Conclusions on BAT from the Emissions from Storage BAT Reference Document

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The 'Conclusions on BAT from the Emissions from Storage BAT Reference Document' is a horizontal BREF as it addresses the storage and the transfer/handling of liquids, liquefied gases and solids regardless of the sector or industry.

In this case, you are required to identify the Conclusions on BAT <u>relevant</u> to your installation. Please use the '**Scope**' box to describe the relevant activities/processes that come within the scope of this BREF and clearly identify the Conclusions on BAT (sections and subsections) that are '**Not Applicable**'.

For each applicable BAT, in the following table, state the status; **'Yes'** or **'Will be'** as appropriate in the **'State whether it is in place or state schedule for implementation**' box. The use of each of these terms is described below.

Information on compliance in the **`Applicability Assessment**' box should include, where applicable, the following:

- (i) Identification of the relevant process/ activity or individual emission points that the BAT requirement applies to at your installation;
- (ii) Where BAT is to use one or a combination of listed techniques, specify the technique(s) implemented/proposed at your installation to achieve the BAT; and
- (iii) A comment on how the requirements are being met or will be met, e.g., a description of the technology/operational controls/management proposed to meet the requirements.

Use of terms:

- (a) **'Yes**' To be entered where the installation is currently complaint with this BAT requirement.
- (b) 'Will be' To be entered where a further technique is required to be installed to achieve compliance with the BAT requirement. In this case you must also specify the date by which the installation will comply with the BAT Conclusion requirement.

Please refer to the EPA BAT Guidance Note(s) for BAT associated emission levels. EPA BAT Guidance Notes are the reference for setting emission limit values (without prejudice to the requirements of environmental quality standards).

BAT Guidance Notes are available on the EPA website.

Conclusions on BAT from the Emissions from Storage BAT Reference Document (extracts)

The full and complete Emissions from Storage BAT reference document (July 2006) is available at the EIPPC Bureau website: http://eippcb.jrc.ec.europa.eu/reference/

<u>SCOPE</u>

Identify here the particular processes and activities at the installation that come within the scope of the conclusions on BAT from the Emissions from Storage BAT reference documents (BREF).

Conclusions on BAT	Applicability Assessment (describe how the technique applies or not to your installation)	State whether it is in place or state schedule for implementation
5.1 Storage of liquids and Liquefied gases		
5.1.1.1 General principles to prevent and reduce emissions		
 BAT 1. BAT for a proper design is to take into account at least the following: the physico-chemical properties of the substance being stored how the storage is operated, what level of instrumentation is needed, how many operators are required, and what their workload will be how the operators are informed of deviations from normal process conditions (alarms) how the storage is protected against deviations from normal process conditions (safety instructions, interlock systems, pressure relief devices, leak detection and containment, etc.) what equipment has to be installed, largely taking account of past experiences of the product (construction materials, valve quality, etc.) 	Applicable	Yes

• which maintenance and inspection plan needs to be implemented and how to ease		
the maintenance and inspection work (access, layout, etc.)		
 how to deal with emergency situations (distances to other tanks, facilities and to 		
the boundary, fire protection, access for emergency services such as the fire brigade,		
etc.).		
BAT 2.	Applicable	Yes
BAT is to apply a tool to determine proactive maintenance plans and to develop risk-		Leak Detection
based inspection plans such as the risk and reliability based maintenance approach;		installed on new units
see Section 4.1.2.2.1.		
BAT3.	Applicable	Yes
BAT is to locate a tank operating at, or close to, atmospheric pressure aboveground.		Housing units require
However, for storing flammable liquids on a site with restricted space, underground		underground tanks
tanks can also be considered. For liquefied gases, underground, mounded storage or		
spheres can be considered, depending on the storage volume.		
BAT 4.	Not Applicable	
BAT is to apply either a tank colour with a reflectivity of thermal or light radiation of		
at least 70 %, or a solar shield on aboveground tanks which contain volatile		
substances, see Section 4.1.3.6 and 4.1.3.7 respectively.		
BAT 5.	Applicable	No Agitation
BAT is to abate emissions from tank storage, transfer and handling that have a		
significant negative environmental effect, as described in Section 4.1.3.1		
BAT 6.	Not Applicable	
On sites where significant VOC emissions are to be expected, BAT includes calculating		
the VOC emissions regularly.		
BAT 7.	Applicable	Yes
BAT is to apply dedicated systems; see Section 4.1.4.4.		
5.1.1.2 Tank specific considerations		
Open top tanks	Not Applicable	
BAT 8.		
If emissions to air occur, BAT is to cover the tank by applying:		
• a floating cover, see Section 4.1.3.2		
• a flexible or tent cover, see Section 4.1.3.3, or		

