

Expert Witness

Independent Contaminated Land Experts for Legal Practitioners

Australian Environmental Auditors (AEA) is one of Australia's leading environmental contaminated land auditing organisations.

AEA specialises specifically on auditing with a rich history of projects around the country and the highest technical professionals in the industry.

We are advantaged to have multiple EPA appointed/ accredited auditors across all states, backed by an in-house expert support team from various disciplines and qualifications.

Our team provides sensible and scientific environmental solutions with the similar objective to legal practitioners: to help protect human health and the environment by maintaining compliance with legislation while pursuing sustainable development.

Expert Advisory Services

AEA provides high level advisory services due to our strong background in contaminated site assessment, remediation and landfills. We do not compete with contaminated site consultants in assessment, design or remediation work.

We employ sound, experienced technical support staff who have a thorough understanding of the most recent regulatory legislation in their assigned jurisdictions, as well as having technical expertise in one or more science or engineering fields.

With several of our auditors possessing over 30 years' experience, AEA's auditors are honest, pragmatic and accomplished in all areas of soil and groundwater contamination issues.

Industry Experience

AEA works for a variety of stakeholders and has had significant experience with virtually all types of contaminants in all types of industries.

Some industries include state and local government, major national and multinational companies, industrial, manufacturers and retailers, property owners and developers, oil & gas, mining and utilities, service industry specialists (legal, consultants, engineers, planners and property advisors), financial, trusts and investors, and transport and automotive.

Some scenarios where we have provided expert advice for legal practitioners includes:

- emerging contaminants at former legacy sites;
- disputes in planning conditions/restraints;
- third party review of forensic techniques or environmental reports;
- unlawful operational activities;
- interpretation of data;
- historically contaminated land to be developed to a sensitive use (e.g. child care centre); and,
- an independent review of site closure plans.





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