From: Page Joanne
Sent: Monday, 14 January 2013 10:08 AM
To: rayg@otechaustralia.com.au
CC: brentb@otechaustralia.com.au; Salomone Daniel
Subject: Show Cause Notice - Oil Technology Australia
Attachments: 2013 01 11 Show Cause Letter to OTech.pdf

Hi Ray,

I hope this email finds you well.

Please find attached a copy of a Show Cause Notice that the Department has sent today via registered post.

Please note that a response to the notice is due by close of business on the 23 January 2012.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.

Regards,
Jo

Joanne Page
Environmental Officer (Moreton Bay)
Environmental Services and Regulation
Southern Region
Department of Environment and Heritage Protection
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Enquiries: Joanne Page
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Our reference: STAT729 / CA26671

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14 January 2013

Department of
Environment and Heritage Protection

Director
Oil Technology Australia Pty Ltd
PO Box 139
DECEPTION BAY QLD 4508
Attention: Mr Raymond Georgey

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Dear Mr Georgey,

Re: Fire incident that occurred on 11 December 2012 at 6 Potassium Street, Narangba.

I refer to the fire incident that involved the release of contaminates at 6 Potassium Street, Narangba. The Department of Environment and Heritage Protection (EHP) reasonably believes that you have committed an offence against section 427 and section 440ZG of the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* (EP Act). EHP is therefore of the opinion that further enforcement action should be issued to you.

EHP reasonably believes that you have committed an offence by:

(1) Conducting a chapter 4 activity, being ERA 8 (3a) Chemical Storage, on Lot 732 on SP241692 without being a registered operator for the activity on the site.

and;

(2) Unlawfully depositing a prescribed water contaminant at a place, and in a way, so that the contaminant could reasonably be expected to wash, blow, fall or otherwise move into waters, a roadside gutter or stormwater drainage.

You are invited to show cause as to why penalty infringement notices should not be issued to you pursuant to sections 427 and 440ZG of the EP Act.

You may send written representations about this show cause notice to EHP at the following address:

John Harden
Manager (Moreton Bay)
Environmental Services and Regulation
Department of Environment and Heritage Protection
PO Box 1080
CABOOLTURE QLD 4510

Department of Environment and Heritage Protection
Level 4, 33 King St, Caboolture
PO Box 1080
CABOOLTURE QLD4510

Telephone (07) 5433 7731
Facsimile (07) 5433 7762
ABN 46 640 294 485

Your written representations must be received by EHP before close of business on **23 January 2012**.

If after considering all representations made by you about the show cause notice, EHP still believe it is appropriate to issue enforcement action, then the aforementioned notices will be issued to you. If no response to the show cause notice is received, EHP may consider pursuing further legal action.

Should you have any concerns or wish to discuss the matter raised in this letter please contact the project officer, Joanne Page, Environmental Officer on (07) 5433 7773.

Yours sincerely,

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From: Brent Bates [brentb@otechaustralia.com.au]
Sent: Friday, 21 December 2012 9:36 AM
To: ESNorth - Moreton Bay
CC: 'Simon Chenery'; 'Ray Georgey'
Subject: Notice - Your Ref. STAT729 / CA26671
Attachments: DEHP Letter 171212.pdf

Please find attached response to Notice issued 13th December 2012.

The original documents were hand delivered to Level 4, 33 King Street, Caboolture at 9:15am this morning.

Regards,

Brent Bates

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17th December 2012

Joanne Page
Department of Environment and Heritage Protection
PO Box 1080
Caboolture, QLD 4510

Dear Ms Page,

Re: Registration No: ENRE00580906 for lot 801 on SP138531

I refer to the Decision Notice Oil Technology Australia Pty Ltd (OTA) received from the Department of Environment and Heritage Protection (EHP) dated 13th December.

The Decision Notice requested OTA to answer five questions listed as dot points. Please find OTA's responses tabled below with detail provided as Attachment A.

I trust that by providing these answers we have complied with the requirements of the Decision Notice. If this is not the case, please advise us.

Information requested by Department of Environment and Heritage Protection	***Responses from Oil Technology Australia Pty Ltd***
A list of regulated wastes and potential contaminants, including volumes, stored in the building on the premises at the time of the incident.	No regulated wastes were stored within the building. A list of potential contaminants, as a result of the fire, is provided at attachment A. Attachment A lists the products and volumes stored within the shed.
A list of regulated wastes and potential contaminants, including volumes, not stored in the building on the premises at the time of the incident.	No regulated wastes were stored outside the building. No products which might provide potential contaminants, as a result of the fire, were stored outside the building.
A list of activities conducted on the premises.	The premises were used for the storage of oil products ready for sale, and the storage of empty packaging. Activities on site included the unloading and loading of trucks by forklift and order-picking from stock.