• a rigid cover, see Section 4.1.3.4.		
Additionally, with an open top tank covered with a flexible, tent or a rigid cover, a		
vapour treatment installation can be applied to achieve an additional emission		
reduction, see Section 4.1.3.15. The type of cover and the necessity for applying the		
vapour treatment system depend on the substances stored and must be decided on a		
case-by-case basis.		
BAT 9.	Not Applicable	
To prevent deposition that would call for an additional cleaning step, BAT is to mix		
the stored substance (e.g. slurry), see Section 4.1.5.1.		
External floating roof tank	Not Applicable	
BAT 10.		
The BAT associated emission reduction level for a large tank is at least 97 %		
(compared to a fixed roof tank without measures), which can be achieved when over		
at least 95 % of the circumference the gap between the roof and the wall is less than		
3.2 mm and the seals are liquid mounted, mechanical shoe seals.		
BAT 11.	Not Applicable	
BAT is to apply direct contact floating roofs (double-deck), however, existing non-		
contact floating roofs (pontoon) are also BAT. See Section 3.1.2. A dome can be BAT		
for adverse weather conditions, such as high winds, rain or snowfall. See		
Section 4.1.3.5.		
BAT 12.	Not Applicable	
For liquids containing a high level of particles (e.g. crude oil), BAT is to mix the stored		
substance to prevent deposition that would call for an additional cleaning step, see		
Section 4.1.5.1.		
Fixed roof tanks	Not Applicable	
BAT 13.		
For the storage of volatile substances which are toxic (T), very toxic (T+), or		
carcinogenic, mutagenic and reproductive toxic (CMR) categories 1 and 2 in a fixed		
roof tank, BAT is to apply a vapour treatment installation.		
BAT 14.	Not Applicable	
For other substances, BAT is to apply a vapour treatment installation, or to install an		
internal floating roof (see Sections 4.1.3.15 and 4.1.3.10 respectively). Direct contact		
floating roofs and non-contact floating roofs are BAT.		

BAT 15.	Not Applicable	
For tanks $< 50 \text{ m}^3$, BAT is to apply a pressure relief valve set at the highest possible		
value consistent with the tank design criteria.		
BAT 16.	Not Applicable	
For liquids containing a high level of particles (e.g. crude oil) BAT is to mix the stored		
substance to prevent deposition that would call for an additional cleaning step, see		
Section 4.1.5.1.		
Atmospheric horizontal tanks	Not Applicable	
BAT 17.		
For the storage of volatile substances which are toxic (T), very toxic (T+), or CMR		
categories 1 and 2 in an atmospheric horizontal tank, BAT is to apply a vapour		
treatment installation.		
BAT 18.	Not Applicable	
For other substances, BAT is to do all, or a combination, of the following techniques,		
depending on the substances stored:		
 apply pressure vacuum relief valves; see Section 4.1.3.11 		
• up rate to 56 mbar; see Section 4.1.3.11		
 apply vapour balancing; see Section 4.1.3.13 		
 apply a vapour holding tank, see Section 4.1.3.14, or 		
• apply vapour treatment; see Section 4.1.3.15.		
The selection of the vapour treatment technology has to be decided on a case-by-		
case basis.		
Pressurised storage	Not Applicable	
BAT 19.		
BAT for draining depends on the tank type, but may be the application of a closed		
drain system connected to a vapour treatment installation, see Section 4.1.4. The		
selection of the vapour treatment technology has to be decided on a case-by-case		
basis.		
Lifter roof tanks	Not Applicable	
BAT 20.		
For emissions to air, BAT is to (see Sections 3.1.9 and 4.1.3.14):		
 apply a flexible diaphragm tank equipped with pressure/vacuum relief valves, or 		
 apply a lifter roof tank equipped with pressure/vacuum relief valves and connected 		

