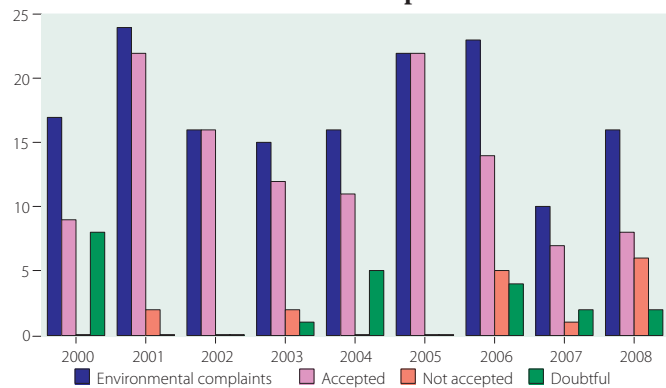


Environmental complaints

Almost half of the odour complaints from neighbours during the last year did not originate from Nufarm. To reduce odour emission, we installed a VOC capable condenser in the "Ag Synthesis" plant, on the reactors R20 and R70. Unfortunately, we stopped the production of Sellogen which was often the cause of our neighbours' complaints.

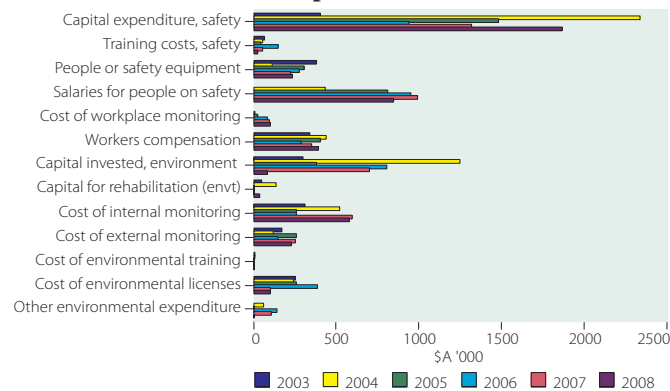
Environmental complaints



Expenditure

The major capital expenditure for the year was on our fire fighting system, with a major upgrade. In addition, we invested in our gas detection systems. These are designed to provide early warning of release of toxic gases such as chlorine. On environmental protection, we revamped some of our sewer network.

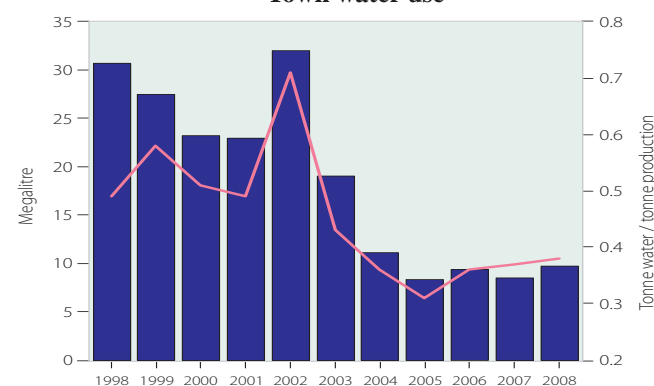
Expenditure



Town water

The efficiency of use of town water for manufacture is now steady. While we continue to ensure our people understand the importance of conserving this valuable resource, we have not found any projects to further reduce the use of water during the last three years. The principal reason for the small increase is a continuing change in product mix.

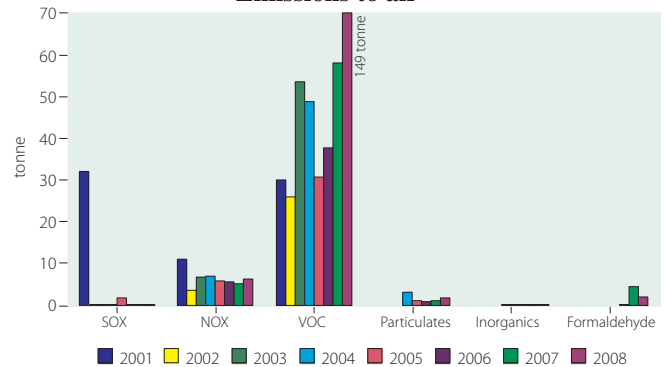
Town water use



Emissions to air

Most of our emissions to air have been about the same as last year, the one grossly different number is for VOC. The emission of VOC compounds is calculated from mass balance of solvents, as required by DRIRE. Unfortunately this method is very inaccurate, because it relies on determining the difference between two very large numbers (the amount of material purchased and the amount used). The amount reported is within the error band of determining the mass balance. We report the finding, but have no faith in its accuracy.

Emissions to air



Emergency exercise

Together with the authorities, we organised an emergency exercise (PPI) involving the external fire brigade.

The scenario imagined a leak of chlorine external to the storage.

The main aims were:

- to check our internal organisation, especially staff evacuation
- to check our emergency communication for people within 9.7 km of the plant (15,000 people were called)
- to check the emergency response of the authorities unit

The exercise went well.

We have included some photos taken at the time.



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