Details unclear at present.			Gareth Lewis		
4	EPR Waste and Installations	Article 14 Energy Efficiency Directive charges– Details unclear at present.			Karl Shepherd		
5	Carbon Trading	EUETS/CRC – Details unclear at present.			Iwan Hughes		
6	Abstraction Charges	Update the tiered scheme developed for 2015-16.	Officers are currently looking at the current charges to assess whether any changes are necessary.		Gideon Carpenter		
6	Abstraction Charges	To introduce a charge for the 'Consent to Investigate' process undertaken prior to a Groundwater Abstraction Application being made.	Prior to making a Groundwater Abstraction Application customers are required to ascertain whether water is present and whether any abstraction will be sustainable, and does not affect other water users or the wider water environment. If the results of their testing demonstrates no effects we invite them to formally apply for an abstraction licence. This work is currently being done free of charge and can typically take between 23 and 45 hours for the various departments involved to undertake.	Currently only anecdotal evidence is available which estimates the amount of time taken by each department to process each part of the process. The department will now start collecting actual data to use to calculate costs	Dave Jones		

