

Assessment of Site Contamination

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PART 1 – GENERAL INFORMATION

NEPM Details

Title: National Environment Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure

Made by Council: 10 December 1999

Commencement Date: 22 December 1999 (advertised in *Commonwealth of Australia Gazette* No GN 51, 22 December 1999, p 4246)

NEPM Goal (or purpose)

The goal of the National Environment Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure is set out in clause 5(1) of the Measure as follows:

5(1) National environment protection goal

The purpose of the Measure is to establish a nationally consistent approach to the assessment of site contamination to ensure sound environmental management practices by the community which includes regulators, site assessors, environmental auditors, landowners, developers and industry.

Desired Environmental Outcomes

The desired environmental outcome of the National Environment Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure is set out in clause 5(2) of the Measure as follows:

5(2) Desired environmental outcome

The desired environmental outcome for this Measure is to provide adequate protection of human health and the environment, where site contamination has occurred, through the development of an efficient and effective national approach to the assessment of site contamination.

Evaluation Criteria

The assessment of the effectiveness of the National Environment Protection (Assessment of Site Contamination) Measure is based on the following criteria:

General Criteria (Specified in the NEPC Implementation Reporting Protocol)

- progress in implementing the NEPM
- compliance by parties bound by the NEPM with NEPM protocols and/or other NEPM reporting requirements
- progress toward achievement of the NEPM goal, the desired environmental outcomes and any NEPM standards
- issues arising that reflect on the efficiency and simplicity of NEPM administration.

Specific Criteria

No specific criteria are set out in the Measure.