

Staff News

Two of our part-timers, Andrew and Amanda, have both had their first school experience (now called a practicum) on the road to being teachers.

Tyler will be away in Canada for all of July, and Carol for six weeks in the UK beginning on 2 August.

New Cellphone Numbers

We have joined a Vodafone Talkzone.

All our numbers begin with the prefix "021".

The individual numbers which follow are substantially the same as before, but mostly vary in the first digit.

IANZ Accreditation

We have extended our list of accredited tests to include testing for heavy metals.

Andrew is shortly starting his six-monthly internal audit.

Anne Hofstra of IANZ is due in May for her annual assessment.



Record Annual Growth Rate

For the year ending 31 March 2004 ARM income grew by 26%. This follows 15% growth for last year.

Thanks to our loyal clients for this result, and to our staff for their hard work.

Enviro-mark® NZ

There are several reasons for clients requesting our services:

- compliance with RMA
- process development
- post-maintenance performance

and now Enviroqual Mark

The Enviroqual Mark is developed and provided by Landcare Research. It is an Internet-based five-step certification programme that makes appropriate health, safety and environmental management achievable by organisations of all sizes.

Process Development

We have recently completed a good project on process development. It included another

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Dale and Richard hanging from a skyhook

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first for us, continuous supervised monitoring for a 24-hour period.

The client needed to gain more understanding of the process and thereby improve the economics of the process. The effect of the exercise is to provide the necessary data for process changes so that one of the raw materials is not only recycled, but also not emitted to the atmosphere in such large concentrations.

This gives an added environmental benefit.

Feedback

Its always good to get feedback. In our last newsletter several comments were challenged; one response is given below.

Air Discharge Consent Review Clause

In the last issue of Fresh Air (December 2003) it was stated that it is common for a permit to contain an escape clause to the effect that limits can be revised at any time. The correct terminology is a review clause. Before the change is effected the review is open to submission and may be challenged in the Environment Court.

Baghouses Continued

We have experienced some problems with tests on baghouses recently.

It is apparent that holes develop gradually in bags after some months or years of use, and the deterioration creeps up on our clients and catches them out. A bag change is a major exercise and necessitates a repeat test - in our experience sometimes two or three repeat tests. The whole exercise becomes expensive and

frustrating for all parties.

The solution is monitoring, not by us but rather by the operators. A regular maintenance programme and a simple test of performance such as a dye test is more economical in the long run.

Thought for the month:

"Small wonder we have so much trouble with air pollution in the world when so much of it has passed through saxophones."