to a vapour treatment installation.		
The selection of the vapour treatment technology has to be decided on a case-by-		
case basis.		
Underground and mounded tanks	Not Applicable	
BAT 21.		
For the storage of volatile substances which are toxic (T), very toxic (T+), or CMR		
categories 1 and 2 in an underground or mounded tank, BAT is to apply a vapour		
treatment installation.		
BAT 22.	Not Applicable	
For other substances, BAT is to do all, or a combination, of the following techniques,		
depending on the substances stored:		
 apply pressure vacuum relief valves; see Section 4.1.3.11 		
 apply vapour balancing; see Section 4.1.3.13 		
 apply a vapour holding tank, see Section 4.1.3.14, or 		
• apply vapour treatment; see Section 4.1.3.15.		
The selection of the vapour treatment technology has to be decided on a case-by-		
case basis.		
5.1.1.3 Preventing incidents and (major) accidents		
BAT 23.	Applicable	Will be
BAT in preventing incidents and accidents is to apply a safety management system as		Procedures to be
described in Section 4.1.6.1.		updated to reflect
		licence requirements
BAT 24.	Applicable	Will be
BAT is to implement and follow adequate organisational measures and to enable		Procedures to be
training and instruction of employees for safe and responsible operation of the		updated to reflect
installation as described in Section 4.1.6.1.1.		licence requirements
BAT 25.	Applicable	Yes
BAT is to prevent corrosion by:		
 selecting construction material that is resistant to the product stored 		
 applying proper construction methods 		
• preventing rainwater or groundwater entering the tank and if necessary, removing		
water that		
has accumulated in the tank		

 applying rainwater management to bund drainage applying preventive maintenance, and where applicable, adding corrosion inhibitors, or applying cathodic protection on the inside of the tank. 		
 BAT 26. Additionally for an underground tank, BAT is to apply to the outside of the tank: a corrosion-resistant coating plating, and/or a cathodic protection system. 	Not Applicable	Tank construction in line with Department of Agriculture, Food and The Marine Specifications.
BAT 27.		
 BAT is to prevent stress corrosion cracking (SCC) by: stress relieving by post-weld heat treatment, see Section 4.1.6.1.4, and applying a risk based inspection as described in Section 4.1.2.2.1. 	Remaining Not Applicable Section Highlighted – Applicable	N/a Leak detection system integrated into construction of new units
BAT 28.	Applicable	Will Be
 BAT is to implement and maintain operational procedures – e.g. by means of a management system – as described in Section 4.1.6.1.5, to ensure that: high level or high pressure instrumentation with alarm settings and/or auto closing of valves is installed proper operating instructions are applied to prevent overfill during a tank filling operation, and sufficient ullage is available to receive a batch filling. 		To be managed in line with E.P.A. requirements on other similar sites, including high level alarms / indicators.
BAT 29. BAT is to apply leak detection on storage tanks containing liquids that can potentially cause soil pollution.	Applicable	Leak detection to be installed under all new structures.
BAT 30. BAT is to achieve a 'negligible risk level' of soil pollution from bottom and bottom- wall connections of aboveground storage tanks. However, on a case-by-case basis, situations might be identified where an 'acceptable risk level' is sufficient.	Not Applicable.	
BAT 31. BAT for aboveground tanks containing flammable liquids or liquids that pose a risk for	Not Applicable	

