Pollution Incident Response Plan (PRIMP)

Abattoir and Yarrandale

OBJECTIVE

For Fletcher to understand and meet its obligations under the Legislation Sec 153 A of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 (POEO Act 1997)

By Maintaining, Operating and Testing this Pollution Incident Response Plan (PRIMP) Fletcher will achieve its Legal obligations and minimise any pollution incident. The PRIMP works hand in hand with the Environmental Management Plan (EMP) and the Work Health and Safety Management System (WHSMS)

PROCEDURES

Minimise the risk of creating a Pollution Risk or Incident by

- Identifying risks
- Identifying actions to minimise and manage the risks

Have clear and effective notification, action and timely communication to

- Notify the correct people
- Warn the correct people
- Provide updates
- Have correctly trained Staff
- Have the correct incident management information

Water, Air, Noise and Land Pollution can be caused by activities that FIE carryout and are managed by the EMP and WHSMS. (This PRIMP will focus mainly on accidental or uncontrolled issues or emergency situation in relation to pollution).

A pollution incident is an incident or set of circumstances during or as a consequence of which there is likely to be a leak, spill or other escape or deposit of a substance, as a result of which pollution has occurred, is occurring or is likely to occur.

It includes an incident or set of circumstances in which a substance has been placed or disposed of on the premises, but it does not include an incident or set of circumstances involving only the emission of any noise.

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NOTIFICATION

A pollution incident is required to be reported to the EPA if there is a risk of 'material harm to the environment', which is defined in section 147 of the POEO Act 1997

- 1. Harm to the environment is material if
 - a) It involves actual or potential harm to the health or safety of human beings or to ecosystems that is not trivial, or
 - b) It results in actual or potential loss or property damage of an amount, or amounts in aggregate, exceeding \$10,000 and
- 2. Loss includes the reasonable costs and expenses that would be incurred in taking all reasonable and practicable measures to prevent, mitigate or make good harm to the environment.
- ☑ Notify your direct Supervisor or the Emergency Response Team Chief Warden.
- ☑ It is the responsibility of the Emergency Response Team to notify Management.
- ☑ The EPA will need to be notified on the immediately via the

Promptly without delay, but not ahead of doing what is necessary to make the situation safe.

EPA Hotline: 131 555

 ☑ It is the responsibility of Management to contact neighbouring stakeholders using SOP-022-11 FIE Emergency Contact List of Neighbours.

INTERNAL REFERENCES

See WHSMS SOP-022 Planning for Emergencies for corresponding SOP, procedural flow charts and hazard risk ratings:

- SOP-022-F7 Chemical Spill Procedure
- SOP-022-F8 Fire Procedure
- SOP-022-F9 Gas Leak Procedure
- SOP-022-F10 Serious Injury or Illness Procedure

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