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13 April 2018

**FAO: Corporate Secretary** 

Dear Sir/Madam

**FINAL WARNING LETTER: FWL-2018-1609** 

POLLUTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2012 (AS AMENDED)

EMISSION OF SMOKE ON 18 JUNE 2017 WHICH EXCEEDED RINGELMANN SHADE 2 FOR MORE THAN 15 MINUTES AT THE MOSSMORRAN FRACTIONATION PLANT (PERMIT NUMBER PPC/A/1013495) (AS VARIED)

Condition 4.1.1 of Permit PPC/A/1013495 requires that smoke of Ringelmann Shade<sup>1</sup> 2 is not emitted from the elevated flares for more than 15 minutes. Between 2218hrs and 2244 hrs on 18 June 2017 smoke was emitted from emission point A04, which exceeded Ringelmann Shade 2 for more than 15 minutes. This is a breach of Condition 4.1.1.

SEPA Officers investigated the incident and as a result identified that this was due to a lack of steam supply to the flare.

I must advise you that this letter constitutes a final warning. Any further/continued contravention of the above legislation is likely to result in enforcement action being taken against you by SEPA. Such enforcement action could include the submission of a report to the Procurator Fiscal recommending prosecution, and such a report may include the incident(s) referred to in this letter.

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact Ian Brocklebank at SEPA's Edinburgh Office telephone 0131 273 7250.

Yours faithfully

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ringelmann charts (BS 2742) are used to assess smoke emissions and compare the darkness of smoke with standard shades of grey on a scale of 0 (white) to 5 (black).

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