Alcoa Anglesea Environmental Action Notice Status Report



1. Introduction

- Alcoa's objective for the Anglesea Power Station is to complete the environmental site remediation works
 consistent with the requirements of the National Environmental Protection Measure 1999 (Assessment of
 Site Contamination) (as amended 2013) (NEPM) and the final end land use strategy.
- Alcoa will ensure compliance to the requirements of the Environmental Action Notice EAN-00003349 (Notice) as issued to the location by the Environment Protection Authority Victoria (EPA) on 7 September 2022. The Notice requires the submission of six monthly reports updating EPA on how the clean up and ongoing management of the premises has been or is likely to be achieved to comply with the notice requirements. In the event of identifying any imminent risk to human health or the environment, Alcoa must notify EPA and advise what measures have been put in place to respond to such risks.

2. Environmental Performance

• No environmental non-compliance incidents recorded during the period.

3. Identified Imminent Risks

No imminent risks to human health or the environment identified during the period.

4. Recent Activities

- Since the completion of the environmental site assessment in 2021, works were completed in 2022 to further delineate the identified remediation areas. This work provided Alcoa with a better understanding of the volumes of impacted soils (dependent on end land use) requiring recovery and facilitated the development of the remediation scope of work for the engagement of a remediation contractor. Options for the soils post recovery are now being reviewed to determine whether onsite remediation and reuse or offsite treatment and/ or disposal is required.
- Subsequent to the development of the Power Station Remediation Action Plan (RAP); the environmental
 auditor prepared the Verification Report, which is currently being reviewed prior to submission to the EPA,
 consistent with the requirements set out in the Environmental Action Notice.
- The tendering process for the remediation work on the Power Station site commenced, with the Power Station RAP and the Acid Sulfate Soils Management Plan informing the proposal responses, which are being reviewed by Alcoa.
- The draft November 2022 Groundwater Monitoring Event (GME) onsite reports were received and
 reviewed by Alcoa's environmental consultants. The reports are now being finalised. The newly installed
 replacement groundwater monitoring well (MW28a) referenced in the previous update was sampled and
 the results have been incorporated into the draft November 2022 GME report.
- Construction of the cap on the Asbestos Landfill was completed, as overseen by the EPA Appointed
 Auditor for the landfill, consistent with the EPA approved design. The as-built cap construction report is
 now being prepared by Alcoa's landfill cap Construction Quality Assurance service provider.

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5. Planned Activities (1 June 2023 – 30 November 2023)

- The Power Station RAP and the Auditor Verification report will be submitted to EPA consistent with the requirements of the Notice.
- Alcoa will appoint a contractor for the onsite remediation works and commence remediation works consistent with the Power Station RAP.
- The November 2022 GME reports are expected to be finalised by Alcoa's environmental consultant for groundwater monitoring.
- Post Alcoa's review of the as-built Asbestos Landfill cap construction report; the Auditor for the landfill will review and verify the report. This will then be submitted to EPA Victoria.

6. Community Engagement

- During the period Alcoa continued to engage with the community and key stakeholders about the site's remediation activities.
- Community updates on site activities within the Power Station and the Mine were emailed to Alcoa's community database (1,100+ people) and published on the Alcoa website.
- Community Updates were published in 'Newsangle' the Anglesea Community House's quarterly newsletter which is distributed to the Anglesea community, and also published on the <u>Alcoa website</u>.
- Alcoa continued to brief Government agencies on the status of onsite activities.
- A copy of this report will be published on the <u>Alcoa website</u>.

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