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## Pollution Control Report

### 1. Purpose

To report on incident response, investigation and audit work undertaken by Greater Wellington's Pollution Control Team in the Wellington Region during the reporting period.

### 2. Background

The Environment Management Division manages the unauthorised use of the environmental via the following:

- 24-hour Incident Response service, addressing pollution complaints, environmental incidents and alleged non-compliance with regional plans.
- *Take Charge*, a pollution prevention programme to improve environmental performance and compliance of small to medium-sized businesses.
- Special Projects, which include the development of resource materials, and targeted investigations to establish baseline conditions, track trends, and characterise environmental problems.

### 3. Incidents

#### 3.1 Incident summary for the period 1 February to 28 March 2008

A total of 243 incidents were recorded during this reporting period, as summarised in Figure 1. All incidents were responded to within the target response times.

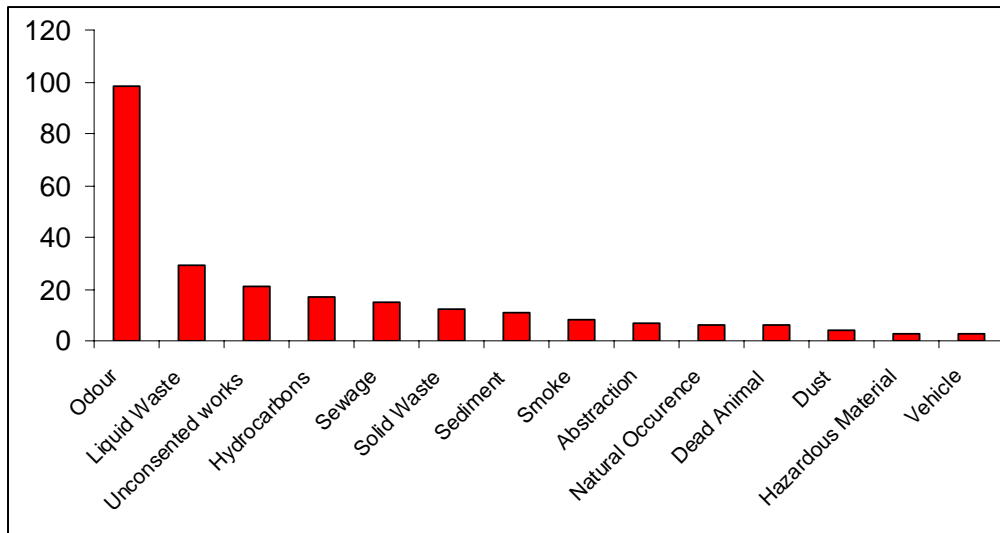


Figure 1: Summary of Incidents for period 4 January 2008 – 1 February 2008

### 3.2 Incident significance

The incidents are assessed for significance as determined by the severity, extent and duration of environmental effects. This ranking is used to track incident trends. The majority of incidents attended were considered to have negligible affects and only 3 of the 96 were considered to be significant. The incidents categorised as “Not Assessed” are those where officers did not attend the scene, or where officers were unable to assess the severity, extent or duration of environmental effects.

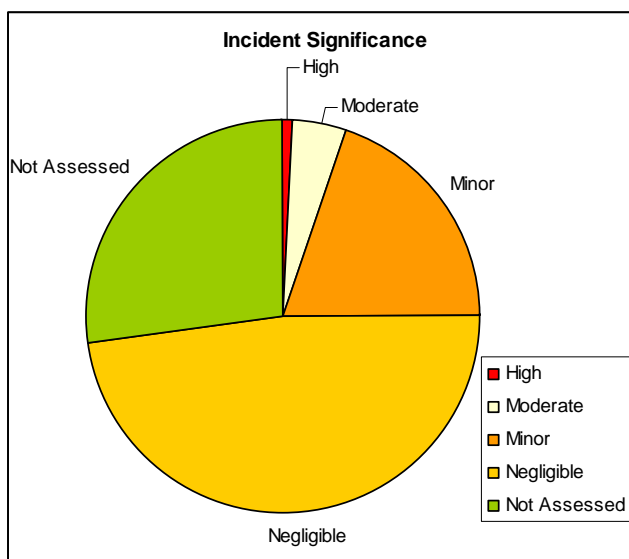


Figure 2: Incident significance for the period 1 February – 28 March 2008

### 3.3 Incident distribution

Figure 3 shows the regional distribution of incidents. The majority of the incidents are reported in the urban areas. However, there are an increasing number of incidents in the Wairarapa in 2007/08 year.

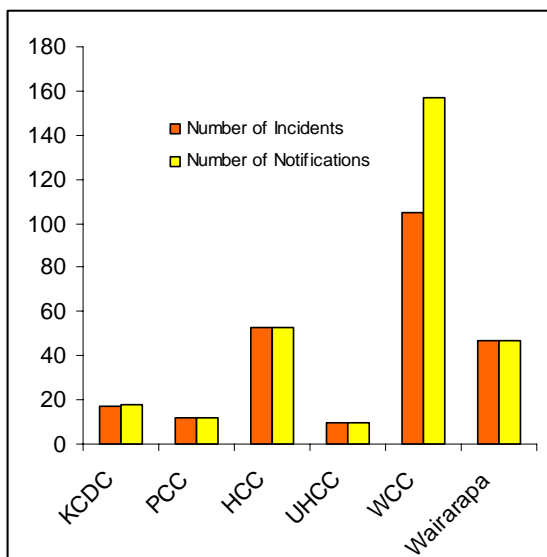


Figure 3: Incident distribution by local authority

#### 4. Enforcement action

Table 1 summarises enforcement action taken from 29 February to 28 March 2008.

