

TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM

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TO Akzo Nobel Pty Ltd,

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FROM Golder Associates Pty Ltd

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AKZO NOBEL SUNSHINE NORTH – NOVEMBER 2021 BOUNDARY AND RESIDENTIAL ODOUR MONITORING RESULTS.

Golder Associates Pty Ltd (Golder) was commissioned by AkzoNobel Pty Ltd (AkzoNobel) to conduct an ambient air quality monitoring programme at the AkzoNobel site located at 51 McIntyre Road, Sunshine North (the Site). The aim of this report is to summarise the boundary and residential odour surveys completed as part of the larger ambient air quality monitoring scope outlined in Golder Proposal No. 19130795-014-TM-Rev0, issued on 14 April 2021.

The assessment has been conducted in response to the Clean Up Notice issued to AkzoNobel by the Environment Protection Authority (EPA VIC) on 25/03/2021 (CUN No. 90011654).

The following report describes the scope of work, assessment methods, and boundary and residential odour monitoring results for November 2021.

Assessment Location

Each boundary odour assessment was undertaken on foot while walking the entire site perimeter, inside the boundary line fence. On occasion, facility operations or mobile plant being used on the Site may require a minor deviation from the usual boundary assessment route. The boundary odour monitoring route is presented in Figure 1.

The residential odour assessment was undertaken when an odour intensity of three or higher was recorded along the north, east or west boundary of the AkoNobel site. Residential odour assessments are conducted parallel and downwind from the site boundary at four evenly spaced locations (where possible) in the residential area. Example routes for residential odour monitoring are presented in Figure 2. Actual monitoring locations will vary based on wind speed and direction.



Figure 1 Boundary odour monitoring route



Figure 2: Residential odour monitoring locations

Assessment Methodology

Odour intensity assessments are designed to qualify odour emissions from industry and quantify the odour level as a perceived strength. Field based boundary odour monitoring is undertaken twice every six days to assess the general amenity of the area. Residential odour monitoring is undertaken at the downwind location only, and only when an odour intensity of three or higher was recorded during the fence line survey.

Odour assessments were undertaken by Golder staff, who are trained and certified as odour assessors. The staff members participate in annual screening sessions that assess their responsiveness to a reference odour (n-butanol). All staff have been screened within the past 12 months and their Individual Threshold Estimates (ITEs) were within the acceptable range.

The odour assessments were undertaken in accordance with EPA “*Guidance for field odour surveillance*”, Publication 1881, May 2021. Odours detected at the site during the monitoring period were assessed for the following parameters:

- Location;
- Intensity (see next Section);
- Character (classified as ‘paint or solvent’, ‘sickly sweet’, ‘acrid or burnt’, or ‘other’);
- Presence (classified as ‘Constant’, ‘Frequent/Repetitive’ or ‘Transient’); and
- local meteorological conditions.

Assessment Criteria

As part of the implementation of the *Environment Protection Act 2017*, which came into effect on 1 July 2021, the Environment Protection Authority, Victoria (EPA Vic), published the draft *Guideline for assessing and minimising air pollution in Victoria*, Publication 1961, May 2021 (draft guideline). This draft guideline, when finalised, is intended to replace parts of the *State Environment Protection Policy (Air Quality Management)* (SEPP(AQM)). The draft guideline refers to publication 1883, *Guidance for Assessing Odour*, for assessing the impacts of odour, however, this document has not yet been released.

Golder has previously used the German Standard VDI 3940:2010 for assessing the impact of odour. This standard has a seven-point odour intensity scale ranging from 0 to 6 (Table 1). Based on Golder’s experience, odour intensity levels less than three (or ‘Distinct’ comparable to “Obvious” in the EPA publication 1881) are less likely to cause annoyance and result in complaints. Table 1 compares the German Standard intensity scale to the EPA publication 1881.

Table 1 Comparison of odour intensity scales

German Standard		EPA pub 1881
Intensity	Description	Description
0	Not detectable	No Odour
1	Very Weak	Subtle
2	Weak	
3	Distinct	Obvious

German Standard		EPA pub 1881
4	Strong	
5	Very Strong	
6	Extremely Strong	

Results of Boundary Odour Monitoring

From the 1st to 30th of November 2021, 12 boundary odour assessments were undertaken for a total of 90 discrete odour measurements. All boundary odour assessment results are summarized in Appendix A.

