

## Pollution Incident Response Management Plan Borg Panels Oberon

A Pollution Incident Response Management Plan (PIRMP) must be prepared for all Projects based in NSW that hold an Environmental Protection Licence (EPL), or for any project if directed to prepare one by the EPA. This PIRMP has been prepared for Borg Panels Oberon and should be read in conjunction with the Borg Panels - Oberon Emergency Response Plan (SMS22401).

It is a requirement under Clause 98D of the Protection of the Environment Operation Amendment Regulations 2012 that certain sections of the Plan are made publicly available on the website within 14 days after being prepared and approved for issue/use. The sections are those that cover procedures for contacting the relevant authorities and communicating with the community.

Sections 1 & 2 of Borg Panels Pollution Incident Response Management Plan meet the requirements of Clause 98D and have been extracted and made available on the Borg Manufacturing website.

[www.borgmanufacturing.com.au/oberon-panels-site-information](http://www.borgmanufacturing.com.au/oberon-panels-site-information)

The objective of this PIRMP are to:

- Ensure comprehensive and timely communication about a pollution incident to staff at the premises, the Environment Protection Authority, Department of Planning and Environment and other relevant authorities specified in the POEO Act (such as local Councils, NSW Ministry for Health, SafeWork NSW, and Fire and Rescue Services NSW), and people outside the project who may be affected by the impacts of a pollution incident.

- Minimise and control the risk of a pollution incident associated with the construction and operation works at Borg Panels Oberon by requiring identification of risks and the development of planned actions to minimise and manage those risks.

Ensure that the PIRMP is properly implemented by trained staff, identifying persons responsible for enacting it and ensuring that the plan is regularly tested for accuracy, currency and suitability.

### 1) External Notification Protocol

The following authorities must be contacted in the order below immediately for pollution incidents that threaten or cause material harm to the environment.

**Table 1 External Notification Protocol**

Authority	Phone Number
Emergency Services – Fire and Rescue NSW Police NSW Ambulance Service	000*
<b>*Only ring 000 if the incident presents an immediate threat to human health or property and requires Emergency Services. If the incident does not require an initial combat agency or once the 000 call has been made, notify as listed below</b>	
EPA Pollution Hotline	131 555
Ministry of Health – Oberon District Hospital	6336 7200
SafeWork NSW	131 050
Local Authority – Oberon Council	6329 8100
Fire and Rescue	6336 0331 (when HAZMAT not required)
Secretary of the Department of Planning & Environment (DOP – Senior Planning Officer Industry Assessments)	02 9274 6386

When notifying authorities that a pollution incident has occurred, the following information must be provided:

1. The time, date, nature, duration and location of the incident
2. The location of the place where pollution is occurring or is likely to occur
3. The nature, the estimated quantity or volume and the concentration of any pollutants involved, if known
4. The circumstances in which the incident occurred (including the cause of the incident, if known)
5. The action taken or proposed to be taken to deal with the incident and any resulting pollution or threatened pollution, if known.

If information required in items 3, 4 and 5 are not known when the initial notification is made but becomes known afterwards, that information must be provided to the authority immediately after it becomes known.

## **2) Community Notification and Action Protocol**

Notification to any residents, businesses or other premises that may be affected by the pollution incident may include the following:

1. Details of the pollution incident and extent of impact (as known at the time)
2. Safety warnings and recommendations to prevent/minimise impacts, if required
3. Potential impacts on the operation of local businesses, if required.

In the event of a pollution incident which has the potential to impact the local community, the Shift Supervisor will notify the Facility Manger who will determine if community notification is required. **Emergency Flip Chart, SMS22403**, provides a detailed list of local business neighbours including contact numbers, which is to be referred to if notification is deemed necessary.

The following table lists the mechanisms to be followed in the event that a pollution incident has the potential to impact the surrounding community, in order to minimise the risk of harm.



**Table 2 Community Notification and Action Protocol**

Pollution Incident Scenario	Potential Impacts	What to do (response)	Who to Notify	When to notify	Communication Mechanism
Release of contaminated/ sediment laden surface water into Kings Stockyard Creek (KSC)	Pollution of Kings Stockyard Creek  Community complaints	Close penstock gate valves to shut down the stormwater system and notify Shift Supervisor and Environmental Coordinator  Environmental Coordinator to inspect and assess KSC and apply controls if applicable	Oberon Council	During response to incident	Telephone
Hydrocarbon/Chemical spill (including refuelling activities) entering stormwater drain and Kings Stockyard Creek (KSC)	Pollution of Kings Stockyard Creek  Exposure to chemicals  Community complaints	Bund/contain spill and block stormwater drain to prevent further pollution and notify Shift Supervisor and Environmental Coordinator  Close penstock gate valves to shut down the stormwater system and place and secure floating boom in swale to contain discharge  Environmental Coordinator to inspect and assess KSC and apply controls if applicable	Oberon Council	During clean-up of incident	Telephone
Failure at Water Treatment Plant (WTP) resulting in discharge to land &/or water	Pollution of surround land  Pollution of Kings Stockyard Creek	Close gate valves at swales to prevent further discharge from site and place and secure floating boom in swale to contain discharge  Notify Environmental Officer Water Treatment Plant and Environmental Coordinator  If off site discharge occurred, Environmental Coordinator to inspect and assess KSC and apply controls if applicable	Oberon Council Adjacent businesses	During clean-up of incident	Telephone Door knock
Emissions/Smoke leaving the site including dust during construction phases	Air quality issues  Loss of amenity  Community complaints	Cease work activity immediately and notify Shift Supervisor/Production Manager and Environmental Coordinator  Shut down relevant plant and investigate source of emission if safe to do so  Implement controls as described in Operational Air Quality Management Plan section 6 Management Measures	Oberon Council Adjacent residences/businesses Oberon High School Oberon Public School	Immediately where Community directly affected – where applicable, advise to close doors/windows and remain inside until advised otherwise	Telephone Email Door knock Letterbox drop