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Premier Opens Qenos \$100m Altona Upgrade...

The Victorian Premier, the Hon. Steve Bracks, MP, was at Qenos Pty Ltd, Altona on May 19, 2006, to officially launch the company's newly converted SCAL-1 plant.

Qenos, Australia's sole polyethylene manufacturer, announced in April last year that their SCAL-1 plant in Altona would be converted to Ethane and LPG feedstock. The project was part of a major environmental and future direction strategy focussed on the long term supply of polyethylene products to the Australian market.

With the SCAL-1 plant now fully operational, the company's Chief Executive Officer, Mr Ross McCann said that completion of the conversion allows the company to maintain its position as the leader in Australia's polyethylene market. The conversion complements a similar conversion to the company's Olefines operation in Botany, NSW, in 1996 and strengthens its future as Australia's long-term polyethylene supplier.

"The newly converted SCAL-1 facility results in a significant contribution to the plant's safety and environmental commitments by reducing energy consumption and producing less greenhouse gases and solid waste," said Mr McCann.

"Over a period of five months, there were over 500 employees and contractors working on the conversion and through focus and effort from all involved the project was completed safely."



Premier Bracks shakes hands with ACNCG member, Paul Cassar, as Minister Haermeyer looks on.

Mr McCann thanked government, unions, community, regulatory authorities and industry contractor workforce for their support. "This project has demonstrated how through strong working relationships and aligned goals, outstanding results can be achieved."



"Qenos has an exciting future and this new facility enables a long-term focus for manufacturing in Altona," concluded Mr McCann.

The Premier, Steve Bracks, congratulated Qenos and its employees on the launch of the newly converted SCAL-1 plant.

"Qenos exemplifies the qualities which make Victoria's manufacturing sector the biggest and best in Australia," Mr Bracks said

"This major investment is a vote of confidence in Qenos' future, a vote of confidence in our highly skilled workforce and a vote of confidence in Melbourne's west."

The afternoon event was also attended by Victoria's Manufacturing Minister André Haermeyer and Education Minister and Local member for Altona, Lynne Kosky. Other local dignitaries, union officials and stewards, local community and regulatory authorities joined with Qenos employees to celebrate the launch.

A DVD produced by Qenos Olefins operator, Peter Jones, was featured at the event. The DVD highlights the SCAL-1 conversion throughout its construction phase and its progression toward completion. For interested students and residents, the DVD can be viewed at the Altona Library.



LtoR: Ross McCann, Minister André Haermeyer, Premier Steve Bracks and Minister Lynn Kosky.

Qenos Safety Campaign supports Western Chances and Royal Children's Cancer Centre...



LtoR: Mr David Miller, SCAL-1 Project Engineer for Qenos with Terry Bracks Chair of Western Chances, Mr David Ashley, Associate Professor from the Children's Cancer Centre and David Shaw, Project Director from Transfield Worley Services.

A major element of Qenos Turnaround and Conversion activities was to do it Safely. A SCAL-1 safety campaign was developed by Qenos and its contractors Transfield Worley Service and Collex. Money was raised by the combined employee and contractor workforce by demonstrating commitment to

safety and individual contributions throughout the construction period.

