FW: BGA and biological testing for Hazelwood Cooling Pond

ICC-Hazelwood (Incident Control) Monday, 3 March 2014 3:21 PM Sent: RCC-GIP (Strategic Unit-Haz) **Importance:** High Hi Barry, Think this is somethign that you should be across. Cheers, Kristy From: SCC-Vic (SCT Executive Officer) Sent: Monday, 3 March 2014 2:02 PM To: RCC-GIP (Regional Controller - Mines Hazmat/Fire); ICC-Hazelwood (Incident Control) Cc: ESC-FSC (Craig Lapsley); Euan Ferguson; ESC-FSC (Tony Murphy); ESC-DEPI/NEO (Alan Goodwin); ESC-MFB (Peter Rau); ESC-SES (Trevor White) Subject: FW: BGA and biological testing for Hazelwood Cooling Pond FYI SCC-Vic (SCT Executive Officer) State Control Centre | 8 Nicholson Street East Melbourne Victoria 3002 Ph: (03) 9032-3600 | Fax: 1300 13 4488 | DX: 210098 Email: sccvic.eo@scc.vic.gov.au | Web: http://www.scc.vic.gov.au From: SCC-Vic (OH&S Executive Advisor) Sent: Monday, 3 March 2014 1:45 PM To: SCC-Vic (SCT Executive Officer) Cc: Jeff Green Subject: RE: BGA and biological testing for Hazelwood Cooling Pond Hello Could we please ensure that this information is understood clearly by the Hazelwood RCC and personnel on site. The following, is an extract of the below EMAIL. A preliminary of the supplied test reports shows the presence of > toxin producing cyanobacteria in the source water. In the first > instance it is important that all personnel with potential for contact > with the water should wear adequate PPE. Waterproof gloves should be > warm to avoid dermal contact and P2 face masks (or better) be worn > where any splashing, spraying, misting or aerosolisation of the water > can occur. > 2) Currently, the water body should be treated as not safe for > recreational use. > 3) I will provide a summary report to you on Wednesday 5/03/14.

Dr Richard Bentham

> Adjunct Associate Professor, Public Health Microbiology Faculty of

> 4) I will provide an interim health risk assessment and management > plan to you on Friday 07/03/14 pending further data collection.

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From: Jeff Green
Sent: Monday, 3 March 2014 11:59 AM
To: Jane Wadsley
Cc: 'Michael Sargeant'; SCC-Vic (OH&S Executive Advisor)
Subject: FW: BGA and biological testing for Hazelwood Cooling Pond
FYI
Regards
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----Original Message----
From: Robert Golec [mailto:RGolec@amcosh.com.au]
Sent: Monday, 3 March 2014 11:58 AM
To: Craig Brownlie; RCC-GIP (Strategic Unit-Haz)
Cc: Jeff Green; 'Michael.S@phm.org.au'
Subject: FW: BGA and biological testing for Hazelwood Cooling Pond
Importance: High
Greeting all,
Craig Brownlie (DIC) sent through on Saturday some microbiological testing
(E.Coli, enterococci, pseudomonas and cyanobacteria) results for the pondage area
which is being used as a source of fire fighting water. I have engaged Dr Richard
Bentham (Associate Professor, Public Health Microbiology Faculty of Science and
Engineering School of the Environment Flinders University) to review the results
as I felt I lacked the expertise to do so. Richard has had a preliminary look and
has preliminarily advised that persons contacting the water should wear
appropriate PPE as per his email below. The issue appears to be the
cyanobacterial counts as they indicate the potential presence of a blue-green
algal bloom and possibly associated toxins in the water.
Regards
Robert Golec
> ----Original Message----
> From: Richard Bentham [mailto:richard.bentham@flinders.edu.au]
> Sent: Monday, March 03, 2014 10:46 AM
> To: Robert Golec
> Subject: RE: BGA and biological testing for Hazelwood Cooling Pond
> Hi Rob,
> as discussed this morning I wish to confirm four items:
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> 1) A preliminary of the supplied test reports shows the presence of
> toxin producing cyanobacteria in the source water. In the first
> instance it is important that all personnel with potential for contact
> with the water should wear adequate PPE. Waterproof gloves should be
> warm to avoid dermal contact and P2 face masks ( or better) be worn
> where any splashing, spraying, misting or aerosolisation of the water
> can occur.
> 2) Currently, the water body should be treated as not safe for
> recreational use.
> 3) I will provide a summary report to you on Wednesday 5/03/14.
> 4) I will provide an interim health risk assessment and management
> plan to you on Friday 07/03/14 pending further data collection.
> cheers,
> Richard
> 'The essential things are always invisible to the eye' ~ St. Exupery
> Dr Richard Bentham
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> From: Robert Golec < RGolec@amcosh.com.au>
> Sent: Sunday, 2 March 2014 5:24 PM
> To: Richard Bentham
> Subject: FW: BGA and biological testing for Hazelwood Cooling Pond
> Richard,
> Please find attached the test results. Please treat these as
> confidential for the time being.
> Cheers
> Rob
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> Robert Golec
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> From: Craig Brownlie [C.Brownlie@cfa.vic.gov.au]
> Sent: Saturday, 1 March 2014 11:47 AM
> To: Robert Golec
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> Subject: FW: BGA and biological testing for Hazelwood Cooling Pond
> Robert,
> Can you please review and provide advice on the above reports.
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> Regards
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> Craig Brownlie
> Specialist Response Officer
> Fire & Emergency Management,
> CFA HQ 8 Lakeside Dve, Burwood East 3151
> T: 03 9262 8493 M: 0419 551 878 E:c.brownlie@cfa.vic.gov.au
> From: Martin OShaughnessy [mailto:Martin.OShaughnessy@epa.vic.gov.au]
> Sent: Friday, 28 February 2014 7:18 PM
> To: Craig Brownlie
> Cc: EPA Commander - Morwell Fire
> Subject: FW: BGA and biological testing for Hazelwood Cooling Pond
> Craig FYI. Happy to discuss.
> Martin O'Shaughnessy [EPA]
> From: Addis, Dave
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> om] >
> Sent: Friday, 28 February 2014 3:10 PM
> To: Martin OShaughnessy
> Subject: BGA and biological testing for Hazelwood Cooling Pond
> Martin,
> As discussed, please find attached the reports for 2014 for the
> biological and Blue Green Algae testing of the Hazelwood Cooling Pond.
> The first two reports are the monthly reports for the E.Coli,
> Enterococci and Pseudomonas Aeruginosa for January and February 2014
> while the others are the 2014 reports for Blue Green Algae.
> Regards,
> Dave Addis
> Environment Officer
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