




EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

COLLECTION AND TRANSPORTATION OF ASBESTOS

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This emergency response plan outlines CEM's response to emergencies as a transporter of asbestos containing materials

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INTRODUCTION

A collection and transport emergency response plan (CTERP) is required to meet the requirements of the Northern Territory Environment Protection Authority (NT EPA) Environment Protection Licence - Pursuant to section 34 of the Waste Management and Pollution Control Act.

A well-constructed CTERP could prevent a minor incident from becoming a disaster, save lives, prevent injuries, and minimise damage to property and the environment.

OBJECTIVES OF THE COLLECTION AND TRANSPORT EMERGENCY RESPONSE PLAN

This CTERP prepares for the unexpected by identifying response mechanisms to a variety of potential crises arising from the transport of asbestos.

It outlines the necessary resources, personnel, and logistics which allow for a prompt, coordinated, and rational approach to a transport incident.

The plan outlines the detail to enable those involved in the response to effectively carry out their duties which include:

- To minimise any adverse effects on people, damage to property or harm to the environment in an asbestos transport emergency;
- To facilitate a rapid and effective emergency response and recovery;
- To aid emergency and security services; and
- To communicate vital information to all relevant persons involved in the transport emergency

COMMENCEMENT PROCEDURES

As the operator of a truck collecting and transporting material containing asbestos it is imperative that prior to undertaking any transportation works you confirm:

- The truck you use is approved and fit for purpose – spill kit onboard, PPE onboard
- Copy of the NTEPA Environment Protection Licence (EPL) located onboard
- Materials load log located onboard (Appendix A)
- Emergency contacts list located onboard

SITUATION APPRAISAL – CEM CHAIN OF RESPONSIBILITY

In the event of an emergency whereby there is a spill of asbestos containing materials, the following procedure should be followed:

- Immediately stop the truck in a safe manner with duty of care – Ref. SWMS
- Ensure you are wearing correct PPE before making any physical response – Ref. SWMS
- Utilise onboard spill kit where appropriate to contain spill
- Call/radio CEM Head Office to notify details of spill. Head office will send supporting crew and make relevant calls to emergency services
- Stay by truck and await Head Office response to emergency

Note: CEM SWMS should be referenced throughout all transportation activities.

REPORTING

All transported, contaminated material needs to be reported on a materials load log for annual reporting to the NT EPA.

INCIDENT REPORTING

It is imperative that post a spill cleanup, visit Head Office to complete an incident report.