significant soil pollution or a significant pollution of adjacent watercourses is to		
provide secondary containment, such as:		
• tank bunds around single wall tanks; see Section 4.1.6.1.11		
double wall tanks; see Section 4.1.6.1.13		
• cup-tanks; see Section 4.1.6.1.14		
double wall tanks with monitored bottom discharge; see Section 4.1.6.1.15.		
BAT 32.	Not Applicable	
For building new single walled tanks containing liquids that pose a risk for significant		
soil pollution or a significant pollution of adjacent watercourses, BAT is to apply a full,		
impervious, barrier in the bund, see Section 4.1.6.1.10.		
BAT 33.	Not Applicable	
For existing tanks within a bund, BAT is to apply a risk-based approach, considering		
the significance of risk from product spillage to the soil, to determine if and which		
barrier is best applicable. This risk-based approach can also be applied to determine if		
a partial impervious barrier in a tank bund is sufficient or if the whole bund needs to		
be equipped with an impervious barrier. See Section 4.1.6.1.11.		
BAT 34.	Not Applicable	
For chlorinated hydrocarbon solvents (CHC) in single walled tanks, BAT is to apply		
CHC-proof laminates to concrete barriers (and containments), based on phenolic or		
furan resins. One form of epoxy resin is also CHC-proof. See Section 4.1.6.1.12.		
BAT 35.	Not Applicable	Manure torage tanks
BAT for underground and mounded tanks containing products that can potentially		constructed to Dept.
cause soil pollution is to:		Of Agriculture, Food
 apply a double walled tank with leak detection, see Section 4.1.6.1.16, or 		and The Marine
• to apply a single walled tank with secondary containment and leak detection, see		Specifications.
Section 4.1.6.1.17.		
BAT 36.	Not Applicable	
For toxic, carcinogenic or other hazardous substances, BAT is to apply full		
containment.		
5.1.2. Storage of packaged dangerous substances		
BAT 37.	Not Applicable	Not Stored on-site
BAT in preventing incidents and accidents is to apply a safety management system as	••	
described in Sections 4.1.6.1.		

The minimum level of BAT is to assess the risks of accidents and incidents on the site		
using the five steps described in Section 4.1.6.1		
BAT 38.	Not Applicable	Not Stored on-site
BAT is to appoint a person or persons who is or are responsible for the operation of		
the store.		
BAT 39.	Not Applicable	Not Stored on-site
BAT is to provide the responsible person(s) with specific training and retraining in		
emergency procedures as described in Section 4.1.7.1 and to inform other staff on		
the site of the risks of storing packaged dangerous substances and the precautions		
necessary to safely store substances that have different hazards.		
BAT 40.	Not Applicable	Not Stored on-site
BAT is to apply a storage building and/or an outdoor storage area covered with a		
roof, as described in Section 4.1.7.2. For storing quantities of less than 2500 litres or		
kilograms dangerous substances, applying a storage cell as described in Section		
4.1.7.2 is also BAT.		
BAT 41.	Not Applicable	Not Stored on-site
BAT is to separate the storage area or building of packaged dangerous substances		
from other storage, from ignition sources and from other buildings on- and off-site by		
applying a sufficient distance, sometimes in combination with fire-resistant walls.		
BAT 42.	Not Applicable	Not Stored on-site
BAT is to separate and/or segregate incompatible substances. For the compatible and		
incompatible combinations see Annex 8.3.		
BAT 43.	Not Applicable	Not Stored on-site
BAT is to install a liquid-tight reservoir according to Section 4.1.7.5, that can contain		
all or a part of the dangerous liquids stored above such a reservoir. The choice		
whether all or only a part of the leakage needs to be contained depends on the		
substances stored and on the location of the storage (e.g. in a water catchment area)		
and can only be decided on a case-by-case basis.		
BAT 44.	Not Applicable	Not Stored on-site
BAT is to install a liquid-tight extinguishant collecting provision in storage buildings		
and storage areas according to Section 4.1.7.5. The collecting capacity depends on		
the substances stored, the amount of substances stored, the type of package used		
and the applied fire-fighting system and can only be decided on a case-by-case basis.		

