Criteria	Significance rating
<ul> <li>Aspect is not currently controlled under normal condition</li> <li>'Abnormal' condition would breach regulations</li> <li>Evidence of / high probability of immediate environmental damage</li> <li>Effect of impacts is extensive</li> <li>In breach of legislation</li> <li>Interested parties have voiced concerns</li> <li>Repeated complaints received (internal/external)</li> </ul>	4 (Major)  Immediate action and control required
<ul> <li>Aspect is not fully controlled under normal conditions</li> <li>Effect of 'normal' condition impacts are moderate</li> <li>Abnormal condition impacts are likely to occur and/or unlikely to be detected</li> <li>Impacts are likely to increase based on planned activities</li> <li>Emergency situation would cause major environmental impact</li> <li>Potential breach of legislation</li> <li>In breach of company policy or other non-legal compliance obligation</li> <li>Financial / business threat from impacts</li> <li>Interested parties aware of issue</li> <li>Complaint received (internal/external)</li> <li>Multiple instances of same issue / large volumes involved</li> </ul>	3 (Significant)  Action required within set timeframe, with scheduled review of effectiveness
<ul> <li>Aspect controlled under normal conditions</li> <li>Abnormal condition impacts are unlikely to occur and/or likely to be detected</li> <li>Effect and probability of any impact is low</li> <li>No potential for breach of legislation or other compliance obligation</li> <li>Single instance of issue / small quantities involved</li> </ul>	2 (Minor)  Additional actions possible; recommend to review in the future
<ul> <li>Aspect controlled under normal and abnormal conditions</li> <li>No additional impact arising from emergency condition</li> <li>Effect and probability of any impact is minimal</li> <li>Very small quantities involved</li> </ul>	1 (Negligible)  Limited additional action possible; review in the future may be required

Note: meeting one of the criteria is enough for the aspect to be considered at the highest rating.