



B20 on trial

Anglesea's mine fleet trials a new biodiesel fuel

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2010
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air

| Air Monitoring Stack Monitors | Average | Maximum |
|--|---------|---------|
| Opacity g/min 10-minute average | 0.072 | 0.193 |
| Stack SO2 kg/min 1-hour average Licence limit 100kg/min | 69.85 | 77.32 |

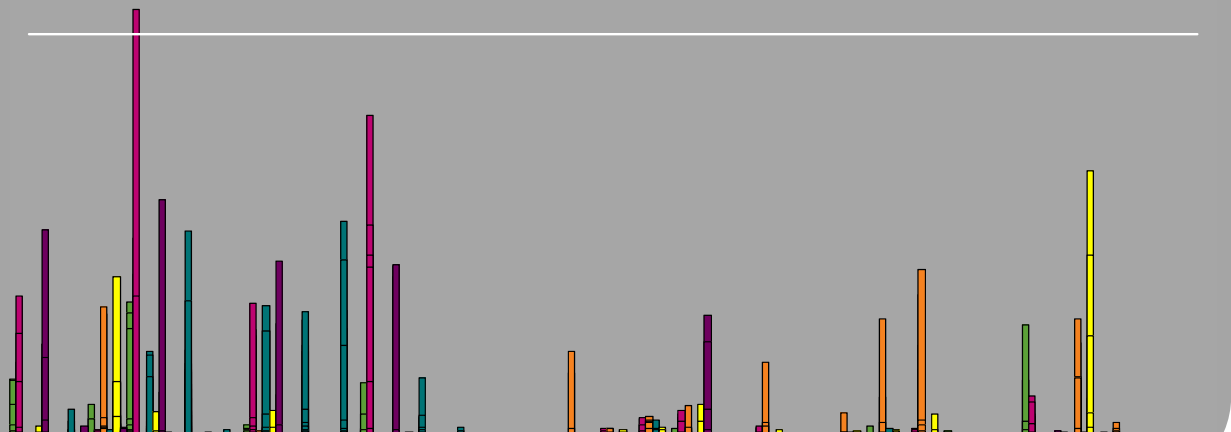
| Ambient Monitors SO ₂ 1 hour ppb | Average | Maximum |
|---|---------|---------|
| Community Centre | 1 | 57 |
| Primary School | 2 | 180 |
| Mt Ingoldsby | 2 | 71 |
| Scout Camp | 4 | 91 |
| Camp Wilkin | 1 | 112 |
| Camp Road | 1 | 100 |

Ambient Monitors SO₂ Maximum 1 hour averages (ppb)

| Date | 01 | 02 | 03 | 04 | 05 | 06 | 07 | 08 | 09 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 |
|----------------|----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|-----|----|----|----|
| Comm Centre | 24 | 1 | 14 | 57 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 23 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 5 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 47 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| Primary School | 59 | 1 | 3 | 180 | 0 | 0 | 56 | 0 | 0 | 135 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 8 | 11 | 1 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 17 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Mt Ingoldsby | 0 | 0 | 55 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 36 | 3 | 8 | 13 | 0 | 32 | 0 | 10 | 50 | 71 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 50 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| Scout Camp | 1 | 12 | 3 | 36 | 87 | 3 | 55 | 53 | 91 | 1 | 25 | 4 | - | - | - | 0 | 7 | - | - | - | 1 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | - | - | - |
| Camp Wilkin | 4 | 0 | 67 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 13 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 112 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Camp Road | 87 | 4 | 3 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 74 | 0 | 0 | 73 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 51 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

EPA Air Quality Objective 200

Alcoa Local Standard 170



Biodiesel trial

Alcoa Anglesea is trialling a soy-based biodiesel product to operate all of the major equipment at its coal mine in a bid to reduce greenhouse emissions across the site.

As part of Alcoa Anglesea's commitment to environmental improvements, the mine is undertaking a four-month trial of the diesel product for all of its earthmoving equipment fleet.

