

Northacre Renewable Energy – Press Statement on Draft Approval Document for Environmental Permit – 10 March 2022

"Northacre Renewable Energy Limited (NREL), are pleased to confirm that the Environment Agency (EA) have issued a draft approval document for the Environmental Permit (EP) required to operate the Northacre Energy from Waste facility.

There will now be a further consultation period which closes on 22 April 2022, before the EA make their final decision. Information on this consultation period is now available on the EA's Online Portal, Citizen Space, which can be accessed here: https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/psc/ba13-4we-northacre-renewable-energy-limited/

The EA will only grant a Permit for the facility if they consider that it will not have an adverse impact on the environment, or human health. When granting an Environmental Permit, the EA will impose emission limits, which the facility will be required to comply with but which will also be subject to review and revision, in line with changing legislation or industry requirements, during the life of the facility.

The Northacre facility has never been more important to Wiltshire's sustainable future. The project represents a £200 million investment in the local economy and a major new source of employment including many highly-skilled permanent roles. In addition, the facility addresses the pressing need for a sustainable long-term solution, to non-recyclable residual waste in Wiltshire, by reducing landfill's contribution to climate change. Northacre Renewable Energy is ready and committed to play its part in the transition to a low carbon economy."



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About Northacre Renewable Energy Limited

Northacre Renewable Energy Limited (NREL) is a special purpose joint venture established to deliver the Northacre facility in Westbury. NREL is owned by Bioenergy Infrastructure Group, a UK independent power producer specialising in energy-from-waste and waste wood facilities, and The Hills Group, a Wiltshire based company with business interests in waste management, quarrying aggregates and house building.

About Bioenergy Infrastructure Group

Bioenergy Infrastructure Group ("BIG") is a specialist owner and operator of biomass and waste to energy solutions. BIG is establishing the UK's largest portfolio of biomass and waste to energy facilities, which will have the potential to divert over 1 million tonnes of waste each year from landfill and deliver vital additional electricity capacity to the national grid, helping to meet demand from industry and households across the UK. Taking a long-term approach and targeting mid-scale facilities throughout the development cycle, from greenfield sites to those already in operation, BIG has established a market leading position by leveraging its experience and speed of decision making to achieve the level of portfolio scale, diversification and operational synergies required to attract institutional capital into UK bioenergy.

More about BIG at https://bioenergyinfrastructure.co.uk/

About Hills Group

The Hills Group is a privately-owned family company with a broad and successful portfolio of business activities which include recycling and waste management; quarrying of aggregates and production of ready-mixed concrete; and building new homes. It is a dynamic regional business which, while centred on Wiltshire, has stretched its boundaries into neighbouring areas.

More about Hills Group at https://www.hills-group.co.uk/