



HILLTOP MEATS PTY LTD

POLLUTION INCIDENT RESPONSE MANAGEMENT PLAN

1. Purpose and Background

This document has been prepared for Hilltop Meats Pty Ltd, at 13 Scenic Road on the northern outskirts of Young township, to comply with its obligations under the Protection of the Environment Legislation Amendment Act 2011 (POELA Act) and Environmental Protection Licence No. 2411.

In accordance with Part 3A, clause 98D of the Protection of the Environment Operations (General Amendment (Pollution Incident Response Management Plans) Regulation 2012, the following sections of the plan have been made publicly available.

This PIRMP document has been developed to detail the procedures for notification of pollution incidents resulting in or having the potential to cause material harm to the environment. The objectives of this plan are to:-

- Provide procedures to be followed in order to prevent or minimise the occurrence of pollution incidents
- Ensure timely and correct reporting of a pollution incident

It applies to two activities on site, meat processing and rendering of animal fats

2. Scope

This document covers the abattoir operated by Hilltop Meats Pty Ltd and applies to all activities, products and services on the Hilltop site

3. Legislative Requirements

Specific legislative requirements for the development and implementation of the PIRMP are provided in the following table.

Part 5.7A of the Protection of the Environment Operations Act 1997 (POEO Act)
Part 5.7A of the Protection of the Environment Legislation Amendment Act 2011 (POEOA Act)
The Protection of the Environment Operations (General) Amendment (Pollution Incident Response Management Plans) Regulation 2012
New South Wales Environmental Protection Licence (EPL) 2411

4. Requirements for Notification of a Pollution Incident

4.1 What must be notified

A pollution incident is required to be immediately notified if there is a risk of “material harm to the environment” defined under section 147 of the POEO Act;

Harm to the environment is material if;

- It involves actual or potential harm to the health or safety of human beings or;
- To ecosystems that is not trivial, or;
- It results in actual or potential loss of property damage of an amount, or;
- Amounts in aggregate, exceeding \$10,000 (or other amounts as is prescribed in the regulations)
- Loss includes the reasonable costs and expenses that would be incurred in taking all reasonable and practicable measures to prevent, mitigate or make good harm to the environment

4.2

If there is no immediate threat to property or human health, or once a call has been made to 000, the licence holder or agent, must notify the following relevant authorities;

Hilltops Shire Council 6380 1200
Environment Protection Agency 131 555
Murrumbidgee & Southern Public Health Unit 60808900
Work Cover Authority 131 050
NSW Fire Service 000

Complying with these notification requirements does not remove the need to comply with any other obligations for incident notification, for example , those that apply under other environment protection legislation or legislation administered by WorkCover NSW.

5.2 communicating with the local community

Communication and updates regarding pollution incidents will be undertaken in accordance with existing emergency response procedure, dependant on the nature and severity of any incident

5.2.1 Immediate Neighbours

In the event of a notifiable pollution incident and depending on the nature and severity of the incident, immediate neighbouring property owners will be contacted under direction of Emergency Services with immediate response information. Hilltop Meats has a register of neighbouring property owners.

5.2.2 Hilltop Meat contact Details

Contact details for Hilltop Meats are publicly available via local directories and the company's website www.hilltopmeats.com.au

The primary contact details at the Hilltop Meats are;

13 Scenic Rd Young NSW 2594
(02) 6384 1900 (24 Hours)