Biodiesel is a renewable alternative to petroleum based diesel fuel. It is manufactured from virgin vegetable oils such as soy and canola; tropical seeds such as palm and coconut oil; used cooking oils and animal fats.

High quality Biodiesel can be directly substituted for petroleum diesel. It is simple to use, non-toxic and essentially free of sulphur and aromatics.

Using a high quality Biodiesel will require no modifications to the engine or to existing storage and delivery infrastructure. Biodiesel is proven to reduce harmful emissions associated with petroleum diesel.

What is Soy biodiesel?

Soy biodiesel® is the direct result and by-product of soybean processing. It is made from soy oil removed as a by product during the processing of soybean into high-protein animal feed (soybean meal).

B100 Soy biodiesel is a 100% soy oil based product. Alcoa Anglesea is trialling B20 Soy diesel. This is a blend of 20 percent B100 Soy biodiesel and 80 percent Ultra low Sulphur Diesel. Soy biodiesel may be blended up to B20 while

remaining within the petroleum diesel specification. As a result this product still qualifies for all Commonwealth rebates.

Soy biodiesel (B100) has the potential to deliver substantial reductions in emissions:

- 95% elimination of sulphur dioxide
- 46% less carbon monoxide
- 68% less particulate matter
- 37% less un-burnt hydrocarbons

The product is also biodegradable, non-toxic and is a sustainable and renewable fuel source.

In addition to the environmental benefits of using B20 Soy diesel, there are numerous Health and Safety and Performance benefits associated with its use. These include:

- Classified as a Non-Hazardous Material
- Not classified as an eye or skin irritant
- Reductions in carcinogenic emissions
- Minimum flash point of 130°C
- Competitive fuel efficiency
- Improves lubricity and engine life
- Major reductions in smoke and particulate emissions
- Similar power and torque to ultra low sulphur diesel

Based on the 1.7 million litres of fuel used by Alcoa Anglesea for its mining operations each year, this would result in an offset of over 900 tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalents (CO₂-e).

If the trial is successful, the mine's equipment will permanently switch to B20 Soy diesel.

PLANT OF THE ANGLESEA HEATH

BLUNT EVERLASTING (*Argentipallium obtusifolium*)

Argentipallium...from Latin, *argenteus*, silver, and *pallium*, mantle, in reference to the silvery covering of fine hairs that covers the leaves and branches.

obtusifolium...from Latin, *obtus*, blunt, and *folium*, leaf, referring to the blunt leaves

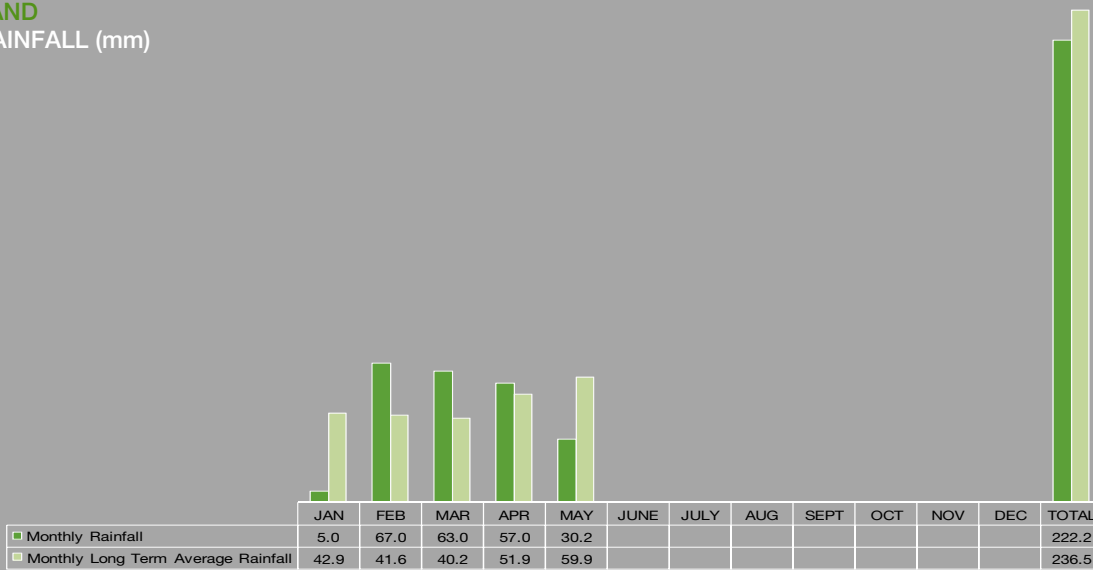
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| Size: | 10 - 30 cm high |
| Form: | twiggy multibranched perennial herb |
| Habitat: | widespread in sandy soils in heathland, mallee-heathland and stringybark woodland |
| Foliage: | leaves narrow-oblongate 0.4—2.5 cm long, 1—2 mm wide upper surface glabrous* + green lower surface silvery-white + woolly |
| Flowers: | daisy-like flowers with a central yellow button surrounded by white papery petals August to November |

