

WHAT'S IN THE ODOUR..!

We have been advised (when seeking assistance from internationally renowned environmental experts) that...

"Acetone, acetaldehyde, and toluene - which are dangerous VOC's and any substantial exposure, even to parts to billion levels, for prolonged periods of time, and chronically, can cause severe illnesses."

In 2008 residents have complained the odour is worse than ever and the intensity is becoming more noxious, with more residents coming forward with the following symptoms when they experience the RRRC Waste Composting Facility Odour:

- Blood noses
- Extreme chest pain when breathing
- Elevated heart rate
- Dizzy spells
- Severe migraines and headaches
- Rashes under our eyes and on face
- Skin burning on your face and peeling
- Eyes and nose burning and running
- Coughing, choking and gagging
- Feeling nauseous
- Sore glands on the sides of the neck

Pets are also suffering terribly from the odour coming from the RRRC Waste Composting Facility: choking, gagging, runny eyes, terrible skin and inhalant allergies.

What we know has been detected from samples that has been tested via the Chem Centre in WA in 2007.

-- Toluene

Used in manufacture of Benzene, as a solvent for paints

Symptoms:

Irritation of eyes, nose; weakness, exhaustion, confusion, euphoria, dizziness, headache; dilated pupils, discharge of tears; anxiety, muscle fatigue, insomnia; paresthesia; dermatitis; liver, kidney damage

Organs that are most effected: Eyes, skin, respiratory system, central nervous system, liver, kidneys

-- Methane, Chloro- ...known as Chloromethane

Chloromethane has a faint, sweet odour that is noticeable only at levels that may be toxic.

Lower exposures can cause staggering, blurred or double vision, dizziness, fatigue, personality changes, confusion, tremors, nausea, or vomiting. These symptoms can last for several months or years. Exposure to chloromethane can harm your liver and kidneys. It could also affect your heart rate and blood pressure.

-- Acetaldehyde

Acetaldehyde is primarily used as an intermediate in the manufacture of a range of chemicals, perfumes, plastics and synthetic rubber and in some fuel compounds. Acetaldehyde is also used in the manufacture of disinfectants, drugs, explosives, lacquers and varnishes, photographic chemicals, and urea resins.

Acetaldehyde is an irritant of the skin, eyes, mucous membranes, throat and respiratory tract. Symptoms of exposure to this compound include nausea, vomiting, headache, dermatitis and fluid in the lungs. These effects may be delayed. It may also cause drowsiness, delirium, hallucinations and loss of intelligence. Exposure may also cause slow mental response, severe damage to the mouth, throat and stomach; accumulation of fluid in the lungs, chronic respiratory disease, kidney and liver damage, throat irritation, dizziness, reddening and swelling of the skin and sensitisation. It may cause photophobia.

-- Limonene

Limonene is increasingly being used as a solvent for cleaning purposes, such as the removal of oil from machine parts

Symptoms: Irritation of eyes, nose, throat, skin; allergic contact dermatitis.

-- Acetone

Used as a solvent, in the production of lubricating oils and as an intermediate in pharmaceuticals and pesticides.

Symptoms: Irritation of eyes, nose, throat; headache, dizziness, central nervous system depression; dermatitis

Target Organs: Eyes, skin, respiratory system, central nervous system