

Development Services

Abricon has over 25 years of experience in providing site assessment and investigative services for industrial and commercial developments. Established as a specialist company providing soil and groundwater services, our expertise has broadened to provide a full range of development services, working on projects throughout Europe.

At the development stage we offer strategic planning and EIA/SEIA services, PPC support for industrial facilities and Brownfield and remediation services for developments based on former industrial sites. Committed to sustainable development, our expertise extends beyond site location and infrastructure development of the facility to include energy management and efficiency of the building or process and process engineering advice for BAT reviews and process optimisation.

All services will be provided in a phased approach with regular client review of the findings and discussion of the potential impacts upon future work scopes and development issues.

Initial Site Appraisal will involve document reviews, site reconnaissance and interviews with current and past employees and national and local government officials. The process will be focused towards identification of potential risks and liabilities coupled with assessment and ranking of issues identified. Results will be presented in terms of the relative impact that potential liabilities could have on the value of the project, future business or future operational costs of the business or project.

INTRUSIVE SITE ASSESSMENTS

Our team of experienced staff will design and manage investigative programmes where required, to evaluate sub-surface conditions and to assess potential liabilities. Investigations are designed to maximise cost efficient data acquisition and minimise client liability.

RISK MANAGEMENT

Abricon will support clients to minimise the commercial impact of environmental liabilities, by developing effective ways to manage the risk posed to human health, the environment, buildings, property, and business values. We aim to provide our clients with the information that they need to make informed decisions regarding safe, reliable and cost-effective solutions, to manage environmental liabilities and to gain and maintain regulatory compliance.

PLANNING AND PERMITTING SUPPORT

Much of the above will form the cornerstone of the submissions which may be required to obtain necessary planning permissions (including an Environmental Impact Statement) or operating licences (such as IPPC permits, waste management licences).

INFRASTRUCTURE AND PROCESS DEVELOPMENT

On a Greenfield site the constraints to development will be driven by environmental and geotechnical concerns and the likely impacts of future operations on the environment and surrounding site users. Abricon has the experience to integrate the management of planning and permitting considerations with effective site planning and process engineering. Through contacts in the development and

construction industries we are able to provide advice on all aspects of site development to provide integrated and sustainable design solutions.

The considerations of a Greenfield site will apply to development on Brownfield sites. In the latter the additional difficulty of mitigating building and ground contamination issues and associated adverse impacts have to be managed. Such challenges offer the potential for cost savings to the overall development cost through lower initial purchase price and site specific design of remediation solutions. Recycling of building materials and optimisation of the re-use of site materials are key aspects of our sustainable development approach.

On the process engineering side, Abricon will apply its skills to support optimum energy use, emissions control and waste treatment.

Your reputation and the success of your project are as important to us, as they are to you. Your cost savings are our future. Whatever the stage of your development project, Abricon is available to support you.

