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**Mrs Joyce Russell**

**Core Participant**

**1. Findings of Fact**

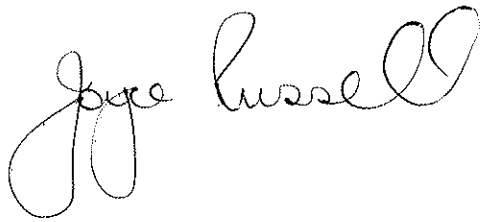
I do not wish to submit any proposed findings of fact.

**2. Lessons to be learned**

I have set out below my proposed lessons to be learned:

- (i) HSE should have been given more power by government in what could be high risk areas of industry. Instead of 'advising' ICL on 'issues' HSE should have recommended action to be taken and ensured that if these instructions were not adhered to follow up action was taken.
- (ii) An LPG detection system should have been mandatory as part of an LPG installation
- (iii) The stenching agent in LPG should have been made stronger and more noticeable. On several occasions during Phase One it was stated that LPG had a smell and yet no survivors appear to have smelt anything. I know I personally did not smell anything unusual that day and I have a very keen sense of smell.
- (iv) The pipework should have been installed by a competent person. In my view "competent person" should have been clearly defined and explained to ICL

- (v) The gas suppliers should not have been allowed to supply gas to the ICL premises without first checking the condition of the pipework. On installation of the supply, all the pipework should have been checked to ensure it met the recommended standards at that time. On completion of the installation a certification confirming that it had been installed to the recommended standard should have been provided not only to the supplier but to HSE and the gas supplier (if not installed by them) to ensure that this is properly policed. Once HSE and the gas supplier are content that the pipework has been installed to the recommended standard the gas should then be supplied.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joyce Russell". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and "R".

**Joyce Russell**