Table 1: Summary of enforcement action

Regulatory tool	Number issued
Advisory Notices	32
Infringement Notices	6
Abatement Notices	22
Enforcement Orders	0
Prosecutions	1
(& information's laid)	1

##### 4.1 Summary of enforcement action

###### **Infringement Notices**

*Brendan Larsen:* Unauthorised discharges to air (Fine \$300), 32 Bentley Street, Masterton

*Reon Madden:* Unauthorised discharges to air (Fine \$300), 32 Bentley Street, Masterton

*Crawford Carrying Co Limited:* Discharged drum of Rheolate 420 (paint thickener) on road entering stormwater (Fine \$750), 8 Toop St, Lower Hutt

*AF Logistics Limited:* Discharge into the Takapu Stream, (Fine \$750), Kiln Street, Silverstream

*Paul McKnight*: Unauthorised stream works at Quartz Hill, (Fine \$500), (Fine \$500)

*Burnley Morgan*: Unauthorised stream works at Quartz Hill, (Fine \$500), (Fine \$500)

### **Abatement Notices**

*Turn-Key Holdings Limited*: Cease unauthorised discharges to air, Finman Services (Paraparaumu) Limited, Unit 14a, 12 Marine Parade, Paraparaumu

*AF Logistics Limited*: Avoid unauthorised discharges to stormwater, 2-24 Dragon Street, Grenada North

*Graeme Hoare*: Remove illegally placed pipe in the bed of the Pauatahanui Stream, 85a Belmont Road, Judgeford

*International Waste Limited*: Cease unauthorised discharges to air at waste treatment facility in Seaview, Lower Hutt

*United Environmental Limited*: Cease unauthorised discharges to air at waste treatment facility in Seaview, Lower Hutt

*Supreme Automotive Refinishers Limited*, Cease unauthorised discharges to air, 32 Bentley Street, Masterton

*Diane Marie Sisson (director)*: Cease unauthorised discharge of material, associated with land use consent WGN070173 [25831], Central Recreation Reserve Aotea Block Development

*William James Lochhead (director)*: Cease unauthorised discharge of material, associated with land use consent WGN070173 [25831], Central Recreation Reserve Aotea Block Development

*Paul Hunter Adams (director)*: Cease unauthorised discharge of material, associated with land use consent WGN070173 [25831], Central Recreation Reserve Aotea Block Development

*Scott Jason Adams (director)*: Cease unauthorised discharge of material, associated with land use consent WGN070173 [25831], Central Recreation Reserve Aotea Block Development

*Tony Oliver Construction Limited*: Cease unauthorised discharge of material, associated with land use consent WGN070173 [25831], Central Recreation Reserve Aotea Block Development

*Clifford Anthony Oliver*: Cease unauthorised discharge of material, associated with land use consent WGN070173 [25831], Central Recreation Reserve Aotea Block Development

*Carrus Limited*: Cease unauthorised discharge of material, associated with land use consent WGN070173 [25831], Central Recreation Reserve Aotea Block Development

*Victor Anthony Deal Draper*: Cease unauthorised discharge of material, associated with land use consent WGN070173 [25831], Central Recreation Reserve Aotea Block Development

*Drapers Earthmoving Limited*: Cease unauthorised discharge of material, associated with land use consent WGN070173 [25831], Central Recreation Reserve Aotea Block Development

*Barrie Shute*: Determine extent of illegal fill material placed within the Aotea Block Central Recreational Reserve, Central Recreation Reserve Aotea Block Development

*Carrus Limited*: Determine extent of illegal fill material placed within the Aotea Block Central Recreational Reserve, Central Recreation Reserve Aotea Block Development

*Carrus Limited*: Remove all unauthorised materials placed within the Aotea Block Central Recreational Reserve, Central Recreation Reserve Aotea Block Development

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### **Advisory Notices**

A significant number of advisory notices (19) were issued in the Wairarapa as part of the dairy effluent compliance inspections. These will form the first part of the wider dairy compliance for 2007/08.

## **5. Take Charge**

The Pollution Control Team has completed all the Envirosmart audits for the 2006/07 intakes (except two businesses which have relocated) and have conducted revisits on the following businesses to ensure all recommendations have been completed and provide follow up advice.

Site visits from 1 February to 28 March 2008:

Ergoform (Furniture manufacture)

Marketing Impact (Printing)

Orangebox (Printing)

Calvert Plastics (Plastics manufacturing)

Excell Corporation (Infrastructure services)

Apex Car Rental (Car rental/grooming)

We continue our *Take Charge* audits and compliance checks of businesses in the Grenada North Business Park. *Take Charge* certificates are being issued to businesses that have completed the audit process to Greater Wellington's satisfaction.

## 6. **Special Projects**

The Pollution Control Team has prepared and released a press statement to inform the rural community that an Agri-chemical collect will take place in this financial year. There has been considerable interest from the public and a registrar of landowners with these unwanted chemicals is being collected.

The Pollution Control Team has prepared the 2006/07 annual report and this is available for review and forms report 08.118.

## 7. **Communication**

No further public communication is necessary for this report.

## 8. **Recommendations**

*It is recommended that the Committee:*

1. **Receives the report; and**
2. **Notes the contents.**

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