Assessment of Pottery from the Brecon to Tirley Gas Pipeline (BRT44)

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A single sherd of pottery was recovered from Plot 66/11, Site 13, on the Brecon to Tirley gas pipeline.

Description

The sherd, from context 34000, is a small fragment of a press-moulded slipware vessel decorated with white slip trailed lines but without any evidence for combing.

Rectangular and circular dishes of this type were produced at several centres in England in the 18th century. Given the location of the findspot, then either Bristol or the Staffordshire potteries are the most likely sources. The lack of combing suggests that this vessel may have been one of the later examples, dating to the mid to late 18th century.

Assessment

The sherd is of no intrinsic interest and has no stratigraphic context (it comes from topsoil).

Appendix 1

| class | Trench | Context | Cname | Form | Part | Nosh | NoV | Weight | Description |
|---------|--------|---------|-------|------|------|------|-----|--------|--|
| POTTERY | 2 | 34000 | STCO | DISH | BS | 1 | 1 | 3 | WHITE SLIP TRAILED OVER DARK BROWN SLIP;NO COMBING |

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