



Regulatory Affairs Sub-Committee

Register of Regulatory Issues

No.	Issue Name	Priority	Description	Doc./Reg.Reference	Res.Authority	Weblink	Status of Issue
1	SEPP Land	Normal	Preventing and Managing Contaminated Land in Victoria	Preventing and Managing Contaminated Land, Pub 859, July 2002 Information Bulletin Introducing the SEPP).	EPA VIC	www.epa.vic.gov.au	Up for review in 2009.
2	Risk Assessment	Normal	The Roles of Risk Assessment in Contaminated Land Auditing raised by member - believes there is a case for bringing the application of risk assessment back to the auditing process.	The Roles of Risk Assessment in Contaminated Land Auditing		http://www.aclca.asn.au/	EPA is currently compiling a guidance document. A committee will be formed by EPA with the collaboration from industry representatives and auditors.
3	Asbestos	Normal	3. Asbestos. A workshop will be held later this year to look at approaches to the issue of asbestos in soil. The WA Health Dept advice (Nov 2007) has created some difficulty as it is not "harmonised" with the approaches in other jurisdictions (0.001% relative to 0.01% generally adopted elsewhere).	Draft Guidelines for the Assessment, Remediation and management of Asbestos Contaminated Sites in Western Australia	DOH WA	http://www.health.wa.gov.au/envirohealth/hazards/docs/DOH_Draft_Asbestos_Guidelines_Release_Document.pdf	A workshop was held by DOH in April 2008 and comment closed on 9 may 2008.

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4	NEPM review	Normal	HILs are being worked on by the NHMRC. Feedback to NEPC on these is likely to be 12 months away. Public consultation will follow. CSIRO is completing its review of EILs for metals. NEPC is considering whether the work is suitable for use in the NEPM. Current thinking in the Variation Team Working Group (made up of jurisdictional environmental and health reps) is that there may be two types of EILs, the first for a standard urban residential setting; the second for more sensitive ecosystem protection. This will probably be ready to go out for consultation early in 2009. Volatiles. Review report recommending adoption of a modified overseas model has been completed. A workshop with the Variation Team Working Group is planned for August 2008. Some consultancies are about to be offered; e.g. TPH, Mixtures.	Report of the Second Review of the National Environment Protection Council Acts (Commonwealth, State and Territory), PREPARED FOR THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION COUNCIL JOHN RAMSAY CONSULTING JUNE 2007	EPHC		Comments provided by subcommittee
5	AS4482.1	Low	Updated guidance on the sampling and investigation of contaminated sites	AS4482.1 (2005) Guide to the Sampling and investigation of Contaminated Sites	Standards Aus	http://www.saiglobal.com	completed
6	Treatment Facility	High	Disposal of hydrocarbon contaminated soils/wastes to Dutson Downs since Tullamarine Landfill has been closed.	Dutson Down is currently reviewing the acceptance of soil with impacts other than petroleum hydrocarbons.	EPA VIC	http://www.gippswater.com.au/Default.aspx?tabid=246	Ongoing
7	UPSS Guidelines	High	NSW Protection of the Environmental operations (Underground Petroleum Storage Systems) Regulations including; Adoption of leak prevention & detection systems, reporting & investigation of leaks and notification of councils when decommissioning UPSS sites. This regulation commenced on 1 June 2008.	NSW Protection of the Environmental operations (Underground Petroleum Storage Systems) Regulation	NSW EPA	http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/clm/upss.htm	In place. Commenced on 1 June 2008
8	Groundwater Mgmt	Normal	The Contaminated Land Management Regulation 1998 is due for automatic repeal on 1 September 2008. It is proposed that a new Regulation be made under the Contaminated Land Management Act 1997 (CLM Act) immediately following the repeal of the current Regulation.	Draft Contaminated Land Management Regulation 2008	NSW EPA	http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/clm/clmregris.htm	Draft Guidelines for comment. Submissions are due on 22 July 2008.

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9	DHS Childcare Guidelines		DHS guidelines for assessing soil in childrens services	- Assessing the soil in Children's services - Guidelines for Environmental Consultants. - Soil assessment guidelines - Soil Assessment Summary Report	DHS VIC	http://www.office-for-children.vic.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0003/226119/PN2006-13-Soil-assm-guidlines.pdf	Guidelines in place
10	Hazardous Waste Regulatio	High	EPA is engaging with industry,the community and any other interested stakeholders to hear your thoughts and ideas on how we manage hazardous wastes into the future and to secure the protection of the environment and human health in a way that is simple, safe, efficient, clear and transparent.		EPA VIC	http://epanote2.epa.vic.gov.au/EP/EPublications.nsf/2f1c2625731746aa4a256ce90001cbb5/010f29a02a99b9d2ca25742500064e54/\$FILE/1238.pdf	Ongoing

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