

12 December 2012

Dear Resident,

Indoor Air and Soil Vapour Sampling - Clovelly Park

As you are probably aware from previous communication by the Department for Health and Ageing in November 2008, environmental testing in Clovelly Park identified chlorinated hydrocarbons in groundwater comprising of trichloroethylene (TCE) and perchlorethylene (PCE). The exact source of the groundwater contamination is yet to be determined.

TCE and PCE have been used in many industries as solvents over a long period of time, and commonly as degreasers and metal cleaners.

During the early period of 2009, the Department for Health and Ageing in conjunction with the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) sampled the air in your home for chlorinated hydrocarbons and found levels of TCE and PCE to be below the screening guideline criteria.

Monroe Australia has voluntarily engaged a site contamination consultant to undertake an environmental assessment on our site and in the surrounding area. Monroe Australia has also engaged an independent EPA accredited Site Contamination Auditor to review, oversee and sign off on the assessment works undertaken by the consultant.

From soil vapour sampling conducted in September this year, we identified levels of TCE vapour in the soil below depths of 1.5m on council road verges and public spaces in Chestnut Court.

We have visited a number of houses in your area today to arrange further indoor air monitoring in their homes and to take some soil vapour samples at their properties. However, there is no need at this stage to conduct tests in your homes but out of courtesy, we wanted to update you and let you know that the testing is underway.

Residents who would like more information can contact me at Monroe Australia on 8374 5222. If you have any further questions you can also contact the EPA hotline on 1800 729 175 between 8am and 8pm on weekdays or visit the EPA website at epa.sa.gov.au.

Yours sincerely
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