*glabrous = smooth without hairs

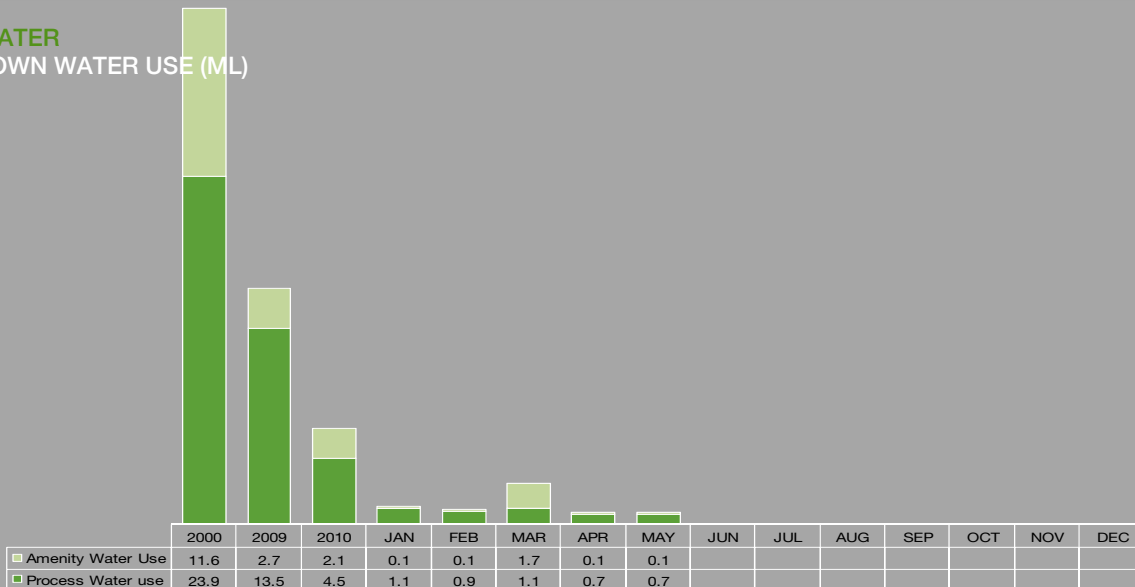
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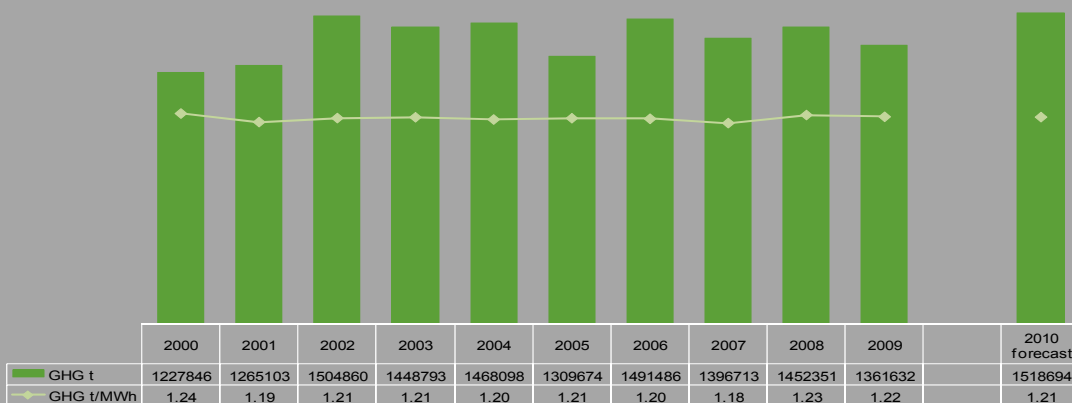
LAND
RAINFALL (mm)



