

Update on Regulation of Orica Botany Groundwater Clean Up Project

Groundwater Community Liaison Committee

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Overview of Presentation

- **Contaminated Sites**
 - **Ongoing Regulation of the Project**
 - **Former Chlor Alkali Plant**
- **Sydney Industry**
 - **Update on Environment Protection Licence compliance and related matters**

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Ongoing Regulation of the Project

- Orica has submitted a draft VMP to DECCW for review and DECCW is finalising comments.
- Content of VMP includes:
 - Maintenance of hydraulic containment;
 - Ongoing monitoring activities and review of HHRA; and
 - Ongoing research into remediation technologies.

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Former Chlor Alkali Plant

- DECCW's Contaminated Site Section has reviewed Orica's scope of works to address mercury contamination and provided comments.
- We understand that Orica is in the process of preparing a separate VMP for mercury. If approved by DECCW, the VMP will be the key regulatory instrument for the mercury clean up and management.

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Environment Protection Licence

- EPA currently processing a Notice which will vary EPL 2148:
 - Align wording of EPL and CPWE project Approval;
 - Amend timetable for CPWE works; and
 - Add new PRP – implement options report related to discharge temperature.
- 2008/2009 Licence Annual Return submitted – 8 non-compliances.

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Groundwater Injection and Recovery (GIR)

- Orica has written to DECCW presenting results of GIR trial to date and seeking extension of trial.
- DECCW reviewing report and considering request for extension with a view to permitting full scale works if trial results are satisfactory.

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Deed of Cross Guarantee

- **Change to the Deed of Cross Guarantee - DECCW sought further advice on the shareholder transfer of Orica IC Assets in relation to EPL condition E7: Financial Assurance.**
- **Orica's advice states the Financial Assurance will be unaffected.**