Table 2 summarizes all odour intensity measurements recorded as Distinct (i.e., 'Obvious'). Measurements of Distinct odour occurred on 5 of the 12 assessment days and their presence was typically frequent or constant, with one instance being transient. The character of these Distinct odours includes all four types: paint or solvent; sickly sweet; acrid or burnt; and, other.

Table 2: November 2021 boundary odour monitoring results

Boundary	Location	Monitoring period		Wind Direction	Odour		
		Date	Time		Intensity	Presence	Characteristic
East	Centre	5/11/2021	12:53-13:57	S, NE *	Distinct	Frequent	Paint or Solvent
North	West	6/11/2021	13:35-14:28	W	Distinct	Frequent	Other: Food
East	Centre	6/11/2021	13:35-14:28	N	Strong	Constant	Other: Food, smoked meat
South	East	6/11/2021	13:35-14:28	N	Distinct	Constant	Other: Food, smoked meat
South	Centre	6/11/2021	13:35-14:28	nd	Distinct	Frequent	Sickly Sweet
South	West	6/11/2021	13:35-14:28	NW	Distinct	Frequent	Paint or Solvent
South	Centre	11/11/2021	11:15-12:05	NE	Distinct	Transient	Acrid or Burnt
North	East	18/11/2021	12:00-13:03	NNE	Distinct	Frequent	Other: Smoked meat
South	Centre	18/11/2021	12:00-13:03	E	Distinct	Frequent	Sickly Sweet
South	West	18/11/2021	12:00-13:03	SEE	Distinct	Frequent	Paint or Solvent
North	East	30/11/2021	11:09-12:00	NW	Distinct	Constant	Other: Vegetable Pie/Curry
South	Centre	30/11/2021	11:09-12:00	nd	Distinct	Frequent	Acrid or Burnt

nd = not detectable; *wind was swirling but blowing predominantly from the South and Northeast

Results of Residential Odour Monitoring

From the 1st to 30th of November 2021, only 1 residential odour assessment was undertaken. This assessment was completed at the west of the site boundary as there was a distinct smell of sickly sweet was detected frequently between west and northwest locations. The wind direction at that particular time was from southeast which triggered the need for the residential odour survey to the west. The results of the residential odour survey are presented in Table 3.

Table 3: November 2021 residential boundary odour monitoring results

Date	Location adjacent to the site boundary	Odour intensity at transect locations								Odour Character
		A	Location	B	Location	C	Location	D	Location	
5/11/2021	West	1	-37.7680986, 144.8239120	1	-37.7627530, 144.8231393	0	-37.7672802, 144,8240478	1	-37.7667814, 144,8241414	Sickly Sweet

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Appendix A – Boundary Odour Monitoring Results
Appendix B – Important Information Relating to this Report

APPENDIX A

**Boundary Odour Monitoring
Results**

Monitoring period		Boundary	Location	Wind Direction	Wind Speed (Min-Max) (m/s)	Odour		
Date	Time (Start-Finish)					Intensity	Presence	Characteristic
5/11/2021	12:53-13:57	North	East	Not Detected	0.0-0.0	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
5/11/2021	12:53-13:57	North	Centre	Not Detected	0.0-0.0	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
5/11/2021	12:53-13:57	North	West	Not Detected	0.0-0.0	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
5/11/2021	12:53-13:57	East	Centre	S, NE	0.0-1.1	Distinct	Frequent	Paint or Solvent
5/11/2021	12:53-13:57	South	East	Not Detected	0.0-0.0	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
5/11/2021	12:53-13:57	South	Centre	W	0.0-0.6	Weak	Transient	Sickly Sweet
5/11/2021	12:53-13:57	South	Centre	W	0.0-0.6	Weak	Transient	Paint or Solvent
5/11/2021	12:53-13:57	South	West	S, E	0.0-0.5	Very Weak	Transient	Paint or Solvent
5/11/2021	12:53-13:57	West	Centre	N, E	0.0-1.4	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
6/11/2021	13:35-14:28	North	East	N	0.0-4.2	Weak	Frequent	Other: Food, Chicken
6/11/2021	13:35-14:28	North	Centre	N	0.0-0.6	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
6/11/2021	13:35-14:28	North	West	W	0.0-2.6	Distinct	Frequent	Other: Food
6/11/2021	13:35-14:28	East	Centre	N	0.0-2.4	Strong	Constant	Other: Food, smoked meat
6/11/2021	13:35-14:28	South	East	N	0.0-1.2	Distinct	Constant	Other: Food, smoked meat
6/11/2021	13:35-14:28	South	Centre	Not Detected	0.0-0.0	Distinct	Frequent	Sickly Sweet
6/11/2021	13:35-14:28	South	West	NW	0.0-3.2	Distinct	Frequent	Paint or Solvent
6/11/2021	13:35-14:28	West	Centre	NNW	0.0-2.8	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
11/11/2021	11:15-12:05	North	East	S	2.4-3.6	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
11/11/2021	11:15-12:05	North	Centre	S, SE	0.6-0.9	Weak	Transient	Sickly Sweet

