

# **Annual EMT**Remediation Review

15<sup>th</sup> August 2017

# Agenda

- Project background
- Review of Clean Up Plan implementation progress for each sub-area of the Site
- Questions and discussion



## Project background

- January 2016: Received Amended Clean Up Notice
- February 2016: Submitted CUP and Auditor Verification Report to EPA
- April 2016: EPA formally approved CUP
- April 2016: Submitted Annual Progress Report to EPA
- April 2016 Ongoing: Further assessments and remediation in accordance with the CUP
- April 2017: Submitted Annual Progress Report to EPA
- April 2017: Submitted updated Groundwater Management Plan (GWMP) to EPA



# Review of Clean Up Plan (CUP)

- The CUP is a 200+ page technical document to present and discuss:
  - Background, regulatory requirements and key drivers for clean up
  - Conceptual Site Model (CSM) unique to Altona site
  - Remediation objectives
  - Previous and current remediation measures
  - Remediation strategy, implementation and timetable
- The CUP includes key supporting documents, along with executive summaries of key source materials
- CUP was reviewed and endorsed by two EPA-appointed auditors
- Formally approved by EPA on April 2016
- Five yearly CUP review due in 2021



# CUP – Remediation Strategy Overview

- Reduce volume of heavily impacted soil and groundwater on site
- Reduce mass of contaminants flowing off site through groundwater
- Monitor new technological developments and adopt where appropriate
- Keep independent Auditors informed and involved as work progresses





# CUP Road Map

Area	Objective	#	Sub-Area	Main COPC	Stage	Technology
Onsite	Reduce mass discharge by > 1 OOM by 2021	1	Former Chloralkali Plant	Mercury	Remedial works out for tender	Soil stabilisation and off site disposal
		2	Repository	Mercury	Pre remedial studies	Soil stabilisation and off site disposal
		3	Western Source Area	Chlorinated Hydrocarbons	Remediation	EISB, SVE, ISCR
					Remedial pilot test	PRB
		4	Former Latex / Epoxy Plant	Chlorinated Hydrocarbons	Phase II ESA	
					Remediation	MNA
		5	Former Ethylene Dichloride Plant	Chlorinated Hydrocarbons	Remediation	EISB
					Remedial pilot test	RFH
		6	Waste Water Treatment Area	Chlorinated Hydrocarbons	Remediation	EISB, P&T
		7	Styrenics	Petroleum Hydrocarbons	Remediation	SVE, Soil disposal
		8	Balance of the site	TBC	Phase I ESA	
Offsite	Reduce contamination in groundwater by 1 OOM by 2036	9	Commercial	Chlorinated Hydrocarbons	Remediation	MNA
					Remediation system installation	EISB / Groundwater recirculation
		10	Residential	Chlorinated Hydrocarbons	Remediation	MNA



# Site Overview





#### 1 - Former Chloralkali Plant

#### • Status:

- Remedial technology selected (i.e., Soil stabilisation and offsite disposal)
- Remedial works out for tender
- Progress made since last EMT meeting:
  - Developed Remedial Action Plan (RAP) and received endorsement from the Statutory Auditors
  - Submitted RAP to EPA Victoria
  - Discussed RAP and process waste reclassification process with EPA Victoria
  - Initiated tender process
- Plans for 2017/2018
  - Award tender and commence remediation works





## 2 - Repository

- Status:
  - Pre-remedial studies
- Progress made since last EMT meeting:
  - Conducted assessments
  - Initiated soil stabilisation tests
- Plans for 2017/2018
  - Complete stabilisation tests
  - Undertake remediation in conjunction with the former CAP





#### 3 - Western Source Area

#### Status:

- Remediation in progress
- Technologies applied:
  - Enhanced In-Situ Bioremediation (EISB)
  - Soil Vapour Extraction (SVE)
  - In-Situ Chemical Reduction (ISCR)