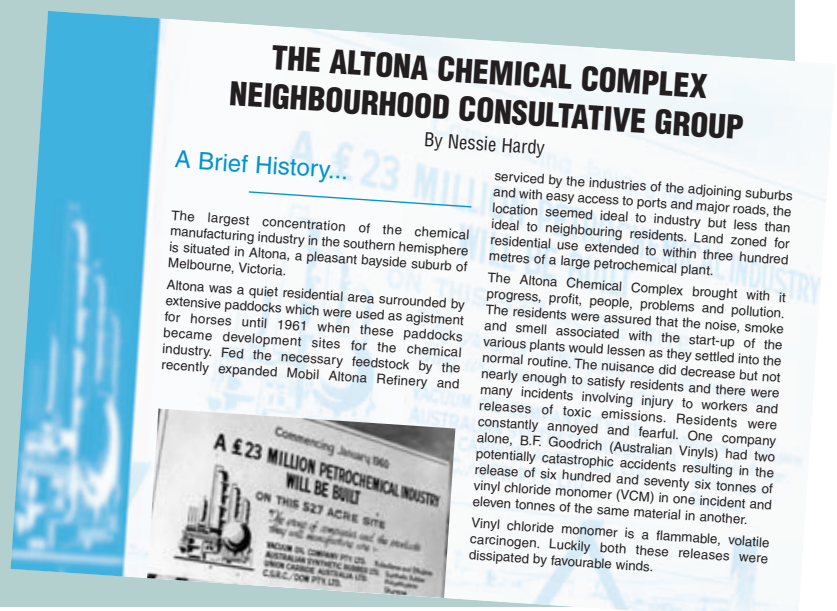
To encourage a proactive safety focus, two worthwhile charities, Western Chances and the Royal Children's Cancer Clinic, were chosen to be the recipients of the SCAL-1 safety campaign.

As part of the official launch conversion's, Qenos announced that the outcome of the safety campaign resulted in a combined monetary donation totalling \$52,300. The monies raised were shared equally between Western Chances and the Royal Children's Cancer Clinic.

ACNCG pamphlet gets a Revamp...

A comprehensive pamphlet on the ACNCG and its history has been reproduced to reflect updated information on the Group and its proactive work with the Altona Chemical Complex.

Written by local resident and ACNCG member Nessie Hardy, the pamphlet is available for interested residents. Copies can be obtained at the Altona Library or by calling Maureen Short on 9258 7333.



Dow Launches its 10 year Sustainability Goals...

To reflect Dow Chemical's worldwide commitment to the principles of Responsible Care, the company has announced an ambitious series of sustainability goals to be achieved by 2015. This ten year approach to goals started in 1995 when Dow committed to significant reductions in injuries, emissions and spills.

The 2015 goals continue to drive improvement in the areas of human health and environment. Over the next ten years Dow will achieve a 75% reduction in the number of chemical leaks and spills. The company has also committed to a 75% reduction in injuries to workers.

This means that at Dow's Altona site, they cannot afford to have an injury more than once every eight years!

But the 2015 goals go much further than just spills and

injuries at sites like Altona. For example, one of the Dow 2015 sustainability goals is to develop products that will help solve world challenges such as decent housing and sustainable water supplies. There are also goals on energy conservation, addressing climate change and product safety.

"These goals are certainly ambitious and in some cases we don't yet know how we will meet them;" said Mr Paul Thomas, Manager of Environment, Health and Safety. "However, similar thinking applied with the last set of goals and in the end we met these commitments and did quite well."

If you would like to know more information about these goals, please contact Paul Thomas on 9226 3797 or visit the company's website www.dowattainability.com



Mr Noel Williams, Managing Director, Dow Chemical (Australia) Ltd addressing the Plastics and Chemical Industry Association National Conference held on June 19 and 20, 2006, on Dow's worldwide platform of Sustainability - Taking a Leadership Position.

OPEN INVITATION

FOR ALTONA RESIDENTS TO ATTEND THE

ACNCG's Annual General Meeting

Guest Speaker

Mr Quentin Cooke

Environmental Protection Officer from the EPA will give a keynote address on how the regulatory authority operates and its vision for the future.

To be held on

Thursday 20 July, 2006 at 6:00pm
 City of Hobsons Bay, Meeting Room 3
 Civic Parade, Altona, 3018

Light refreshments will be served at 5.30 pm with the meeting commencing at 6.00 pm.
 For catering purposes, please contact Mrs Mary Marcina, on 9932 1050 if you are interested in attending.

To all residents . . .

