

FACT SHEET

Hampton Park

Resource Recovery Precinct



THE LEADER IN RESOURCE RECOVERY

Enforceable Undertaking Progress

The Enforceable Undertaking (EU) SITA Australia (SITA) presented to the EPA has now passed its two year anniversary on 21 September 2014, and we have just under one year left of the three year term. All of the 18 undertakings the EU states that SITA must deliver, including the process improvements necessary to monitor progress and report to the EPA and community, are now either complete or have reached an ongoing management phase. The benefits of the outcomes resulting from the EU are being seen through operational enhancements and community involvement.

The following table outlines how SITA is progressing with each of the undertakings.

Clause	Clause Summary	Due	Status
4.1	Operate the odour curtain system around the boundaries of the cell receiving household and industrial waste.	Ongoing	Odour curtain action plan is now complete. The existing system has been relocated and the newly purchased additional 800m of system has been installed. A further 400m is planned to be installed along the southern boundary following Cell 9A capping works. Works are due to be completed by end of December 2014.
4.2	Operate in accordance with the cell volume and lifespan attached to EU.	Ongoing	SITA presented to HRL CRG on 26 March 2014 outlining the requested amendment to Appendix A. EPA has accepted this amendment.
4.3	Agree to amendments to the current EPA licence that reflect operational changes to cell management such as EPA approved Landfill Gas Management Plan and changes to waste tipping and covering processes.	Complete	SITA accepted the amended licence dated 03.10.2012.
4.4	Carry out an aerial infra-red monitoring program every six months to detect any hotspots that may indicate gas emissions.	Six (6) monthly	In the last round of infra-red monitoring, all areas identified as requiring further attention have been addressed. The next round of infra-red monitoring has been scheduled November 2014.
4.5	Update the community of actions undertaken, progress and reports submitted to EPA via a Community Update Fact sheet.	Quarterly	Eight quarterly fact sheets have been distributed by 26.10.12, 25.01.13, 30.04.13, 31.07.13, 31.10.13, 26.01.14, 30.04.14, 31.07.14, 31.10.14 respectively. Next due 31.02.15.
4.6	Operate the SITA Environmental Report Hotline, a freecall 24/7 contact available for use by the community.	Ongoing	SITA Environmental Report Hotline continues to operate efficiently. Reports and actions undertaken now reported to Hampton Park Community Reference Group.
4.7	Display posters in community hub locations providing SITA's contact details.	Complete	More than 20 posters were in place by 28.11.2012
4.8	Facilitate the Hampton Park Community Reference Group (CRG) ensuring meetings are conducted at least every three months; that the Group is informed of the EU; and that EU progress becomes a standing CRG Agenda item until EU is complete.	Quarterly	Since the Fact sheet #8, the CRG held meetings on 27.08.14 and 24.09.14. The next meeting is scheduled for 26.11.14 which will include a site tour as per clause 4.9.
4.9	Ensure that CRG members are taken on a facility site tour every six months.	Six (6) monthly	The CRG meeting held on 28.05.2014 included a bus tour of the Hampton Park Resource Recovery Precinct. The next tour is scheduled for 26.11.14.
4.10	Host a Waste Management Association of Australia – Victorian Landfills Division every year, including a facility site tour and presentation of works undertaken with a focus on lessons learned.	Annually	WMAA meeting and site tour hosted by SITA conducted on 05.12.2013 at HPRRP. Next tour will be conducted on 02.12.14 for the Victorian Landfills Division.
4.11	Contribute \$100,000 to a local environment project for the restoration or enhancements of the environment in a public place; or for public benefit.	Complete	SITA has contributed \$100k by way of payment of \$50k to each of Elliot Kingsfield Reserve, Lynbrook and River Gum Creek Reserve, Hampton Park.
4.12	Provide proof to EPA that funding described above was provided to a community organisation.	Within seven (7) days of funding	SITA has provided proof of payment to solicitor of EPA as required.



4.13	That when SITA makes any reference to the \$100,000, it must refer to this EU.	Ongoing	Dedicated Fact Sheets will be developed for the community projects to ensure community's awareness is maintained.
4.14	Fund an independent research study scoped by EPA and the Department of Health, conducted by RMIT and reviewed by the CSIRO. The study will also include an extension of the air sampling and analysis currently being undertaken by the EPA in areas adjacent to the facility.	Ongoing	The findings of the Health Study were presented to the community at a function at the Chifley Doveton on 13.03.14. The documents can be viewed at http://www.epa.vic.gov.au/our-work/current-issues/landfills/hallam-road-landfill
4.15	Implement a landscaping plan to screen SITA along the South Gippsland Highway boundary.	Complete	Landscaping is now complete and maintenance is being undertaken to ensure maximum growth of the planting.
4.16	Appoint, at its own cost, an EPA appointed Auditor to ensure SITA has complied with all the undertakings.	Complete	The EU audit report was finalised and copies provided to EPA. The Auditor is satisfied in SITA's reasonable progressive compliance against the EU conditions.
4.17	Provide all relevant documents and information to EPA as required.	Ongoing	SITA has supplied all records to EPA as stipulated in the EU. Records are electronically and hard copy filed.
4.18	Pay all costs of compliance, estimated to be no less than \$800,000.	Ongoing	SITA has paid costs of compliance as and when they have been incurred.

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The planting along South Gippsland Highway that took place in October 2013 is showing strong and hardy growth. The selection of plants comprises 150 trees, including Silver Wattle, Black Wattle, Blackwood, Mealy Stringbark, Broad-leaved Peppermint and Gippsland Manna Gum. 600 shrubs including a range of flowering wattles, banksias, tea-tree, paperbarks and bursaria have also been included. The planting scheme has been designed to respond to Clause 4.15 of the EU by providing a screen and more aesthetic view of the precinct.

A fence has been constructed in front of the planting to ensure the plants are protected until fully matured.



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As leader in the provision of resource recovery, recycling and waste management solutions, SITA's approach is based on acting locally and understanding local challenges. We encourage you to learn more about us and allow us to better understand your views.

If you want to report an environmental issue, contact the **SITA Environmental Hotline**, a FREECALL 24/7 service.

1800 ENV REP (1800 368 737)

If you want us to visit your group or organisation, or you would like your question answered, send an email to;

vic.communityenquiries@sita.com.au

If you want to learn more about how SITA Australia is developing sustainable waste management practices, visit:

sita.com.au

Our natural resources are not infinite and we must work together to protect and nurture them while helping to solve one of the major environmental problems that threaten the planet – the sustainable and ethical management of our waste.