



ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION AUTHORITY

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Dear Chris

Orica Chlor Alkali Plant Modification Application 35/98 MOD 4

I refer to your correspondence to the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) on 15 May 2012 regarding the application by Orica Australia Pty Limited to the Department of Planning and Infrastructure to modify its Chlor Alkali Plant. The modification application is being assessed and determined under section 75W of the *Environment Planning Assessment Act 1979*.

The EPA has reviewed the report entitled: *Request to Modify Major Project DA. 35/98 Replacement Chlor Alkali Plant* by Parsons Brinkerhoff. It is currently proposed to replace two steel caustic tanks on the Orica premises. The caustic tank replacement project reduces the risk of soil contamination and stormwater pollution. The EPA has reviewed the information and determined that a consent condition is required: *The Applicant shall construct the spill containment area of the caustic tanks in accordance with: AS 3780-2008 The storage and handling of corrosive substances.*

The EPA also reminds the proponent that under its current Environment Protection Licence (EPL number 2148) it must meet licence conditions O1.1 and O2.2 at all times.

O1.1 Licensed activities must be carried out in a competent manner.

This includes:

- a) the processing, handling, movement and storage of materials and substances used to carry out the activity; and*
- b) the treatment, storage, processing, reprocessing, transport and disposal of waste generated by the activity.*

O2.1 All plant and equipment installed at the premises or used in connection with the licensed activity:

- a) must be maintained in a proper and efficient condition; and*
- b) must be operated in a proper and efficient manner.*

If you have any questions or concerns in relation to this matter please contact Mr Stuart Clark on (02) 9995 6835.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'James Goddwin', followed by the date '9/6/12'.

JAMES GODDWIN
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Environment Protection Authority