WATER
TOWN WATER USE (ML)



AIR
GREENHOUSE GAS (GHG) TOTAL (Mt) & GHG EMISSION EFFICIENCY (t/mwH)



environmental improvement

| Environmental Management Targets | May | 2010 Total | 2010 Forecast | 2010 Target |
|--|-----|------------|---------------|-------------|
| Reportable Environmental Incidents | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Env Near Miss vs Env Incident Run Rate (ratio) | 1 | 4.8 | 54.8 | 2.5 |
| Monthly EHS ASAT Audit Completion (%) | 100 | 100 | 100 | 90 |

| Air Emission Targets | May | 2010 Total | 2010 Forecast | 2010 Target |
|---|------|------------|---------------|-------------|
| Ambient SO2 (no. readings > 200ppb) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Stack SO2 (no. hrs > 100kg/min) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| SO2 Load Reductions (lost MWh) | 18 | 61 | 146 | NA |
| GHG Efficiency (t CO2 e/MWh) | 1.21 | 1.21 | 1.21 | 1.20 |
| Opacity (10 min av > 0.25g/m3 norm ops) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| Water Targets | May | 2010 Total | 2010 Forecast | 2010 Target |
|-----------------|-----|------------|---------------|-------------|
| Town Water (ML) | 0.8 | 6.4 | 13.3 | 14.2 |
| Bore Water (ML) | 237 | 1306 | 3133 | 4000 |

| Waste Targets | May | 2010 Total | 2010 Forecast | 2010 Target |
|--|-----|------------|---------------|-------------|
| Waste to Landfill (t) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| Solid Prescribed Waste to Landfill (t) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

| Mine Rehabilitation Targets | 2010 Total | 2010 Target |
|--------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| 2010 Area to Clear (ha) | 0 | TBC |
| 2010 Area to Rehabilitate (ha) | 0 | TBC |

OUR ENVIRONMENT AND OUR EMPLOYEE

Hi Simon. Tell us a little about your role in securing a new supply of biodiesel.

As biodiesel is a relatively new product in Australia we needed to research the market to find potential suppliers who share our values and who were able to supply the product at a competitive price.

Why did our first supply of biodiesel end and what did we need to do before contracting another supplier?

The previous supplier withdrew from Victoria as their business became unsustainable and we ran into some quality issues during the final stages with them. As we use a large volume of fuel, the process steps required to contract a new supplier required significant detail to work through quality, price, taxation, legal and environmental aspects to ensure we achieved the right outcome.

What were some of the environmental considerations taken into account before contracting to a new supplier?

One of the key considerations was the type of 'feedstock' the product is made from, such as canola, used cooking oil, tallow or soy. We particularly wanted to avoid any products containing palm oil as these supplied often originate from clear felled rainforests where local orang-utan populations can be wiped out in the process.

... SIMON GANDOLFO

