

# **Community Information**

Nyrstar Port Pirie Major Hazard Facility



# **Overview**

Nyrstar Port Pirie Pty Ltd is an integrated multi-metals facility at Port Pirie, South Australia producing lead, silver, gold, copper and sulphuric acid. The site has operated continually for over 130 years and was originally established in Port Pirie as the closest town to the Broken Hill mine with a deep water sea port.

Nyrstar has a long term commitment to its future in Australia and continues investing heavily in environmental, operational and other improvements.







## Introduction

This community brochure provides information to you about living near a Major Hazard Facility. Nyrstar Port Pirie is classified as a Major Hazard Facility (MHF)

Safety is Nyrstar's priority - for employees, contractors and the local community. Nyrstar Port Pirie has detailed Major Hazard Facility Plans which we have in place, in compliance with South Australian Work Health and Safety Regulations. This is part of a unified national approach to occupational health and safety in Australia aiming to achieve best practice in OHS standards and regulation.

#### **Nyrstar's Risk Management Framework**

Nyrstar Port Pirie (NPP) has robust controls, a Safety Management System (SMS) and Emergency Responses in place to control and minimise any potential risks to employees, contractors, the community, and the environment.

NPP has conducted systematic safety assessments to identify, prevent and control potential major incidents. Critical controls include emergency venting and shutoff points and, if necessary, the capability to implement a quick shutdown of the plant.

Nyrstar also has a network of monitors on site, around its boundary and within the community as well as alarms, emergency plans and training and systems to support management and control of onsite materials. These all form part of our Major Hazard Facility Safety Case approved by SafeWork SA.

# **Potential Major Incidents**

The majority of major incidents would be confined to the site. However, potential impacts on the community may include release of smoke, fumes or gases from the smelter. Any actual community impact would depend on the scale of the incident and other factors such as wind direction and wind speed.

# What potential effect might this have on me and the community?

If smoke, fumes or gases are released, this may cause respiratory discomfort, distress and or other symptoms.

Localised evacuation may occur if directed by Emergency Services.

# How will I know there is a Major Incident?

Notifications regarding serious incidents impacting on the community will be made via social media. Local media may also be utilised.

#### **Nyrstar Emergency Response Plan**

NPP has an Emergency Response (ER)
Procedure that details how NPP manages
emergencies. It includes the response
process and actions to be take in the event
of on-site and off-site emergencies. The
ER procedure which is updated regularly
is shared with regulators, the Metropolitan
Fire Service (MFS) and emergency services.



The site has a team of Emergency Response

Officers who are trained in managing emergencies on-site, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. Nyrstar conducts regular training drills for emergency scenarios at the plant and also tests preparedness by combined drills with the MFS.

#### **Community Emergency Response**

#### What should I do?

If there was a site emergency due to a major incident at the smelter, you will be notified by Emergency Services. In the unlikely event of a gas release event, Nyrstar recommends that you follow the instructions below:

- · Stay indoors
- Close external doors and windows
- 2 Switch off any air-conditioners or exhaust that is bringing external air indoors
- · Monitor the situation by tuning into social media and local media
  - Follow any alternative directions given by emergency services, including any direction to evacuate or shelter in a nominated location; and
  - Do not attend the Nyrstar site under any circumstances. Be aware that, while you may wish to make enquiries about family or friends, your enquiries may not be answered immediately while the initial response is occurring. Nyrstar has established processes for communicating with employee and contractor families and the community as soon as practicable.

## **After an Emergency**

Open doors and windows after an 'all clear' is given by emergency services

# **Contact Details**

If you would like more information about Nyrstar Port Pirie Smelter or wish to discuss any of the details in this fact sheet, please contact:

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