

Pollution Incident Response Management Plan

Public Information - Homebush Depot



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Emergency planning

Ausgrid prepares and implements pollution incident response management plans (PIRMP) for sites where they are required under environmental legislation. As a holder of an environment protection licence at our Homebush Depot, Ausgrid is required to make certain PIRMP information publicly available, including details on incident notification and community communication arrangements.

Background

Who we are

Ausgrid delivers a safe and reliable electricity supply to more than 1.8 million homes and businesses across Sydney, the Central Coast and the Hunter regions.

Our business and our predecessors have been supplying electricity for over a century.

Our network area covers 22,275 square kilometres and includes more than 200 large electricity substations, 30,000 small distribution substations, 500,000 power poles and almost 50,000 km of below and above-ground electricity cables.

Our environmental commitment

Ausgrid is committed to the safety of our community and the environment, by effectively operating our assets, maintaining our infrastructure and finding better ways to plan for the future. Ausgrid depots are an integral part of our operations and are located throughout our network area.

More information about our commitment to the environment is available on Ausgrid's website:

[Environment](#)

Site information

Homebush Depot

The site is located on the corner of Pomeroy Street and Underwood Road, Homebush NSW (shown the in aerial photo above).

The depot supports field operations and undertakes a range of activities associated with the operation and maintenance of the electricity network, including:

- Storage of vehicles, plant and equipment
- Administrative and office functions
- Vehicle and mechanical workshop activities
- Storage and handling of oils and other operational materials
- Temporary storage of waste generated from network activities

Communicating with the community

While environmental incidents are unlikely, Ausgrid has established emergency response procedures to manage potential incidents and minimise risks to people and the environment.

This includes timely notification of relevant authorities and communication with potentially affected community members.

Notifying relevant authorities

In the event of an incident which material harm to the environment is caused or threatened, Ausgrid will immediately notify the following authorities.

Authority	Contact number
Environment Protection Authority	131 555
SafeWork NSW	131 050
NSW Fire and Rescue	000 1300 729 579 (for non-life threatening emergencies)
Strathfield Council	9748 9999

Communicating with the community

Scheduled activities

Where activities at the site may be of interest or relevance to nearby residents or businesses, Ausgrid may provide information to the surrounding community. Communication may be undertaken by an Ausgrid, emergency services personnel, direct correspondence, letterbox drops, or other appropriate channels, depending on the nature and urgency of the information.

Major emergency

In the case of a major emergency, Ausgrid will provide early warnings to the authorities and the community, where possible. This information will be updated as new information becomes available.

Evacuation

If the situation escalates to a point where evacuation is necessary, then Ausgrid will convey this message to the surrounding neighbours. Decisions regarding evacuation are the responsibility of the Police and other authorised emergency services agencies. Individuals should follow the directions and advice provided by those agencies.

Additional communication

Where appropriate, incident updates and other relevant information may also be communicated through Ausgrid's website and social media channels to assist the community in accessing timely information.

Contact us

Ausgrid can be contacted using the following channels.

- 24 hour Emergency Contact number – 13 13 88
- General enquires – 13 13 65

Document control

Review

This document will be updated at least every 5 years.

If a change is made to the full Homebush Depot PIMRP within the 5-year review period, this document will be reviewed and updated accordingly.

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