# COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE AGL - CAMDEN GAS PROJECT

## **MEETING NO.13**

#### 25 MAY 2006

# **MINUTES**

# **ATTENDANCE**

Mrs Margaret MacDonald-Hill (MM) Chairman

Mr Peter Holland (PH) Campbelltown City Council

Mr Mike Roy (MR) AGL Gas Production (Camden) Pty Limited

Mr Simon Hennings (SH)

Community Member

Aaron Clifton (AC) AGL Gas Production (Camden) Pty Limited

Ms Sue McGarrity (SMc)

Mrs Shirley Winn (SW)

Community Member

Community Member

Miss Sue McCauley (SM) AGL Gas Production (Camden) Pty Limited

#### **APOLOGIES**

Mrs Diane Gordon (DG)

Mr David Hunt (DH)

Mr Paul Bowker (PB)

Community Member - Camden

Environmental Group Representative

AGL Gas Production (Camden) Pty Limited

## **ABSENT**

CR David Funnell (DF)

Camden Council

Mr Shane Read (SR) Wollondilly Shire Council (replacement for Cr Costa)

## Meeting Opened at 5.05pm

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION/CLOSE OUT	DATE BY
1.0	Introduction		
13-1.1	Welcome by the Chairman – MM		
2.0	Apologies - As Above		
3.0	Last Meeting Minutes		
13-3.1	The minutes were accepted. PH/MR	SM – Send meeting minutes to CCC members, councils and advised other interested parties within 2 weeks.	8/6/06
4.0	Business Arising	MM – Note that AR has resigned from the CCC, AR - Sent a letter to MM which was received too late for inclusion in the last meeting.  MM - Item 11-8.2 Action Item letter has	

		been sent.	
		MM - Item 11-10.1 Action Item	
		Replacement members SMc & SW	
5.0	Correspondence	•	
13-5.1	Correspondence In:	MM – 16/2/2006 AR letter of resignation	
	1	as member of CCC.	
13-5.2	Correspondence Out:	MM - 27/2/2006 Sent letter to David	
10 0.2	Correspondence Cum	Kitto Dept. of Planning, regarding AGL	
		replacement members MR & PB in the	
		place of SJM & FK.	
		MM - 27/2/2006 Sent thank you letters to	
		SJM and FK for their contribution to the	
		CCC.	
		MM - 2/3/2006 Sent email to AR	
		acknowledging his resignation from the	
		CCC.	
		MM - 1/5/2006 Sent letter to AR	
		thanking him for his contribution to the	
		CCC.	
		MM - 1/5/2006 Sent letter to SMc & SW	
		inviting them to attend this meeting.	
6.0	Complaints Register	inviting them to attend this meeting.	
0.0	No complaints for the period		
7.0	Project Operations Review		
13-7.1	MR -Explained role of AGL Gas		
13-7.1	Production (Camden) Pty		
	Limited/Sydney Gas Limited Joint		
	Venture. AGL is operator of Camden		
	asset. SGL will perform exploration		
	work in new areas. We have made a		
	number of improvements to the yard		
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	since the last meeting. The new surface		
	has improved the look of the site as well		
	as aiding in dust suppression. AGL are		
	planning to have a new larger conference		
	room, hopefully before the next CCC		
13-7.2	meeting.  MP. Power point presentation for new		
13-7.2	MR - Power point presentation for new		
	members which highlighted the key operational items and explained the gas		
	development process.		
8.0	Committee Members Leaving		
0.0	/Replacement		
13-8.1	Mr Anthony Ross resigned from his place		
10.0.1	on the committee		
13-8.2	Ms Sue McGarrity (SMc) and	MM - To send a letter to Director General	
10-0.4	Mrs Shirley Winn (SW) to join committee	to request that SMc and SW be accepted	
	as replacement members.	on the committee as members.	
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	Summary of Activities		
13-9.1	AC - As part of the development consent		
	for Stage II, AGL underwent an		
	independent hazard audit. This hazard		
	audit was put forward to the following		

two companies: URS and Pinnacle. With an assessment duration of between 3-4 days. There were action items listed in the hazard report which were minor in nature and are being addressed. The report was submitted to the Dept. of Planning. A further report is required every quarter until all the action items have been completed. We are required to go through the same process every 2-3 years. PH - Were the reports tabled? No. MM - Would the report go on the Dept. of Planning web site? Do not know would have to check. SW - What sort of action items were there? AC - Being on tank water, the lack of water pressure, on the eye wash station, was a concern. Another action item related to the black poly pipe that the water travels through, this can get warm in summer. It was recommended that the temperature should be regulated, for example with insulation. Other action items related to signage, such as the need to use gloves near hot surfaces. MR - The audit highlighted the need to better record inhouse-training undertaken. AC - We have continued with tree planting at Elizabeth Macarthur and Rosalind Park fields, in spite of the difficult, dry conditions, over 100 additional trees have been planted at Rosalind Park in the last three months. And are preparing well sites to hand them back to the landholders. Currently reviewing the landscape management plan for the Rosalind Park Gas Plant site. MR -Seismic work program has commenced, shooting 100klm of lines to ascertain coal features in the Camden area. Permission was obtained from the landholders to undertake the seismic test program. The seismic lines are run by vibrating the ground using small ground thumpers and assessing the size of the sound waves as they reflect back and are picked up by an array of surface geophones. PH - Do you know if the seismic lines have been done on the Campbelltown Council

property yet? AC - Yes they have. MR - Two Sugarloaf wells are now completed. One Sugarloaf well and an

