
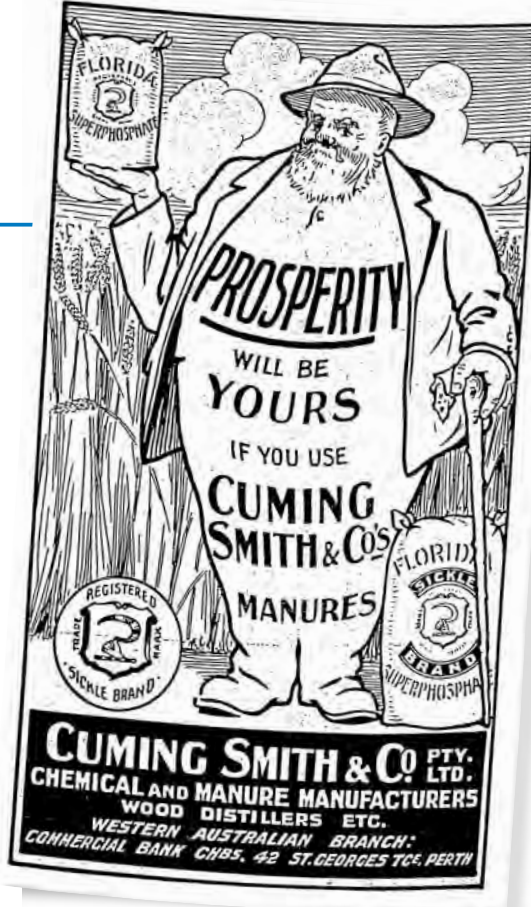




1910
Cuming Smith & Company, the first firm to make Super Phosphate in Australia, commenced manufacture at Bassendean Works, using the brand name 'Florida'.

1910
Mount Lyell Mining & Railway Co commenced manufacture of Super Phosphate at North Fremantle Chemical Works.

1922
Field research and trials began.

1927
Cuming Smith Mount Lyell Farmers Fertiliser Ltd (CSML) was established by Cuming Smith & Company Pty Ltd, Mount Lyell Mining & Railway Co, and Westralian Farmers Superphosphates, each holding a 33% share.

1928
Cresco, a South Australian Super Phosphate manufacturer, commenced production at Bayswater Works.




1930
CSML commissioned Bunbury and Geraldton Works.




1954
Albany Superphosphate Company was formed by CSML and Cresco.

1954
Official opening of Albany Works.



1962
Albany Superphosphate Company commenced manufacturing at Esperance Works.

1963
Boral purchased the one third share of CSML held by Mount Lyell Mining & Railway Co.

1964
BP purchased Boral's share of CSML. The new joint venture was named CSBP & Farmers Ltd.



1970
CSBP & Farmers takeover Cresco Fertilisers.

1971
Soil testing and recommendation service offered to farmers.

1977
Westralian Farmers Cooperative Ltd takeover Cuming Smith Ltd and Westralian Farmers Superphosphate Ltd, to hold 66% ownership of CSBP & Farmers Ltd.




1984
Dyno and Wesfarmers Ltd takeover Dupont to form Dyno Wesfarmers.

1986
Wesfarmers Ltd acquired BP's one third share of CSBP & Farmers Ltd, to become sole owner.

1987
Wesfarmers Ltd became sole owner of Kwinana Nitrogen Co.

1988
Australian Gold Reagents Pty Ltd (AGR) was formed through a joint venture of CSBP (60%), Coogee Chemicals (20%) and Australian Industry Development Corporation (AIDC) (20%).

1993
Dyno Explosives purchased the share of Dyno Wesfarmers held by Wesfarmers Ltd.

1995
Company began trading as Wesfarmers CSBP Ltd.

1997
AIDC withdrew from AGR, ownership transferring to CSBP (75%) and Coogee Chemicals (25%).

1999
Queensland Nitrate Project (QNP) joint venture between CSBP (60%), Coogee Chemicals (20%) and Dyno Nobel Asia Pacific.




2001
CSBP released its first liquid fertiliser, 'Flexi-N'.



1910
Cash price for Super Phos E4 7s 6d/t.

1920
Cash price for Super Phos E6 15s/t.

1927
CSML's combined capacity output of 240,000 tons per year represented practically all Super Phos used in WA.




1930
Cash price for Super Phos E4 10s/t.

1933
Due to the Depression, the Government provided a bounty on Super Phos of 15s/t (wheat growers excluded).

1942
Super Phos was rationed after the Japanese capture of Nauru cut off Australia's principal supplies of rock phosphate.

1946
183,000 tons of Super Phos used in WA.

1949
413,000 tons of Super Phos used in WA.



1954
Cash price for Super Phos E11 16s 3d/t.

1962
Esperance Works commissioned.



1964
Bunbury Works flooded.

1967
Kwinana Works Sulphuric Acid and Super Phos plants commissioned.

1968
Kwinana Works Phosphoric Acid, Ammonia, Nitric Acid, Ammonium Nitrate, and Prilling plants (shown right) commissioned.

1968
Bassendean Works ceased all production.

1969
North Fremantle Works ceased production.

1965
Bulk price for Super Phos E8 4s/t.

1966
Bulk price for Super Phos \$16.40/t.

1968
Super Phos bounty increased from \$8 to \$12/t.

Government provided a subsidy on Nitrogen.

1970
CSBP owned six Sulphuric Acid plants.

1971
Bassendean Works and North Fremantle Works decommissioned.

1972
Kwinana Gran Plant commissioned.

1975
Kwinana Sulphuric Acid plant No.2 commissioned.

1976
Second Nitric Acid plant commissioned.

1978
Bayswater Works ceased production.

1971
Agras released to WA market as Agras 18-18 Plus. Bulk price \$59.70/t ex-Kwinana.

1974
Government ceased bounty on Super Phos due to 74.2 million tonnes sold.

1976
Bulk price for Agras 18-18 Plus \$114.10/t ex-Kwinana. Total sales for 1975/76 were 131,336 tonnes.

1979
Bulk price for Super Phos \$52.09/t ex-Kwinana.

1981
Phosphoric Acid plant No.2 commissioned.

1984
Hydrochloric Acid plant commissioned.

1986
Bunbury Gran plant decommissioned.

1987
Chlor-Alkali plant commissioned.

1988
Sodium Cyanide plant commissioned by AGR.

Bunbury Acid plant decommissioned.

1981
Agras \$202.40/t ex-Kwinana.

1986
Agras \$268.10/t ex-Kwinana.

1989
Bulk price for Super Phos \$155.00/t ex-Kwinana.

1991
Bagging of fertiliser ceased.

1994
Rail transportation of fertiliser ceased.


1996
Third Nitric Acid and Ammonium Nitrate plants commissioned.

1997
Expansion of Sodium Cyanide plant.

1991
Agras \$302.00/t ex-Kwinana.

1996
Agras \$299.00/t ex-Kwinana.

1999
Bulk price for Super Phos \$196.00/t ex-Kwinana.



2000
QNP Ammonia plant commissioned.

200,000t Kwinana Ammonia plant commissioned.

2001
Soil and Plant Analysis laboratory opened at Bibra Lake.

2002
Geraldton and Esperance Works plants decommissioned and demolished.

Sodium Cyanide Solids plant commissioned.

2001
Agras \$285.00/t ex-Kwinana.

