

Waste Standard

AGL-HSE-STD-008.7

1. Scope and Applicability of Standard

This Standard applies to and must be adhered to during all stages of activities and works (including planning, development, construction, operation, maintenance and decommissioning) that are, or will be, carried out in respect of AGL sites that are owned, occupied, operated, managed or controlled by an AGL Entity or third party appointed by an AGL entity unless stated otherwise in the contract.

If there is any doubt about the applicability of this Standard, contact the HSE team in the first instance.

Definitions of terms used in this Standard are set out in section 3.

2. Requirements

2.1 Planning

STD Ref No.	Minimum Controls
2.1.1	<p>Planning for works that may have actual or potential waste impacts must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> involve the AGL Environmental Representative and other subject matter experts where required; review any relevant restrictions and availability of suitable storage, transport and disposal facilities for waste; review the relevant legal and regulatory requirements that apply to the site and activity, including checking: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> how the waste management hierarchy can be applied; waste classification of likely waste streams; storage requirements for those waste streams; and licenses of anticipated waste transporters and disposal facilities; determine if existing regulatory, planning or other approvals may apply; assess if new approvals are required; and determine if an internal permit to work is required.
2.1.2	<p>The site approach to applying the AGL Health, Safety and Environmental Management System (HSEMS) to activities with respect to waste management is to be documented in the site Environmental Management Plan (EMP).</p> <p>A specific Waste Management Plan is to be developed where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> required by legislation; or there is the potential for negative impacts once the waste has been transported from the site; and the potential for regulatory or approval breaches have been identified.

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2.1.3	<p>Before works commence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • all approvals, including licenses and internal permits to work, must be obtained; and • measures must be taken to ensure all approval requirements, including monitoring and reporting, will be adhered to during execution of the works.
2.1.4	<p>When planning the transporting of waste, the following must be actioned:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Regulator licensing requirements for the waste type is to be determined; • prior to engaging any entity to transport the waste, the transporting party's license must be checked to confirm they are authorised to transport the waste type; and • confirming measures are in place to ensure the waste is in an appropriate container or bin prior to transport (particularly for regulated waste).
2.1.5	<p>When planning the disposal of waste, the following must be actioned:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the disposal facility licence must be checked to confirm the facility is authorised to accept the waste type; • a copy of the disposal facility licence is kept with the waste records; and • a waste register is established and processes are put in place to ensure the register is maintained.
2.1.6	<p>If a regulatory authority issues an order or notice or requests any information in relation to any waste related activities, all timeframes and other requirements must be complied with.</p> <p>If there is any doubt about the regulator's authority or ability to request the relevant information or actions to be carried out, contact AGL Environmental Representative in the first instance</p>

2.2 Risk Management

STD Ref No.	Minimum Controls
2.2.1	<p>In accordance with AGL's Fully Integrated Risk Management (FIRM) process, actual and potential waste risks must be identified and documented before works commence and controls to mitigate those risks must be implemented. Control measures are to be aligned with legislative, contractual and approval requirements, and the requirements of this Standard.</p>
2.2.2	<p>Where activities that may have waste-related impacts cannot be avoided, they must be managed in accordance with the following waste management hierarchy where practicable:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • minimise extent of waste generating activity and reduce, reuse and recycle resources; and

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> manage impacts including waste storage, transport and disposal in accordance with relevant guidelines prescribed by the regulatory authority, site EMP and other relevant plans.
2.2.3	Regulated waste must be managed in accordance with relevant codes of practice and guidelines, where prescribed by the regulator.
2.2.4	Sites must not receive any waste from off-site locations unless an appropriate regulatory approval is in place.
2.2.5	<p>Sites must have available adequate waste containers and bins that are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> safe to contain the waste streams (types) generated at the site; impervious to water; identifiable (i.e. colour/labelling); and emptied and collected at a frequency necessary to maintain suitable capacity in the container or bin.

2.3 Monitoring and Improvement

STD Ref No.	Minimum Controls
2.3.1	The effectiveness of controls must be monitored through inspections and assurance activities at a frequency that is commensurate with the level of risk.
2.3.2	<p>The site-based waste register must record the following details at a minimum:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> date of disposal; waste type (including if it is to contribute to National Pollutant Inventory (NPI) reporting); volumes or quantity of waste; waste transporter details; and disposal facility name and location. <p>Waste disposal records must be retained within the register. The Waste Register Template (AGL-HSE-TMP-008.7.1) or a suitable equivalent may be used to assist recording waste management.</p>
2.3.3	Accredited environmental laboratory services (i.e. certified by National Association of Testing Authorities (NATA) or equivalent accreditation bodies) must be used for analysis of waste samples.



2.4 Training and Competency

STD Ref No.	Minimum Controls
2.4.1	Waste management requirements, risks and controls must be communicated to employees, contractors and third parties (such as suppliers or visitors) through site inductions, toolbox talks, training programs and contractual documentation relevant to their scope of work.
2.4.2	A suitably qualified waste professional must be engaged where prescribed by legislation or where specialist expertise is not available in-house to undertake any of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • classify or sample waste; • prepare specialist waste reports and plans; or • support AGL to obtain the necessary approvals to manage waste and implement the requirements of such approvals.

2.5 Incidents

STD Ref No.	Minimum Controls
2.5.1	Waste storage, transport or disposal incidents must be contained and managed promptly in accordance with site procedures.
2.5.2	Where breaches or non-compliances are identified, corrective actions must be implemented within a timeframe commensurate with the risk.
2.5.3	The site Emergency Response Plan must include management of significant waste incidents that result in environmental impacts where relevant and identified as a potential risk.
2.5.4	Hazards, near misses and incidents resulting in potential or actual waste related incidents must be reported and investigated using the AGL HSE Incident, Near miss and Hazard Management Standard (AGL-HSE-STD-011.1).
2.5.5	Waste management incidents must be reported to the regulatory authority in accordance with legislative notification requirements, the site EMP and other relevant plans. If there is any doubt regarding the notification requirements to the regulator, contact the Environmental Representative and AGL Legal.

3. Definitions

Term	Definition
AGL Entity	Any AGL entity within the AGL Group, including AGL Energy Limited and any subsidiary, associated Company or related Body Corporate (as defined in the <i>Corporations Act 2001</i> (Cth), including all controlled or managed entities.
Environmental Representative	The person assigned responsibility for environmental management of the facility, location or site.

Regulated waste	The relevant jurisdictional definition under applicable law or policy requirement will apply, however, generally, for the purposes of this Standard (and without limiting any legal definition), regulated waste is an overarching term to describe wastes that pose significant health, safety or environmental risks when disposed of improperly and so require specific reporting and transport requirements for compliant disposal. Other terms used in different jurisdictions may include scheduled, special, industrial, hazardous, controlled and trackable wastes.
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4. Supporting Documents

The following AGL documents may also apply to works that may have actual or potential waste impacts and should be reviewed.

Document	Description
AGL-HSE-STD-004.2	Permit to Work Standard
AGL-HSE-STD-007.9.1	Hazardous Chemicals and Substances Standard
AGL-HSE-SDM-007.9.2	Asbestos & Synthetic Mineral Fibres Methodology
AGL-HSE-TMP-008.7.1	Waste Register Template
AGL-HSE-STD-011.1	HSE Incident Near Miss and Hazard Management Standard
-	AGL Risk Management & Assessment Standard

5. Document Control

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