Monitoring period		Boundary	Location	Wind Direction	Wind Speed (Min-Max) (m/s)	Odour		
Date	Time (Start-Finish)					Intensity	Presence	Characteristic
11/11/2021	11:15-12:05	North	West	W	0.0-0.0	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
11/11/2021	11:15-12:05	East	Centre	SE	0.0-0.4	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
11/11/2021	11:15-12:05	South	East	SE	0.0-0.0	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
11/11/2021	11:15-12:05	South	Centre	NE	0.6-1.5	Distinct	Transient	Acrid or Burnt
11/11/2021	11:15-12:05	South	Centre	NE	0.6-1.5	Very Weak	Transient	Sickly Sweet
11/11/2021	11:15-12:05	South	West	W	0.8-1.1	Weak	Transient	Paint or Solvent
11/11/2021	11:15-12:05	West	Centre	S	2.1-3.1	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
12/11/2021	11:33-12:36	North	East	SE	1.1-2.6	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
12/11/2021	11:33-12:36	North	Centre	W	1.8-3.1	Weak	Transient	Sickly Sweet
12/11/2021	11:33-12:36	North	West	NE	0.0-0.3	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
12/11/2021	11:33-12:36	East	Centre	E	0.6-1.4	Very Weak	Transient	Other: Food
12/11/2021	11:33-12:36	East	Centre	E	0.6-1.4	Weak	Transient	Other: Petrol from traffic
12/11/2021	11:33-12:36	South	East	E	0.6-1.4	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
12/11/2021	11:33-12:36	South	Centre	E	1.5-5.8	Weak	Transient	Acrid or Burnt
12/11/2021	11:33-12:36	South	Centre	E	1.5-5.8	Weak	Transient	Paint or Solvent
12/11/2021	11:33-12:36	South	West	SE, N	0.9-4.4	Weak	Transient	Sickly Sweet
12/11/2021	11:33-12:36	West	Centre	E	1.8-4.4	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
17/11/2021	11:49-12:52	North	East	Not Detected	0.0-0.0	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
17/11/2021	11:49-12:52	North	Centre	W	0.0-0.0	Weak	Transient	Other: Grass

Monitoring period		Boundary	Location	Wind Direction	Wind Speed (Min-Max) (m/s)	Odour		
Date	Time (Start-Finish)					Intensity	Presence	Characteristic
17/11/2021	11:49-12:52	North	West	E	0.0-0.3	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
17/11/2021	11:49-12:52	East	Centre	SE	0.0-0.2	Very Weak	Transient	Acrid or Burnt
17/11/2021	11:49-12:52	East	Centre	SE	0.0-0.2	Very Weak	Transient	Other: Grass
17/11/2021	11:49-12:52	South	East	Not Detected	0.0-0.0	Very Weak	Transient	Acrid or Burnt
17/11/2021	11:49-12:52	South	East	Not Detected	0.0-0.0	Very Weak	Transient	Sickly Sweet
17/11/2021	11:49-12:52	South	Centre	W	0.4-0.7	Weak	Frequent	Sickly Sweet
17/11/2021	11:49-12:52	South	Centre	W	0.4-0.7	Weak	Transient	Acrid or Burnt
17/11/2021	11:49-12:52	South	West	SE	0.0-0.2	Weak	Transient	Acrid or Burnt
17/11/2021	11:49-12:52	West	Centre	W	0.0-0.0	Very Weak	Transient	Sickly Sweet
18/11/2021	12:00-13:03	North	East	NNE	0.0-0.8	Distinct	Frequent	Other: Smoked Meat
18/11/2021	12:00-13:03	North	Centre	N	0.0-0.9	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
18/11/2021	12:00-13:03	North	West	NNE	0.0-2.0	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
18/11/2021	12:00-13:03	East	Centre	NE	0.0-1.9	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
18/11/2021	12:00-13:03	South	East	Not Detected	0.0-0.0	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
18/11/2021	12:00-13:03	South	Centre	E	0.0-2.1	Distinct	Frequent	Sickly Sweet
18/11/2021	12:00-13:03	South	West	SEE	0.0-1.3	Distinct	Frequent	Paint or Solvent
18/11/2021	12:00-13:03	West	Centre	NE	0.6-4.5	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
23/11/2021	8:28-9:38	North	East	W	1.4-3.9	Very Weak	Transient	Other: BBQ Meat
23/11/2021	8:28-9:38	North	Centre	W, E	0.0-0.2	Not Detected	N/A	N/A

