

Visy's Recycled Paper Mill - Reservoir

COMMUNITY UPDATE - OCTOBER 2022

Community Meeting

The next community meeting is being held on 5th December from 5:00pm to 7:00pm. Visy will provide an update on current developments and host external odour experts who will discuss common questions regarding odour and specific findings relating to the Reservoir mill.

This meeting will be an online Microsoft Teams meeting. The attached community letter provides additional information on the meeting and how to register via the Visy Website, https://www.visy.com.au/vp2reservoir.

Sanitisation Program - Treatment and Measurement

The modern sanitisation program in the mill continues to operate effectively, with target levels of Volatile Fatty Acids (VFA) below the 1500 mg/L level. These chemicals are generated through bacterial growth and can be a cause for odours when present in large quantities.

- Target reductions of VFA content to 1500ppm have been achieved and exceeded.
- October average VFA content at 602 mg/L.
- Effluent and mill water testing continues weekly.



Hood Exhaust Recovery System Improvements – Quotation and Installation

Engineering has been completed with timelines established for the installation of new dryer exhaust fans, silencers and dispersion stacks. These should more effectively disperse any odour that may be present in the hood exhaust system.

- Fan delivery and structural support installations to be completed in November.
- Final installation and commissioning to be completed in December.

Roof Exhaust Fan Project

Engineering is drafting a proposal for the design of system that can effectively be installed on the mill's roof. Consideration is being provided to ensure that the new installation can be delivered expediently and effectively.

Odour Monitoring

- Regular odour surveys are being completed by AOCS (Jim Demetriou) over the next few months to assess background odour levels in the community and the improvements after the hood exhaust modifications. This involves odour intensity mapping of the surrounding community outside the mill.
- Ektimo have completed their odour sampling of the Reservoir Mill's exhaust stack on the 18th of October. This will provide a quantifiable comparison of the site's odour emissions compared to previous sampling. Results are expected to be compiled and interpreted by November.
- Re-modelling of the Reservoir Mill's stack dispersion to be carried out by PJ Ramsay and Assoc. using new data regarding stack designs, discharges and odour sampling results.

Contacting Visy

If you require further information, please contact Visy by emailing CommunityFeedback@visy.com.au. Enquiries for a mill visit can made via the Visy Website, https://www.visy.com.au/vp2reservoir.