

Media Release

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Flinders Power extension to complete dust spraying

The Environment Protection Authority (EPA) has extended the date to a condition of an Environment Protection Order (EPO) issued to Flinders Power which enforces the company's Dust Management Plan at the former Port Augusta power station.

An EPO is a formal statutory order under the [Environment Protection Act 1993](#) that requires Flinders Power to take actions to prevent further environmental harm.

EPA Chief Executive Tony Circelli said that Flinders Power sought a variation to the compliance date of 20 January 2017 to have the ash dam fully covered.

"The company requested an additional 10 days due to the logistics and safety of managing the aerial application of the suppressant," he said.

As a consequence, Flinders Power has been allowed more time to complete its dust suppressant work.

"In these circumstances, particularly the need to meet safety requirements and to ensure full and effective coverage of the ash dam, the EPA accepts that an extension of Requirement A of the EPO is appropriate and a Notice of Variation of the EPO has been served," Mr Circelli said.

"It is my expectation that Flinders Power will have completed this work by or before the compliance date."

The compliance date for this section of the EPO has been extended by 10 days, to 30 January 2017.

No other aspects or requirements of the EPO have been varied.

The EPA issued the company an EPO on Tuesday to ensure its environmental responsibilities to the community were being met.

The EPO is available on the EPA website or by contacting 8204 2004 or 1800 623 445 (non-metropolitan callers) during business hours, or by [email](#).

Information on the Flinders Power former Port Augusta power stations site including the most recent dust reports are available on the [EPA website](#).

For health-related information and advice phone (08) 8226 7100 or refer to the [SA Health website](#).

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