## Progress made since last EMT meeting:

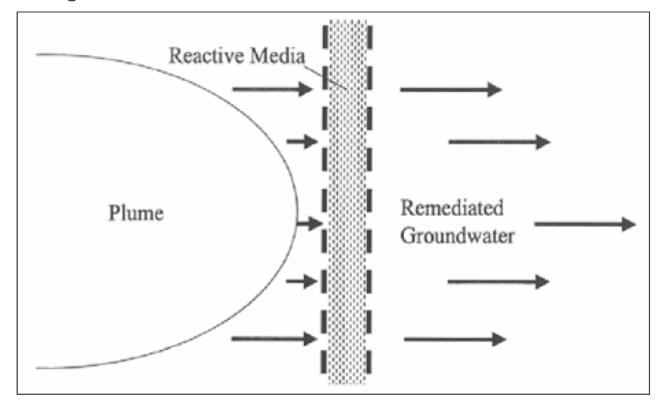
- Continued injections of Propylene Glycol (EISB)
- Continued groundwater monitoring activities
- Conducted further assessment to identify groundwater preferential pathways
- Recommissioned SVE system
- Commenced construction of a Permeable Reactive Barrier (PRB)





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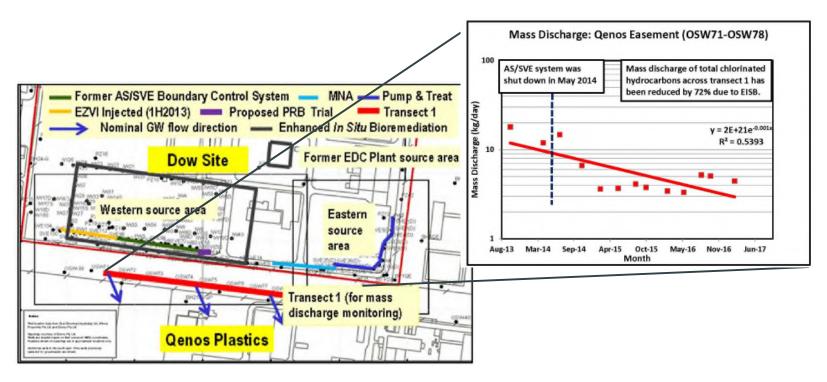
• A Permeable Reactive Barrier is a trench that has been filled with reactive material. The reactive materials treats the groundwater as it flows through the reactive material.





#### 3 – Western Source Area

- Progress towards CUP objectives:
  - Mass discharged across Transect 1 reduced by 72%
  - Approximately 3.5 tonnes of chlorinated hydrocarbons have been removed in the last six months





## 3 – Western Source Area

- Plans for 2017/2018
  - Continue groundwater monitoring
  - Continue remediation by EISB, ISCR and SVE
  - Complete construction of the PRB trial





## 4 – Former Latex / Epoxy Plant

#### • Status:

- Remediation in progress
- Technologies applied:
  - Monitored Natural Attenuation (MNA)
- Further assessments in progress
- Progress made since last EMT meeting:
  - Continued groundwater monitoring activities
  - Conducted further assessment to identify groundwater preferential pathways
- Plans for 2017/2018
  - Continue groundwater monitoring
  - Install additional monitoring wells



# 5 – Former Ethylene Dichloride Plant

#### Status:

- Remediation in progress
- Technology applied:
  - EISB
- Remedial pilot test in progress for Radio Frequency Heating (RFH)
- Progress made since last EMT meeting:
  - Continued injections of Propylene Glycol (EISB)
  - Continued groundwater monitoring activities
  - Conducted further assessments for the RFH pilot test and to identify groundwater preferential pathways
  - Commenced RFH Field Pilot Trial (i.e., design and procurement)



# 5 – Former Ethylene Dichloride Plant

- Plans for 2017/2018
  - Continue groundwater monitoring
  - Continue remediation by EISB
  - Complete RFH field pilot trial design and procurement
  - Install RFH system and commence operation



#### 6 – Waste Water Treatment Area

#### Status:

- Remediation in progress
- Technology applied:
  - EISB and Pump and Treat (P&)
- Progress made since last EMT meeting:
  - EISB is now extended into this area
  - Continued groundwater monitoring activities
  - Conducted further assessments to identify groundwater preferential pathways
- Plans for 2017/2018
  - Continue groundwater monitoring
  - Continue remediation by EISB





# 7 – Styrenics

#### • Status:

- Remediation in progress
- Technology applied:
  - SVE and Soil excavation and offsite disposal
- Progress made since last EMT meeting:
  - Conducted further assessments to identify groundwater preferential pathways
  - Removed and disposed shallow impacted soil
- Plans for 2017/2018
  - Continue removal of impacted soil



