**Location:** At Lutana in Glenorchy

**Owner:** Nyrstar.

The marker is located in the barbecue area near the main office.

**The Works**
The Zinc Works was established in 1916 when the facilities for processing zinc ore in Europe were cut off by the World War I, leaving Amalgamated Zinc with an enormous stockpile of high-zinc ore at Broken Hill.

The company was attracted to the site at Risdon by the supply of affordable power from the Waddamana hydro-electric Scheme, the availability of land, access to deep water for a port and a pool of workers to build and operate the plant.

Key people included James Gillies who started development of the Waddamana Power Scheme, William Baillieu who founded the company, Herbert Gepp, the first General Manager, Conrad Snow, Chief Chemist and later General Manager, and Sir Ian Wark who discovered a fundamental relationship between the relative amounts of zinc and acid in an electrolytic cell.

**Heritage Significance**
- Its establishment in 1916 was a pioneering achievement; the Hobart plant was the first electrolytic zinc plant in the Southern Hemisphere and an early example worldwide.
- The plant has been providing productive employment for almost 100 years and is one of the world's most efficient zinc producers.
- Technical innovation has been essential in the metallurgical processes to remove troublesome impurities in sulphide ores from different sources.
- Enlightened management provided housing, insurance and a cooperative store for employees in the early days of the plant.

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