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Information requested by Department of Environment and Heritage Protection	*Responses from Oil Technology Australia Pty Ltd*
Has a Site Based Management Plan (SBMP) been developed for the site? If so, please provide an explanation of how the SBMP addresses the occurrence of a fire event.	No Site Based Management Plan (SBMP) has been developed for the site.
Please provide an explanation of why Oil Technology Australia Pty Ltd considers the premises not to be an extension of their licenced ERA site (Lot 801 on SP138531).	None of the activities covered by the four ERA (ERA7(2b), ERA7(5b), ERA56 and ERA57), for which the site at Lot 801 on SP138531 was licenced, were carried out on the site at which the fire occurred. The site, at which the incident occurred, was used as an external storage site only. The proximity to the licenced site was not considered, only the activities on site.

Yours faithfully,

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Ray Georgey
Managing Director
Oil Technology Australia Pty Ltd.

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From: Brent Bates [brentb@otechaustralia.com.au]
Sent: Friday, 21 December 2012 5:40 PM
To: Page Joanne
CC: rayg@otechaustralia.com.au; Salomone Daniel
Subject: Re: s451 Information Response

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Hi Joanne

I will provide clarification by email Thudsday 27th December. Hope this is OK.

Cheers

Brent

On Dec 21, 2012 3:26 PM, "Page Joanne" <Joanne.Page@ehp.qld.gov.au> wrote:

> Hi Ray and Brent,
>
> I hope this email finds you well.
>
> I can confirm that the Department has received you response to the s451 information notice. In order to proceed with our investigation, I ask that you provide further clarification for the following items:
>
> Attachment A provides a list of the stock lost in the Tasman Fire on 11 December 2012. The Department requires further clarification regarding the volumes and quantities of stock stored at the incident site. For example further clarification is requested for the stock items listed under the heading 'Pallecons (1,000-litre)'. Does the 300 in the quantity column for the first item (Premium CVT Fluid) under this heading indicate that there was 300 x 1,000L containers or 300L of this stock stored on the incident site?
>
> I ask that you provide further clarification for all stock items listed under each different heading in Attachment A.
>
> If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact me.
>
> Regards,
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> Jo
>
> **Joanne Page**
> Graduate Environmental Officer (Moreton Bay)

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From: Brent Bates [brentb@otechaustralia.com.au]
Sent: Thursday, 27 December 2012 7:41 AM
To: Page Joanne; rayg@otechaustralia.com.au
CC: Salomone Daniel
Subject: RE: s451 Information Response

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Hi Joanne

Please find attached an amended copy of the attachment submitted with our response to the S451 Information Notice.

Hopefully the clarity you require regarding volumes/quantities is now there, if not please don't hesitate to contact me again.

Regards,

Brent Bates

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Sent: Friday, 21 December 2012 3:27 PM
To: rayg@otechaustralia.com.au; brentb@otechaustralia.com.au
Cc: Salomone Daniel
Subject: s451 Information Response

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Regards,
Jo

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From: Lachlan McCulloch [Lachlan.McCulloch@moretonbay.qld.gov.au]
Sent: Tuesday, 22 January 2013 11:20 AM
To: Warren Doyle
CC: Kerry Myatt; Tim Ditchburn; Wesley Scriggins; Michael Taylor; Salomone Daniel; Page Joanne
Subject: RE: Tannery Fire
Attachments: Brisbane-20130121-00178.jpg; Brisbane-20130121-00179.jpg; Brisbane-20130121-00180.jpg; Brisbane-20130121-00181.jpg

Hi Warren,

Thank you for notifying the Environmental Health Department.

I have brought the matter to the attention of the Queensland Department of Environment & Heritage Protection (EHP). I explained to Daniel Salomone (EHP) that the drain outlets need to be sealed urgently, with wastewater to be contained on site. EHP will address the issue with the property owner today.

A Council Environmental Health Officer is on route to Narangba and will check the site.

Please feel free to contact me if you need further information or assistance.

Regards

Lachlan McCulloch
Principal Environmental Health Officer
Environmental Health Department
Moreton Bay Regional Council
Ph: (07) 3205 0555
www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au

From: Warren Doyle
Sent: Tuesday, 22 January 2013 10:46 AM
To: Lachlan McCulloch
Cc: Michael Ham; Tim Thompson
Subject: Tannery Fire

Hi Lachlan,

Please see attached photos from site opposite tannery on Boundary Road & Potassium St Narangba
As you can see this water is leeching out from a underground pipe which is part of an internal drainage system inside the property
I believe this would have resulted from rain we received on Sunday Night
The rain has got into his internal drainage system & this is where it disperses
These lines need to blocked at the source by the owner so this cannot continue
These drainage lines are in no way connected to our storm water system therefore pose no threat to our systems
But I believe they would be causing environmental issues for Stock lands the owners of the land across from the tannery

Regards

Warren Doyle

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