BAT 45.	Not Applicable	Not Stored on-site
BAT is to apply a suitable protection level of fire prevention and fire-fighting		
measures as described in Section 4.1.7.6. The appropriate protection level has to be		
decided on a case-by-case basis in agreement with the local fire brigade.		
BAT 46.	Not Applicable	Not Stored on-site
BAT is to prevent ignition at source as described in Section 4.1.7.6.1.		
5.1.3 Basins and lagoons		
BAT 47.	Not Applicable	No external storage
Where emissions to air from normal operation are significant, e.g. with the storage of		tanks
pig slurry, BAT is to cover basins and lagoons using one of the following options:		
• a plastic cover; see Section 4.1.8.2		
• a floating cover; see Section 4.1.8.1, or		
 only small basins, a rigid cover; see Section 4.1.8.2. 		
Additionally, where a rigid cover is used, a vapour treatment installation can be		
applied to achieve an extra emission reduction, see Section 4.1.3.15. The need for		
and type of vapour treatment must be decided on a case-by-case basis.		
BAT 48.	Not Applicable	
To prevent overfilling due to rainfall in situations where the basin or lagoon is not		
covered, BAT is to apply a sufficient freeboard, see Section 4.1.11.1.		
BAT 49.	Not Applicable	
Where substances are stored in a basin or lagoon with a risk of soil contamination,		
BAT is to apply an impervious barrier. This can be a flexible membrane, a sufficient		
clay layer or concrete, see Section 4.1.9.1		
5.2 Transfer and handling of liquids and liquefied gases		
5.2.1 General principles to prevent and reduce emissions		
BAT 50.	Applicable	Yes
BAT is to apply a tool to determine proactive maintenance plans and to develop risk-		
based inspection plans such as, the risk and reliability based maintenance approach;		
see Section 4.1.2.2.1.		
BAT 51.	Applicable	Leak Detection under
For large storage facilities, according to the properties of the products stored, BAT is		all new structures.
to apply a leak detection and repair programme. Focus needs to be on those		

situations most likely to cause emissions (such as gas/light liquid, under high pressure		
and/or temperature duties). See Section 4.2.1.3.		
BAT 52.	Not Applicable	
BAT is to abate emissions from tank storage, transfer and handling that have a		
significant negative environmental effect, as described in Section 4.1.3.1.		
BAT 53.	Applicable	Yes
BAT in preventing incidents and accidents is to apply a safety management system as		
described in Section 4.1.6.1.		
BAT 54.	Applicable	Yes
BAT is to implement and follow adequate organisational measures and to enable the		
training and instruction of employees for safe and responsible operation of the		
installation as described in Section 4.1.6.1.1.		
5.2.2 Considerations on transfer and handling techniques		
5.2.2.1 Piping		
BAT 55.	Applicable	Will be
BAT is to apply aboveground closed piping in new situations, see Section 4.2.4.1. For		
existing underground piping it is BAT to apply a risk and reliability based maintenance		To be considered upon
approach as described in Section 4.1.2.2.1.		the installation of any
		new infrastructure.
BAT 56.	Not Applicable	
BAT is to minimise the number of flanges by replacing them with welded connections,		
within the limitation of operational requirements for equipment maintenance or		
transfer system flexibility, see Section 4.2.2.1.		
BAT 57.	Not Applicable	
BAT for bolted flange connections (see Section 4.2.2.2.) include:		
 fitting blind flanges to infrequently used fittings to prevent accidental opening 		
 using end caps or plugs on open-ended lines and not valves 		
 ensuring gaskets are selected appropriate to the process application 		
 ensuring the gasket is installed correctly 		
 ensuring the flange joint is assembled and loaded correctly 		
• where toxic, carcinogenic or other hazardous substances are transferred, fitting		
high integrity gaskets, such as spiral wound, kammprofile or ring joints.		