Next Meeting Thursday, July 20, 2006 at commences 6.00 p.m. City of Hobsons Bay, Meeting Room3, Civic Pde, Altona, 3018

إشعار لكل السكان في المنطقة هل أنت مهتم بما يحدث في مجمع ألتونا للصناعات الكيماوية؟ تفنكس وإحضار إجتماع تمعده الجوارين لمجمع ألتونا للصناعات الكيماوية. يُعقد الإجتماع مرة كل شهر. نرحب بالجميع. الإجتماع القادم

Obavijest svim stanovnicima Zanima li vas što se događa u Kemijskom kompleksu u Altoni? Dodite na sastanak na kojem će se razgovarati o problemima koji se odnose na ovaj kemijski kompleks. Sastanak se održava svaki mjesec. Svi su dobrodošli. Sljedeći sastanak ...

Ανακοίνωση προς όλους τους κατοίκους Ενδιεφερέστε με το τι συμβαίνει με αυτό το εργοστάσιο που κατασκευάζει χημικά (δηλ. το Altona Chemical Complex)? Ελάτε σε ένα συνέδριο-φóρουμ της συμβουλευτικής ομάδας, προς συζήτηση ανησυχιών/προβλημάτων που τυχόν υπάρχουν και που αφορούν το εργοστάσιο χημικών. Τα συνέδρια γίνονται κάθε μήνα. Όλοι είναι ευπρόσδεκτοι. Το επόμενο συνέδριο θα γίνει στις

Avviso ai residenti Vi interessa sapere che cosa succede nel Complesso Industriale di Altona dove si producono prodotti chimici (Altona Chemical Complex)? Venite ad una riunione del Gruppo di consultazione della zona, che si occupa della discussione dei problemi riguardanti il Complesso Industriale di Altona. Le riunioni si tengono ogni mese. Siete tutti benvenuti. La prossima riunione

Известување до сите жители Дали сте заинтересирани да знаете што се случува во фабриката за производство на хемикалии Altona Chemical Complex? Дојдете на состанок на групата каде што се дискутира за проблеми во врска со хемиските производи. Состанокот се одржува секој месец. Сите се добро дојдени. Идниот состанок ...

Avviz ghar-residenti kollha Tinteressa ruhek f'dak li qed jigi fl-Altona Chemical Complex, il-post f'Altona fejn jaghmlu prodotti tal-kimika? Eija ghal-laqgħa ta' l-Altona Complex Neighbourhood Consultative Group, il-forum għad-diskussjoni dwar tħassib/problemi li għandhom x'jaqsmu mal-post fejn jaghmlu l-prodotti tal-kimika. Il-laqgħa ssir kull xahar. Mistieden kullhadd. Il-laqgħa li gejjja se ssir f'din id-data

Обавештење свим житељима Да ли сте заинтересовани за оно што се погађа у Алтони (Altona Chemical Complex)? Дођите на састанак Саветодавне групе за сузбављање проблема у Алтони (Altona Complex Neighbourhood Consultative Group.) Одржава се сваког месеца. Свако је добропошао. Следећи састанак ...

Thông báo gửi toàn thể cư dân Nếu muốn biết những gì đang diễn tiến trong Cơ Xưởng Chế Tạo Hóa Chất tại Altona (Altona Chemical Complex)? Xin mời quý vị đến tham dự buổi họp của Nhóm Tham Khảo Ý Kiến Công Cộng về Cơ Xưởng Hóa Chất Altona (Altona Complex Neighbourhood Consultative Group.) Được tổ chức hằng tháng. Xin mời toàn thể cư dân đến tham dự. Buổi họp kế tiếp được tổ chức vào ngày...

