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Safety Advice for the Community

In accordance with the requirements of the Control of Major Accident Hazard Regulations
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Dear Neighbour,

At Waste Oils Company Limited we are accountable to our employees, our community and the environment. These responsibilities act as our guide in developing trust, honesty and fairness as well as respect in the community and with those that we work with in government, our shareholders, stakeholders, suppliers and customers.

Safety management is of major concern to us and throughout our core functions. Proper safety means the protection of our people and the surrounding environment from incidents that can occur if the appropriate steps and precautions are not properly addressed and anticipated. Safety means safeguarding the health of our suppliers, too. That's why safety policies specifically control every process of our operations to conform to the highest safety criteria and effectively minimise risk.

The reason for this leaflet is to provide you with information about the Control of Major Accident Hazards Regulations, which regulate our operations at Flagstone Wharf and inside the plant itself. For your safety we are obliged to contact everyone within a designated area around our site to explain what could happen in the unlikely event of a major accident.

Please be assured that we are doing nothing new in our operations, this obligation simply means we have to record and present information in a different way. Our loading, unloading and storage activities remain the same and potential hazards are rigorously managed so that the likelihood of an accident remains very low.

Overall, we have an excellent health and safety record and we intend to keep it that way.

Risk Assessments

The main hazard related to the handling of oil products such as gasoil and fuel oil is the environmental impact from a spillage. A fire or an explosion is an extremely unlikely event with limited effect outside the perimeter of the terminal. Persons or property located around the site may be at risk from the vapours or smoke generated in case of emergency. However, this type of situation would take time to develop and it is highly unlikely that any incident would quickly escalate. As operator of the plant, Waste Oils Company Ltd. has submitted a Safety Report to the Competent Authority.

Controls in place

At Waste Oils Company Ltd., we have a range of control measures to prevent spillages and leaks. Our premises are designed to prevent escalation of any incident with the primary aim being to contain the effects and stop them from spreading. Safe operation and prevention is still our highest priority and we place particular emphasis on training and working according to safe procedures.

In the unlikely event of a major accident occurring, our own Emergency Response Plan would be put into action. We have fire-fighting equipment and teams of trained personnel on site.

Products at Waste Oils Company Ltd

In this installation we import (from ships), store (in tanks) and distribute oil for local industries. In addition to this, the company is also committed with collecting used lubricating oils and waste fuels from local industries and from onboard barges berthed at the terminal. The products we store are fuel oils, diesel oils and waste oils. These products are stored in large tanks. The tanks are surrounded by walls (known as bunds) which are designed to contain the contents of the tanks. Pipes and pumps transfer the oil from the tanks to the ships.

EMERGENCY INSTRUCTIONS



ON HEARING THE SIRENS, YOU ARE TO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS.

The “EMERGENCY” siren is a pulsing (hi-lo) sound that will sound for at least one minute.



SEEK SHELTER BY ENTERING THE NEAREST SAFE BUILDING.

Enter the closest secure building; this will screen you from any external danger, such as high temperatures resulting from fire or explosion. Staying indoors will reduce traffic congestion and will keep streets clear for rescue operations.



CLOSE DOORS AND WINDOWS; TURN OFF VENTILATION AND OTHER VENTS.

Close windows, doors and louvers to protect yourself from the possible entry of flying glass resulting from further explosions. Stay in a room farthest away from the incident preferably with an exit to the outside. Do not stay behind doors and windows leading to outside.

EMERGENCY INSTRUCTIONS



AVOID
UNNECESSARY
USE OF
TELEPHONE AND
MOBILE

Telephone lines must not be overloaded so that people in real danger can contact the rescue services. Use the telephone ONLY if you require assistance.



TURN OFF ANY
FLAMES. DO NOT
SMOKE

Flammable gas may be in the air



LISTEN TO THE
MEDIA

More details and instructions will be given over the media. Tune to Radio Malta 93.7 Mhz FM or TVM.



WAIT FOR THE
ALL-CLEAR
SIGNAL THAT
INDICATES THAT
THE DANGER IS
OVER.

The "ALL CLEAR" siren is a continuous tone sounding for at least 1 minute. The authorities will also give advice on PBS radio and television.



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We are aware that reading about Emergency Instructions can raise concerns but, as we have emphasised, there is no need to be alarmed. We simply want to make sure that you are well informed and that you know what to do in the very unlikely event of a major accident.

We hope that you have found this information useful. Should you wish to discuss these instructions, or want further information, please do not hesitate to contact us:

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