

Notice: BN9 0AB, C D Jordan & Son Limited: environmental permit issued

The Environment Agency publish permits that they issue under the Industrial Emissions Directive (IED).

This decision includes the permit and decision document for:

- Operator name: C D Jordan & Son Limited
- Installation name: European Metal Recycling
- Permit number: EPR/KP3594HB/V011

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Watson MP, Labour's Shadow Secretary of State for Culture, Media and Sport, commenting on a letter accusing the BBC of "pessimism" and "bias" in its coverage of Brexit, said:

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politicians sometimes dislike the way some stories are covered, but we should never seek to interfere with the independence of the BBC by publicly accusing it of bias and making implicit threats about its future.

"Theresa

May and Karen Bradley must make clear their commitment to the independence of the BBC and distance themselves from attacks on it by politicians who have an agenda the BBC does not and should not share."

BBC and Brexit

I signed the letter about BBC coverage of Brexit which was published today. On Radio 4 there is a never ending repeat of the same tired old story that some people think Brexit will damage the economy sometime soon, whilst ignoring all the evidence that the economy has been quite unaffected by the Brexit vote so far. There are all too many pieces trying to whip up criticism of possible changes post Brexit, and practically nothing on what are all the opportunities for improvement once we take control of our own money and law making.

I look forward to a few months when they explore the upsides as thoroughly as they have explored the downsides. Is the BBC really happy with the way EU tariffs discriminate against the agricultural products from poorer countries outside the Customs Union? Do they think the Common Fishing Policy has been a commercial success and an environmental triumph? I would be happy to offer some balance to their coverage, if only they would let me make the case for the things we can change for the better once we are out.

Digital radios

There are a few cases of newer technology that is not as good as older technology. I need to mention digital radio.

Like everyone I was made to go out and buy replacement digital radios when they cut off the old broadcasting system. They said they would be better. I was supplied with a digital radio in my most recent car. They are worse than the ones they replaced, as well as being dearer. Nor was it environmentally friendly to have to ditch all the older radios which still worked fine all the time there was a signal for them to pick up.

There are places where my car radio now cuts out in the middle of busy areas because reception is poor. I used to get uninterrupted reception in these locations on the old system. The home radio needs to be switched on two to three times before it will work. It does not give you instant reception with a simple turn on/off button as the old radio did.

There is one room in the house where I cannot get good reception, and can only get some signal by balancing the radio high on a bookcase and adjusting the way it is pointing from time to time. When leaving the garage the car radio repeats itself.

In another room reception varies depending on where a person is in relation to the radio.

Whilst most modern technology is so much better than last century, digital radio is temperamental, poor quality and frustrating to the listener.

Girl rents over 900 taxis to propose

A love message is posted on a taxi's top light on March 16 in Zhoushan.

"Zhang Jianfeng, I want to marry you, do you dare to marry me?" This love message and a group of pictures posted by a girl in Zhoushan, a small city in Southeast China, became an internet sensation recently.

On March 16, a girl spent over 10,000 yuan (US\$1450) to advertise on more than 900 taxis between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. in Zhoushan, to propose to her boyfriend.

Mr. Yuan is the manager of an advertising company which runs the advertisements on the top lights of taxis in Zhoushan. According to him, the girl works in Ningbo and her boyfriend works in Zhoushan. They met each other in Zhuhai.

They then came to the park near the sea and lit dozens of candles. "I am ready, will you marry me?" said the girl. "I want to marry you. Please marry me!" replied her boyfriend. Friends from both sides witnessed the romantic moment.

This is not the first time that taxi top lights have been used to send love messages in the city. On June 25 last year, a man posted a love message to his girlfriend on taxi top lights. The message read: "I will remember you when it is rainy, Fang Xiaojie, be with me please!" The love message shined on the taxi top light for ten days.

However, these two advertisements are different. The advertisement posted on March 16 was displayed for two hours exclusively, while the advertisement posted on June 25 alternated with other advertisements for ten days.

Nowadays, young lovers are bold and open in China. A growing number of young lovers use modern media to express their feelings and even to propose to their lovers.