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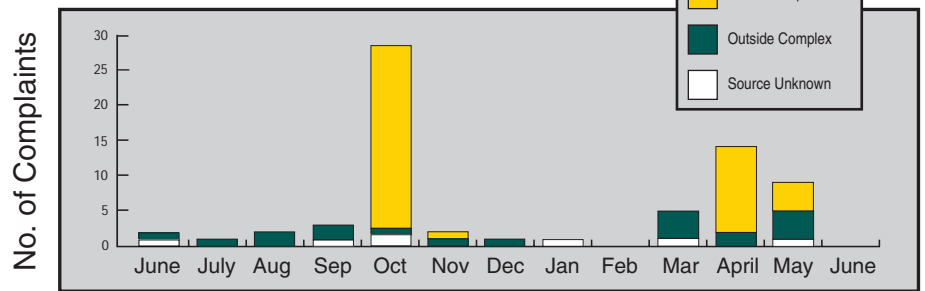
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City West Water
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Community Environmental Complaints

June 2005 - June 2006



	June	July	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June
Inside Complex	0	0	0	0	26	1	0	0	0	0	13	4	0
Outside Complex	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	0	0	4	2	4	0
Source Unknown	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0

There were 24 complaints received during April and May with no complaints being received during June. Five of the complaints were received via the EPA and nineteen via the Environmental Action Line.

Sixteen complaints were accepted for Qenos Olefins flare noise for the period. Nine of these were associated with flare noise following a power dip to the Altona Complex on April 21st. Three were on April 24th when the new SCAL-1 converters tripped. These incidents were discussed at the company's Environment Monitoring Team meeting in June. There were four complaints received for Qenos Olefins flare noise on May 10 and 11

during a plant start up following a steam failure. The complaints for the flare noise were about the surging nature of the noise from quiet to very loud which caused concern particularly at night. Qenos reports that management of the smoke suppression steam is being worked to reduce the flare surging while it is operating.

One complaint was accepted for Qenos Olefins Effluent Treatment Plant odour on the 28th April.

The other seven complaints were all for odour with six classified as 'outside complex' and one as 'source unknown'. The wind conditions at the time of the complaints excluded the Complex from being the source in four of the complaints. In the other three instances the odour was confirmed as coming from a source north of the Complex.

Altona Complex Community Siren

If you hear this siren **OUTSIDE** of the specified test time of 10.00am on the first Sunday of every month, do not attempt to evacuate, unless told to by Emergency Services.

1. **Go Inside any building:** - Close external doors and turn off air conditioners.
2. **Close windows and shut curtains and blinds.**
3. **Turn on the radio STEREO 974 (97.4FM) or television ABC Channel 2 for Police messages**
4. **Remain indoors until you are given the all clear.**
5. **Avoid using the telephone:** - Unless it's really urgent
6. **Co-operate fully with emergency services**

The warning siren is an undulating two tone siren (similar to an air raid siren).
 The all clear is a continuous siren.



يرجى الاتصال بمركز ويستغيت لموارد المهاجرين هاتف 93913355 للحصول على الترجمة الفورية للمعلومات أعلاه.

Za pojasnjenje gore navedenih informacij kontaktirajte Westgate Migrant Resource Centre (Centar za pitanja emigranata Westgate) na 9391 3355.

Για διευκρίνιση των παραπάνω πληροφοριών, επικοινωνήστε με το Μεταναστευτικό Κέντρο Πληροφοριών Westgate στο 9391 3355.

Per un aiuto nell'interpretazione delle informazioni sopra riportate, si prega di rivolgersi al Westgate Migrant Resource Centre al numero 9391 3355.

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Свяжитесь с Вестгейтским Центром Мигрантских Ресурсов (Westgate Migrant Resource Centre) по тел. 9391 3355 для выяснения вышеуказанной информации.

Контактирајте Вестгейт центар за пружање подршке доселеницима (Westgate Migrant Resource Centre) на 93913355 ради интерпретације горе наведених информација.

Muốn nhờ dịch thông tin ở trên, xin điện thoại cho Trung Tâm Tiễn Ích Di Dân Westgate qua số 9391 3355.

FOR NUISANCE ODOURS OR NOISE SUSPECTED OF COMING FROM THE COMPLEX, REMEMBER THE QUICKER YOU CALL THE BETTER THE CHANCES TO IDENTIFY THE CAUSE QUICKLY . . .

EPA POLLUTION WATCH LINE

9695 2777

CITY OF HOBSONS BAY COUNCIL

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ACTION LINE

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