BAT 58.	Applicable	Yes
BAT is to prevent corrosion by:		
 selecting construction material that is resistant to the product 		
 applying proper construction methods 		
 applying preventive maintenance, and 		
 where applicable, applying an internal coating or adding corrosion inhibitors. 		
BAT 59.	Not Applicable	
To prevent the piping from external corrosion, BAT is to apply a one, two, or three		
layer coating system depending on the site-specific conditions (e.g. close to sea).		
Coating is normally not applied to plastic or stainless steel pipelines. See Section		
4.2.3.2.		
5.2.2.2 Vapour treatment		
BAT 60.	Not Applicable	
BAT is to apply vapour balancing or treatment on significant emissions from the		
loading and unloading of volatile substances to (or from) trucks, barges and ships. The		
significance of the emission depends on the substance and the volume that is		
emitted, and has to be decided on a case-by-case basis. For more detail see Section		
4.2.8.		
5.2.2.3 Valves		
BAT 61.	Not Applicable	
BAT for valves include:		
 correct selection of the packing material and construction for the process 		
application		
 with monitoring, focus on those valves most at risk (such as rising stem control 		
valves in continual operation)		
 applying rotating control valves or variable speed pumps instead of rising stem 		
control valves		
 where toxic, carcinogenic or other hazardous substances are involved, fit 		
diaphragm, bellows, or double walled valves		
• route relief valves back into the transfer or storage system or to a vapour treatment		
system.		
5.2.2.4 Pumps and compressors		

BAT 62.	Not Applicable	
The following are some of the main factors which constitute BAT:		
• proper fixing of the pump or compressor unit to its base-plate or frame		
having connecting pipe forces within producers' recommendations		
• proper design of suction pipework to minimise hydraulic imbalance		
• alignment of shaft and casing within producers' recommendations		
• alignment of driver/pump or compressor coupling within producers'		
recommendations when fitted		
correct level of balance of rotating parts		
• effective priming of pumps and compressors prior to start-up		
• operation of the pump and compressor within producers' recommended		
performance range (The optimum performance is achieved at its best efficiency		
point.)		
• the level of net positive suction head available should always be in excess of the		
pump or compressor		
• regular monitoring and maintenance of both rotating equipment and seal systems,		
combined with a repair or replacement programme.		
BAT 63.	Not Applicable	
BAT is to use the correct selection of pump and seal types for the process application,		
preferably pumps that are technologically designed to be tight such as canned motor		
pumps, magnetically coupled pumps, pumps with multiple mechanical seals and a		
quench or buffer system, pumps with multiple mechanical seals and seals dry to the		
atmosphere, diaphragm pumps or bellow pumps. For more details see Sections		
3.2.2.2, 3.2.4.1 and 4.2.9.		
BAT 64.	Not Applicable	
BAT for compressors transferring non-toxic gases is to apply gas lubricated		
mechanical seals.		
BAT 65.	Not Applicable	
BAT for compressors, transferring toxic gases is to apply double seals with a liquid or		
gas barrier and to purge the process side of the containment seal with an inert buffer		
gas.		
BAT 66.	Not Applicable	
In very high pressure services, BAT is to apply a triple tandem seal system.		

