

Friday, 05 July 2024

Dear Neighbour,

SAFETY INFORMATION

I am writing on behalf of Exolum Pipeline System Ltd., the owner of Backford North Petroleum Storage Depot (PSD). Backford North PSD operates in compliance with the Control of Major Accident Hazard (COMAH) Regulations 2015. As the duty holder for Backford North PSD, we are required to contact you to ensure that you are notified about the risks associated with our business activities at Backford North PSD and to advise you of the actions to take in the unlikely event of a major accident there.

I have enclosed a Safety Advice document which explains how you would be alerted of a major accident at our Backford North PSD site and what you should do. This document is important for your safety. Please read it carefully and keep it in a safe place where you can quickly and easily refer to it. Please ensure that all members of your household are informed. If this is a business address, please also inform all employees. I have also enclosed information about our business activities and their associated risks. If you vacate this residential or business property, please leave this letter and the enclosed documents for the new occupants.

We take great care to ensure accidents do not happen. We have detailed procedures and work practices to ensure safe operation and we are continuously striving to improve our standards. In the unlikely event of a major accident, we will activate our emergency plans to counter its effects. The local authority has also prepared an external emergency response plan to mitigate the consequences of an accident. Further support arrangements are in place with Cheshire West and Chester Council.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter and the enclosed documents. Should you have any questions or concerns after reading these materials, please do not hesitate to contact me at the address below.

Yours faithfully

Alan Edwards NWE HSSE Lead Exolum Pipeline System Ltd.

Enc: Background Information Document (2 pages), Safety Advice Document (2 pages).