## 8 – Balance of the Site

#### • Status:

- Need to revisit the lower priority areas on Site
- Phase I assessment in progress
- Progress made since last EMT meeting:
  - Commenced desktop review (i.e., Phase I Environmental Site Assessment) to:
    - Develop a comprehensive history of the site
    - Identify any data gaps
- Plans for 2017/2018
  - Complete Phase I assessment



# Offsite area overview





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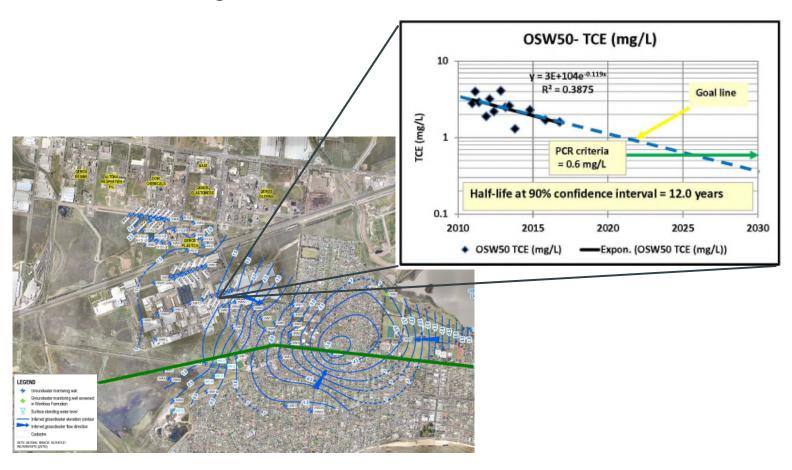
## • Status:

- Remediation in progress and upgrade design
- Technology applied:
  - MNA and EISB
- Progress made since last EMT meeting:
  - Continued groundwater monitoring activities
  - Develop RAP for a EISB groundwater recirculation system



## 9 – Offsite

- Progress towards CUP objectives:
  - Concentrations in groundwater continue to attenuate





## 9 – Offsite

- Plans for 2017/2018
  - Continue groundwater monitoring activities
  - Conduct further assessments, groundwater modelling and pumping tests
  - Complete design of the EISB groundwater recirculation system
  - Commence construction of the groundwater recirculation system



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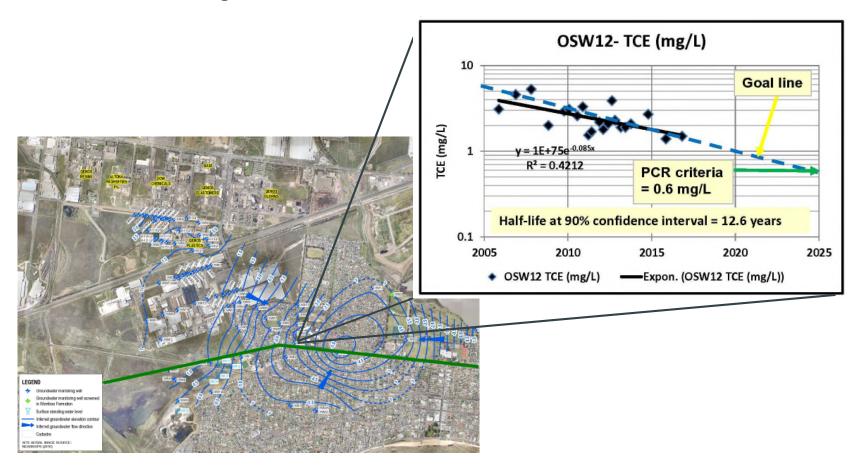
- Status:
  - Remediation in progress
  - Technology applied:
    - MNA
- Progress made since last EMT meeting:
  - Continued groundwater monitoring activities





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- Progress towards CUP objectives:
  - Concentrations in groundwater continue to attenuate





# **■ 10 – Offsite**

- Plans for 2017/2018
  - Continue groundwater monitoring activities





## Conclusions

- Divided the site into specific sub-areas for ease of management and communication
- Good progress on all implemented technologies
- Emerging technologies are being actively investigated and applied
- Meeting timelines to achieve CUP objectives