5.2.2.5 Sampling connections		
BAT 67. BAT, for sample points for volatile products, is to apply a ram type sampling valve or a needle valve and a block valve. Where sampling lines require purging, BAT is to apply closed-loop sampling lines. See Section 4.2.9.14.	Not Applicable	
5.3 Storage of solids		
5.3.1 Open storage		
BAT 68. BAT is to apply enclosed storage by using, for example, silos, bunkers, hoppers and containers, to eliminate the influence of wind and to prevent the formation of dust by wind as far as possible by primary measures. See Table 4.12 for these primary measures with cross-references to the relevant sections.	Not Applicable	•
BAT 69. BAT for open storage is to carry out regular or continuous visual inspections to see if dust emissions occur and to check if preventive measures are in good working order. Following the weather forecast by, e.g, using meteorological instruments on site, will help to identify when the moistening of heaps is necessary and will prevent unnecessary use of resources for moistening the open storage. See Section 4.3.3.1.	Not Applicable	
 BAT 70. BAT for long-term open storage are one, or a proper combination, of the following techniques: moistening the surface using durable dust-binding substances, see Section 4.3.6.1 covering the surface, e.g. with tarpaulins, see Section 4.3.4.4 solidification of the surface, see Table 4.13 grassing-over of the surface, see Table 4.13. 	Not Applicable	
 BAT 71. BAT for short-term open storage are one, or a proper combination, of the following techniques: moistening the surface using durable dust-binding substances, see Section 4.3.6.1 moistening the surface with water, see Sections 4.3.6.1 covering the surface, e.g. with tarpaulins, see Section 4.3.4.4. 	Not Applicable	

5.3.2 Enclosed storage		
BAT 72.	Applicable	Yes
BAT is to apply enclosed storage by using, for example, silos, bunkers, hoppers and		
containers. Where silos are not applicable, storage in sheds can be an alternative.		
This is, e.g. the case if apart from storage, the mixing of batches is needed.		
BAT 73.	Applicable	Yes
BAT for silos is to apply a proper design to provide stability and prevent the silo from		
collapsing. See Sections 4.3.4.1 and 4.3.4.5.		
BAT 74.	Applicable	Yes
BAT for sheds is to apply proper designed ventilation and filtering systems and to		
keep the doors closed. See Section 4.3.4.2.		
BAT 75	Not Applicable	
BAT is to apply dust abatement and a BAT associated emission level of $1 - 10 \text{ mg/m}^3$,		
depending on the nature/type of substance stored. The type of abatement technique		
has to be decided on a case-by-case basis. See Section 4.3.7.		
BAT 76.	Not Applicable	
For a silo containing organic solids, BAT is to apply an explosion resistant silo (see		
Section 4.3.8.3), equipped with a relief valve that closes rapidly after the explosion to		
prevent oxygen entering the silo, as described in Section 4.3.8.4.		
5.3.4 Preventing incidents and (major) accidents		
BAT 77.	Applicable	Yes
BAT in preventing incidents and accidents is applying a safety management system as		
described in Section 4.1.7.1.		
5.4 Transfer and handling of solids		
5.4.1 General approaches to minimise dust from transfer and		
handling		
BAT 78.	Not Applicable	
BAT is to prevent dust dispersion due to loading and unloading activities in the open		
air, by scheduling the transfer as much as possible when the wind speed is low.		
However, and taking into account the local situation, this type of measure cannot be		
generalised to the whole EU and to any situation irrespective of the possible high		

costs. See Section 4.4.3.1.		
BAT 79.	Not Applicable	
When applying a mechanical shovel, BAT is to reduce the drop height and to choose		
the best position during discharging into a truck; see Section 4.4.3.4.		
BAT 80.	Not Applicable	
BAT then is to adjust the speed of vehicles on-site to avoid or minimise dust being		
swirled up; see Section 4.4.3.5.2.		
BAT 81.	Not Applicable	
BAT for roads that are used by trucks and cars only, is applying hard surfaces to the		
roads of, for example, concrete or asphalt, because these can be cleaned easily to		
avoid dust being swirled up by vehicles, see Section 4.4.3.5.3. However, applying hard		
surfaces to the roads is not justified when the roads are used just for big shovel		
vehicles or when a road is temporary.		
BAT 82.	Not Applicable	
BAT is to clean roads that are fitted with hard surfaces according to Section 4.4.6.12.		
BAT 83.	Not Applicable	
Cleaning of vehicle tyres is BAT. The frequency of cleaning and type of cleaning facility		
applied (see Section 4.4.6.13) has to be decided on a case-by-case basis.		
BAT 84.	Not Applicable	
Where it neither compromises product quality, plant safety, nor water resources, BAT		
for loading/unloading drift sensitive, wettable products is to moisten the product as		
described in Sections 4.4.6.8, 4.4.6.9 and 4.3.6.1. Risk of freezing of the product, risk		
of slippery situations because of ice forming or wet product on the road and shortage		
of water are examples when this BAT might not be applicable.		
BAT 85.	Not Applicable	
For loading/unloading activities, BAT is to minimise the speed of descent and the free		
fall height of the product; see Sections 4.4.5.6 and 4.4.5.7 respectively. Minimising		
the speed of descent can be achieved by the following techniques that are BAT:		
 installing baffles inside fill pipes 		
• applying a loading head at the end of the pipe or tube to regulate the output speed		
 applying a cascade (e.g. cascade tube or hopper) 		
 applying a minimum slope angle with, e.g. chutes. 		
BAT 86.	Not Applicable	

