

**COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE
AGL – CAMDEN GAS PROJECT**

MEETING NO.34

Held in the RPPG Conference Room, Menangle on 15 November 2012 at 5.30pm

MINUTES

Member / Guest	Attendance Type
Mrs Margaret MacDonald-Hill (MM) Chair	Present
Mr Brad Staggs (BS)	Apology
Mr David Henry (DH)	Present
Mrs Diane Gordon (DG)	Apology
Mr Fred Anderson (FA)	Present
Ms Jacqui Kirkby (JK)	Present
Mr Michael Hingley (MH)	Apology
Mr Peter Bloem (PB)	Present
Mr Simon Hennings (SH)	Present
Mr Troy Platten (TP)	Present
Mr Jeff Lawrence (JL)	Present
Ms Nicole Magurren (NM)	Present
Mr Paul Reynolds (PR)	Present
Cr Lou Amato (LA)	Present
Cr Lara Symkowiak (LS)	Apology
Mr Howard Reed (HR)	Present
Mr Aaron Clifton (AC)	Present
Ms Jenny O'Brien (JO)	Present
Mr Adam Lollback (AL)	Present
Miss Wendy Thompson (WT)	Present

Meeting Opened at: 5.35pm

ITEM	ACTION
<p>1.0 Welcome</p> <p>Welcome and Introductions by Chair – MM.</p> <p>Welcomed guests and new members to the meeting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lou Amato – Wollondilly Council • Nicole Magurren – Camden Council • Paul Reynolds – Camden Council • Howard Reed – Department of Planning and Infrastructure <p>MM advised committee members that she is engaged by AGL as an independent chair, approved by the Director General of Planning and Infrastructure. She is also a Member of the Mine Subsidence Board and the Minister's Arbitration Panel.</p>	
<p>2.0 Apologies</p> <p>As above.</p>	

<p>3.0 Confirmation of Previous Minutes</p> <p>Lengthy discussion on format and content of minutes by Committee. Majority consensus that current situation is onerous and unacceptable. Various compromises put forward with strong support to revert back to previous summary practice.</p> <p>Moved: Simon Hennings Seconded: Fred Anderson</p> <p>Minutes moved with following amendments: Business Arising 4th paragraph: Delete JK sentence beginning with “<i>requested that permission.....</i>” and replace with “Noted differential treatment in tabling email correspondence with CCC members and that with government contacts.”</p> <p>6 Reports 1. Slide 2 final paragraph replace the word 'decided' with sentiment. JK stated her disagreement, acknowledged by CCC.</p>	
<p>4.0 Business Arising</p> <p>AC – Video on the Water Lifecycle. Updated committee that this is still work in progress, which will show how produced water is managed on this project.</p> <p>PB – EPA licence non compliance for CEMS. EPA requested and received incident investigation on monitoring. Further meeting to be held on Monday with AGL and EPA to clarify licence requirements</p> <p>AL – Advised committee that maps for project area showing all well locations are on the AGL website for viewing.</p> <p>JK – Repeated request for further information on distance and breakup of private and public land.</p>	AL to provide when available
<p>5.0 Correspondence</p> <p><u>IN</u> 5/11 – Email from JO on Northern Expansion Project Submissions Report 15/11 - Email from JO on Northern Expansion Submissions report</p> <p><u>OUT</u> Nil</p>	
<p>6.0 Reports</p> <p><u>AC – Operations and HSE Update</u></p> <p>AC – Provided the committee with relevant points of AGL’s RPGP</p>	JO – to upload presentations with minutes to AGL website

<p>Visitor Induction to ensure committee members and AGL employee's remain safe at all times. Reminded all members that there are a number of Open Days which members are welcome to attend, further information available from JO.</p> <p>AC gave presentation on Operations and HSE update as provided to CCC in handout.</p> <p>In response to question from JK, AC explained as part of a Pollution Reduction Program (PRP) that AGL has engaged an external consultant to do a desk top investigation into fugitive emissions monitoring and quantification technology. The report will be submitted to the EPA. No monitoring is currently proposed.</p> <p>JK referred to research at the Tara Estate in Queensland which identified high levels of toxic gases and asked if the EPA would be conducting independent monitoring of fugitive emissions</p> <p>PB – Noted media reports on fugitive CSG leaks in Queensland and confirmed the PRP included leak detection and repair, which was important in controlling emissions of this kind. The EPA will look at all information and can introduce further licence requirements if necessary.</p> <p><u>AL – Project and Government Update</u></p> <p>AL gave presentation as provided to CCC in handout on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic Regional Land Use updates • Codes of Practice • Northern Expansion <p>PR – Queried if the standard of well integrity held higher standards.</p> <p>AL – Unaware of the rating, but understands there are petroleum standards to adhere to. Can provide information on the standards that AGL adheres to.</p> <p>JK - asked for confirmation that the Gateway Process will not apply to the Camden Gas Project.</p> <p>AL - confirmed this.</p> <p>JK – queried when the PAC public hearings will be held</p> <p>HR – Did not have the information on public hearing dates, but thought it would most likely to be held next year.</p> <p>MM – Suggested JK contact the PAC secretariat direct for this information.</p> <p><u>JO – Community Update</u></p> <p>JO provided community update as provided to CCC in handout and responded to JL question which Ministers were attending MP visit, advising Minister Hartcher's office is arranging the attendees and Russell Matheson has expressed an interest to attend</p>	<p>AC – Advise CCC when AEPR and Independent Environmental Audit uploaded to website</p> <p>AC - provide an update on fugitive emissions report at next meeting</p> <p>AL – to follow up</p> <p>AL – to provide relevant agencies with copies of the latest maps</p>
<p>MM confirmed at the request of CCC in September 2011, an invitation had been extended to HR to provide guidance on committee meetings.</p>	

<p>HR – Provided committee members with his background and experience in community consultation. He referred to the Department Guidelines issued in 2007, which he developed in consultation with others, including MM. HR referred to the purpose of the committee as indicated in the guidelines and the intent of community consultative committees to foster opportunities for better information exchange between all parties. He also referred to the responsibility of the company to provide timely information to the CCC. He suggested all present should familiarise themselves with what is expected and carry out their responsibilities in accordance with the guidelines. He reiterated they are not intended to be set in stone, but offer guidance. JK Raised concerns that AGL was not transparent and forthright in its dealing with the community and withheld information. Referred to water disposal and chemical information requested at previous meetings.</p> <p>HR – Suggested that AGL continue to provide timely and accurate information as requested by the Committee through the Chair.</p> <p>TP – stated that this information has been supplied at the open days.</p> <p>AC – Advised that this information had been supplied in previous meetings.</p> <p>HR suggested rather than provide this information in a video, a compilation table would be sufficient to which AC agreed. HR offered some options to improve the operation of the CCC, particularly with the style of minutes. He understood the committee's frustration with the amount of time spent in confirmation of the minutes and business arising, which are simply procedural matters and should not be the main focus of meetings. The Committee thanked HR for his attendance and most welcome suggestions.</p> <p>7.0 General Business</p> <p>AL – sought clarification from DH on a Council minute which referred to the CCC being established in 2011. DH – Noted it was a typing error.</p> <p>AL – referred to incidents of trespass on AGL drilling construction sites and reminded Committee members that it is private property and should not be accessed. If information is required, this should be sought through AGL.</p>	<p>MM to provide new members with copy of Department guidelines with distribution of minutes</p> <p>AC – to provide presentation on water disposal at next meeting</p>
<p>8.0 Next Meeting Date</p> <p>14 March 2012</p>	

Meeting Closed at: 8.00pm

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