



2010 Air Quality Progress Report for East Lothian Council

In fulfillment of Part IV of the Environment Act 1995
Local Air Quality Management

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Executive Summary

This report presents the results of the Progress Report of local air quality within the East Lothian Council area. The Progress Report represents the second step in the current round of the management of local air quality, as required by Part IV of the Environment Act, 1995.

Progress Reports are required in the intervening years between the three-yearly Updating and Screening Assessment reports. Their purpose is to maintain continuity in the Local Air Quality Management process. Although not intended to be as detailed as the Updating and Screening Assessments, if the Progress Report identifies the risk of exceedence of an Air Quality Objective, the Local Authority should undertake a Detailed Assessment immediately.

The results of the Progress Report indicate that current Air Quality Objectives are being complied with. Furthermore, the Detailed Assessment of Biomass combustion that was required to assess nitrogen dioxide and PM10 levels associated with the Biomass unit located at Queen Margaret University, Musselburgh concluded that relevant Air Quality Objectives would not be exceeded.