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Dear Mr Hercus

**Pollution Prevention and Control Act 1999
The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2010, as amended
Lennox Belstead, 308 Sheldrake Drive, Ipswich, IP2 9LF**

Further to my inspection of the above premises on 5th February 2014, I regret to inform you that there were areas of non-compliance which urgently need to be addressed.

You will find enclosed a Requisition for Information in relation to the annual solvent inventory that you are obliged to submit. Our records show that the most recent submission was 2010. Please be aware that non-submission of these documents is considered to be a breach of your permit. I note that these inventories have been required of you by my colleague on several occasions.

The permit requires a fully documented maintenance schedule, testing and repair work log and training record, none of which were available at the time of the visit.

The empty solvent containers should be sealed after emptying to minimise emissions from residues during storage prior to disposal. Where possible, empty containers should be returned to supplier.

Similarly, it was noted that the general house-keeping of the premises was poor. This should be addressed as it may have the potential to lead to breaches of the permit.

There was a strong smell of solvent around the machine area which we determined to be a leak of perchlorethylene from the unit. You are required to ensure that the spill is cleaned up adequately and the cause of the leak established as soon as possible. I trust by now you have contacted an engineer to remedy the problem. I also suggest that a suitable and sufficient spillage clean up kit is made available on site.

Under the risk based method for permitted activities, your installation has been assessed as MEDIUM risk. This will affect the frequency of inspections and the annual subsistence charge.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me on 433039.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Louise Burns'.

Louise Burns
Environmental Health Officer
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