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Port Adelaide Salvage withdraws appeal against licence suspension

A Port Adelaide demolition company has withdrawn an appeal against an Environment Protection Authority (EPA) suspension of its waste transport licence.

The EPA suspended Port Adelaide Salvage's transport licence for three years following a series of non-compliances with its licence conditions and breaches of the *Environment Protection Act 1993*.

EPA spokesperson Stephen Barry said the company's authority to transport waste was suspended in October 2019 after the company and its director Maurizio Corsaro operated an illegal waste depot at Highbury in 2012, and after its director operated an illegal waste depot at Houghton in 2015.

Mr Barry said the company was transporting asbestos that was not "appropriately wrapped or sealed", putting the public's health at risk.

"It was necessary to suspend Port Adelaide Salvage's transport licence given the circumstances of previous and ongoing offending to protect the public and the environment."

The suspension means Port Adelaide Salvage is not permitted to transport listed waste including asbestos during the suspension period which remains in place until 30 September 2022.

The EPA is currently investigating Port Adelaide Salvage over the alleged unlawful disposal of waste at two locations in Sedan, 100 km east of Adelaide.