Appendix two – List of regulatory actions

The EPA uses a range of enforcement tools to address non-compliances. These are listed in approximate order of severity (lowest to highest) of the non-compliance:

- advisory letter
- formal warnings
- show cause letters
- official cautions
- pollution reduction programs
- variations, suspensions and cancellations of licences
- notices, directions and orders (clean-up notices, prevention notices, compliance cost notices to recover EPA costs, and notices to recover costs of environmental risk analysis)
- mandatory third party environmental audits at licensee’s expense
- penalty notices
- enforceable undertakings
- court prosecutions.