Monitoring period		Boundary	Location	Wind Direction	Wind Speed (Min-Max) (m/s)	Odour		
Date	Time (Start-Finish)					Intensity	Presence	Characteristic
23/11/2021	8:28-9:38	North	West	W	0.3-2.5	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
23/11/2021	8:28-9:38	East	Centre	N	2.6-5.9	Very Weak	Transient	Other: Flower Fragrance
23/11/2021	8:28-9:38	South	East	W, NE	1.2-2.9	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
23/11/2021	8:28-9:38	South	Centre	E	0.1-1.7	Very Weak	Transient	Acrid or Burnt
23/11/2021	8:28-9:38	South	Centre	E	0.1-1.7	Very Weak	Transient	Sickly Sweet
23/11/2021	8:28-9:38	South	West	W, NE	0.3-1.6	Very Weak	Transient	Sickly Sweet
23/11/2021	8:28-9:38	West	Centre	NW	2.6-6.5	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
24/11/2021	8:10-N/A	North	East	N	0.0-1.3	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
24/11/2021	8:10-N/A	North	Centre	Not Detected	0.0-0.0	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
24/11/2021	8:10-N/A	North	West	Not Detected	0.0-0.0	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
24/11/2021	8:10-N/A	East	Centre	Not Detected	0.0-0.0	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
24/11/2021	8:10-N/A	South	East	N	0.0-0.9	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
24/11/2021	8:10-N/A	South	Centre	Not Detected	0.0-0.0	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
24/11/2021	8:10-N/A	South	West	N	0.2-0.5	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
24/11/2021	8:10-N/A	West	Centre	Not Detected	0.0-0.0	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
29/11/2021	10:10-11:10	North	East	NNW	0.0-0.2	Not Detected	N/A	N/A
29/11/2021	10:10-11:10	North	Centre	W	0.0-0.0	Very Weak	Transient	Sickly Sweet
29/11/2021	10:10-11:10	North	Centre	W	0.0-0.0	Very Weak	Transient	Paint or Solvent
29/11/2021	10:10-11:10	North	West	SE, NW	0.0-0.2	Not Detectable	N/A	N/A

Monitoring period		Boundary	Location	Wind Direction	Wind Speed (Min-Max) (m/s)	Odour		
Date	Time (Start-Finish)					Intensity	Presence	Characteristic
29/11/2021	10:10-11:10	East	Centre	N	0.0-0.0	Not Detectable	N/A	N/A
29/11/2021	10:10-11:10	South	East	E	0.3-1.3	Very Weak	Transient	Paint or Solvent
29/11/2021	10:10-11:10	South	Centre	E	0.0-0.0	Weak	Transient	Paint of Solvent
29/11/2021	10:10-11:10	South	Centre	E	0.0-0.0	Very Weak	Transient	Sickly Sweet
29/11/2021	10:10-11:10	South	West	NW	0.0-0.0	Weak	Transient	Sickly Sweet
29/11/2021	10:10-11:10	West	Centre	ESE	0.0-0.0	Not Detectable	N/A	N/A
30/11/2021	11:09-12:00	North	East	NW	0.0-1.8	Distinct	Constant	Other: Vegetable Pie/Curry
30/11/2021	11:09-12:00	North	Centre	Not Detected	0.0-0.0	Not Detectable	N/A	N/A
30/11/2021	11:09-12:00	North	West	NW	0.0-1.4	Not Detectable	N/A	N/A
30/11/2021	11:09-12:00	East	Centre	NNW	0.0-2.4	Weak	Transient	Other: Vegetable Pie/Curry
30/11/2021	11:09-12:00	South	East	NW	0.0-0.8	Weak	Transient	Other: Vegetable Pie/Curry
30/11/2021	11:09-12:00	South	Centre	Not Detected	0.0-0.0	Distinct	Frequent	Acrid or Burnt
30/11/2021	11:09-12:00	South	West	NW	0.0-1.8	Weak	Frequent	Paint or Solvent
30/11/2021	11:09-12:00	West	Centre	Not Detected	0.0-0.0	Not Detectable	N/A	N/A

APPENDIX B

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Relating to this Report**

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