

Diesel exhaust management: Our journey of continuous improvement

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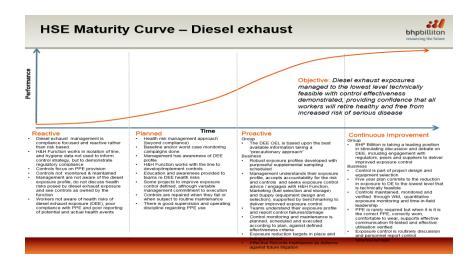


Protecting the health of our people

Our HSE Framework is critical to protecting the long-term health of our people

- Group Level documents
- Organisational design protocol
- Internal audit and third party assurance
- Regular reporting of lead and lag indicators to the Executive Leadership Team (ELT) and Board,
- Global Strategic Position statements and Maturity Curves
- Annual ELT KPIs tied to long term health public targets

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*	Monitor and Maintain	Industry Stand	lustry Standard - Allow others in industry to take the lead. Adopt approaches which have been piloted by other industries and peers with greater exposure.					
7	Incremental improvement required deliver plans		ector Leader - Leading position amongst the resource sector (mining, oil and gas). Recognised by others in the sector for both our commitment and rformance. Influential in the sectoral policy debate.					
7	Current focus area develop plans to improve							
	Sustainability Issue	Industry Standard	Sector Leader	Global Leader	Comments			
	Diesel Particulate Matter			>	Higher level of risk to health requiring a significant reduction in exposure when compared with regulatory limits. Greatest level of exposure in underground mines. Global leadership to drive a step change in technology to manage exposures.			
	Silica	H	>		Independent review has led to a committment to reduce the OEL by 50% by 2021 Several regulatory regimes have already adopted such a level. Alm for sector leadership from a Global mining perspective. NAS is leading the sector in its management of silica.			
HEALTH	Noise	*			Prevention of NIHL is a priority issue by many regulators and by peer companies. Control strategies are clear.			
里	Mental Health	- -	- > 🖈		Poor mental health effects 1 in 5 people in any 12 month period and 1 in 2 over a life time. A mentally healthy worldorce is safer and more productive Extensive interest from regulators on FIFO and Mental Health. Visible leadership position will assist with external engagement.			
	Fit for Work e.g. D&A, Fatigue	*			Other sectors have higher consequence and therefore are leaders in this field - e.g. aviation and rail. Oil and Gas Sector show greater maturity. Aligning practices with these industries provides the level of control required to protect our people.			
	Health risk management (non- carcinogenic exposures, heat)				Prevention of potentially fatal and serious non-fatal illnesses from other exposures requires ongoing focus. Other businesses / sectors have a higher risk profile for many of these health risks. Aligning practices with these industries provides the level of control required to protect our people.			





Group Level documents – setting internal occupational exposure limits

Why this is important

- Science continues to evolve but regulations lag far behind
- Default to regulatory limits would result in a material risk to our people

The process

- Continuous monitoring of the science, regulators and OEL setting bodies for our most important occupational exposures
- Annual benchmarking with Peers
- Independent expert review triggers





Diesel OEL review process

2015 diesel exhaust OEL of 0.1 mg/m³ (elemental carbon)

Trigger and response

- 2012 IARC classification → Original Driscoll Review → 50% rule
- 2014 Vermeulen Paper——>2nd Driscoll Review——> Need for formal dose-response curves
- 2015 IOM Review ————>Recommended "as low as technically feasible"
- September 2015

 Adopted IOM recommendation



The IOM analysis

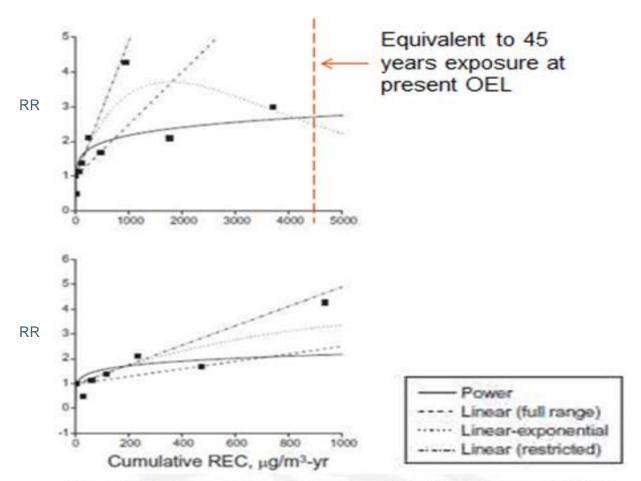


Figure 10: Exposure-response relationships derived by Silverman et al (2012) showing ORs plotted against cumulative exposure

IOM's recommended quantitative risk assessment

Exposure	Recommended Model (Table 24)				
level (µgm³)	RR	95% CI			
0.1	1.2	0.98	1.35		
0.3	1.2	0.99	1.36		
1	1.2	1.04	1.40		
3	1.3	1.18	1.53		
10	1.9	1.72	2.18		
30	5.6	3.78	8.14		



What are others saying

US Health Effects Institute (November 2015):

• "The Panel concluded that the data from the studies (as used by IOM) provided results and data that provide a useful basis for quantitative risk assessments of exposures in particular to older diesel engine exhaust"

Finnish Institute of Occupational Health (December 2015)

Recommended a target OEL of 5 ug/m3 except in underground mines, where the recommendation is 20 ug/m3

US NIOSH (May 2016) – Robert Parker Lead Risk Investigator

• To present results of assessment at EPICOH conference Barcelona, September 2016. Paper under revision ahead of publication

SCOEL

Commenced OEL risk assessment review December 2015 and due to report in December 2016



Our Response

Current Operations:

- Main exposure risk is in underground mines. Also need to consider "fracking" and heavy vehicle maintenance workshops
- In our underground operations, we have an initial target of 0.03 milligrams per cubic metre (mg/m³)
- All operations to report back as to what may be technically feasible
- Key challenge is lack of access to the highest tier, lowest diesel emitting engines or suitable electric substitutes

Design into potential future mines:

- In our Potash project mindset is "eliminate diesel where feasible"
- To date Potash have identified opportunities for 75% of underground fleet to be battery electric, with the remainder of fleet Tier 4 "Final" where available

Engage with others:

- Share information and how we are responding
- Stimulate discussion and debate



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