To minimize the free fall beight of the product, the outlet of the discharger should		
To minimise the free fall height of the product, the outlet of the discharger should reach down onto the bottom of the cargo space or onto the material already piled up.		
Loading techniques that can achieve this, and that are BAT, are:		
height adjustable fill pipes height adjustable fill tubes, and		
height adjustable fill tubes, and height adjustable accorde tubes		
• height adjustable cascade tubes.		
These techniques are BAT, except when loading/unloading non drift sensitive		
products, for which the free fall height is not that critical.		
5.4.2 Considerations on transfer techniques		
BAT 87.	Not Applicable	
For applying a grab, BAT is to follow the decision diagram as shown in Section 4.4.3.2		
and to leave the grab in the hopper for a sufficient time after the material discharge.		
BAT 88.	Not Applicable	
BAT for new grabs, is to apply grabs with the following properties (see Section		
4.4.5.1):		
 geometric shape and optimal load capacity 		
• the grab volume is always higher than the volume that is given by the grab curve		
 the surface is smooth to avoid material adhering, and 		
 a good closure capacity during permanent operation. 		
BAT 89.	Not Applicable	
For all types of substances, BAT is to design conveyor to conveyor transfer chutes in		
such a way that spillage is reduced to a minimum. A modelling process is available to		
generate detail designs for new and existing transfer points. For more details see		
Section 4.4.5.5.		
BAT 90.	Not Applicable	
For non or very slightly drift sensitive products (S5) and moderately drift sensitive,		
wettable products (S4), BAT is to apply an open belt conveyor and additionally,		
depending on the local circumstances, one or a proper combination of the following		
techniques:		
lateral wind protection, see Section 4.4.6.1		
 spraying water and jet spraying at the transfer points, see Sections 4.4.6.8 and 		
4.4.6.9, and/or		
• belt cleaning, see Section 4.4.6.10.		

BAT 91.	Not Applicable	
For highly drift sensitive products (S1 and S2) and moderately drift sensitive, not		
wettable products (S3) BAT for new situations, is to:		
apply closed conveyors, or types where the belt itself or a second belt locks the		
material (see Section 4.4.5.2), such as:		
pneumatic conveyors		
 trough chain conveyors 		
• screw conveyors		
• tube belt conveyor		
loop belt conveyor		
double belt conveyor		
or to apply enclosed conveyor belts without support pulleys (see Section 4.4.5.3),		
such as:		
aerobelt conveyor		
low friction conveyor		
• conveyor with diabolos.		
The type of conveyor depends on the substance to be transported and on the		
location and has to be decided on a case-by-case basis.		
BAT 92.	Not Applicable	
For existing conventional conveyors, transporting highly drift sensitive products (S1		
and S2) and moderately drift sensitive, not wettable products (S3), BAT is to apply		
housing; see Section 4.4.6.2. When applying an extraction system, BAT is to filter the		
outgoing air stream; see Section 4.4.6.4.		
BAT 93.	Not Applicable	
To reduce energy consumption for conveyor belts (see Section 4.4.5.2), BAT is to		
apply:		
 a good conveyor design, including idlers and idler spacing 		
 an accurate installation tolerance, and 		
 a belt with low rolling resistance. 		