EMAI well are in the clean up phase in preparation for rehabilitation. Drilling will start in mid June, 2006. There will be 5 directional wells drilled which will be followed by the drilling of approximately 20 wells at EMAI & Razorback. MM - Is directional drilling equivalent to horizontal drilling. MR-No, directional drilling is done to enable access to locations that would not be accessible by ordinary vertical drilling, due to the location, eg botanical gardens. SW - Will there be any drilling done around Jack's Gully? MR - There are already 10 well sites with around 10 to 20 more to be drilled around Jack's Gully.

## AC - External Inspections:

- ➤ Local Council∼ Wollondilly Shire
  Council has had a push from the
  Federal Government, after the
  Thredbo incident, to list all high risk
  activities in the area. Rebecca
  Cassidy from Wollondilly Shire
  Council came out and assessed our
  emergency response plans and was
  going to take a report to the three
  local councils.
- Fire Brigade~ The Menangle Fire Brigade previously suggested that a red flashing light be put in an elevated position near the flare for use when the flare is alight. Rosemeadow Fire Brigade also suggested that we phone them when the flare is going to be alight and they will contact Fire Com with our contact details. Then if they get any calls in relation to the flare, they can phone and avoid unnecessary visits to the site. PH - Is there an override feature on the flashing light, in the case of a real emergency? AC - Yes, the flashing light is turned on and off manually.
- ➤ EPA~AC We had an EPA inspection in the last 6 weeks, by Parramatta and Wollongong EPA. The Parramatta EPA had a hand over to the Wollongong EPA who will be

	handling future inspections and	
	dealings with AGL.	
	SH - How long before the Ray Beddoe	
	Treatment Plant will be closed? MR - We	
	are waiting on government approval	
	before decommissioning the RBTP. MM	
	- Does the decommissioning take long?	
	MR – It should take around 3 week to	
	install the Stage 1 gas to our Stage II	
	network. Although, the second	
	compressor for the Rosalind Park Gas	
	Plant is also due around that time which	
	would take precedence. It is in the best	
	interests of AGL to decommission the	
	RBTP and rehabilitate the site. Getting a	
	production licence involves: doing	
	regulatory work; put submission to	
	planning; submission will be put on	
	display for 30 days; then approval may	
	take place to go ahead subject to	
	conditions. Planning now require a	
	conceptual plan well in advance; hence	
	the process takes a lot longer now than in	
	the past. MR – The 2 <sup>nd</sup> compressor	
	Installation should be late September.	
	There will be additional 3 <sup>rd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup>	
	compressor's to come.	
	There was a serious incident this month.	
	The hydraulic unit at RP#12 caught on	
	fire on 17/05/06. The operators saw the	
	fire and started putting the fire out with	
	extinguishers when the fire brigade came	
	out. The Dept. of Primary Industries,	
	WorkCover and the landholder were	
	notified of the fire. All similar units have	
	been red tagged out until the incident has	
	been fully investigated. The cause of the	
	fire may have been an electrical short.	
	AC - The fire was not a gas fire but was a	
	diesel fire. MR - Although, there have	
	been no complaints we have had a minor	
	dispute with a landholder in relation to	
	an access road.	
10.0	General Business	
	SW - How many wells are there?	
	MR - There are 67 Producing Wells and a	
13-10.1	total of 92 Wells drilled. We hope to	
	have 100 wells producing by the end of	
	this year. We plan to plug and abandon	
	7 of the 10 existing Johndilo wells.	
	MM - Amoco and AGL previously looked	
	at coal seam methane gas but did not	
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	believe that it could be done. SMc -	
	Could the coal be mined? MR – Yes it	
	could. Before we abandon a well we	
	remove the steel casing and leave cement	
	only, in case of future mining. AC – We	
	are outside the mining leases area. SH –	
	What is involved with the plug and	
	abandoning of a well? The pipe is filled	
	with cement to one metre below surface	
	and with a steel plate put on top, before	
	being covered with 1 metre of soil. The	
	pipe is 5 ½" or 140mm diameter filled	
	with cement, topped with a steel plate.	
	The plate on top of the pipe lists the name	
	of well, date of P&A and AGL's name.	
	Survey coordinates are given to the Dept.	
	of Primary Industries. SH – Will the	
	Lipscome well be plug and abandoned?	
	MR – Yes we plan to do this in 2006.	
	Sugarloaf #2 will be a completed well	
	which will look like a green power box.	
	This new design will blend in more in	
	high visible areas	
	AC - Question for PH - The Medhurst	
	Road sign has been missing for the last 2	
	years, would it be possible to get a	
	replacement? MM - Would SMc & SW	
	be happy to take positions on the CCC?	
	SMc - Would be happy to continue,	
	although she has not seen the terms of	
	reference. MM – The CCC is currently a	
	condition of consent approval. SM to	
	send a copy of the details supplied by	
	MM out with the minutes. SW - Would	
	be happy to become a committee member.	
	SH -People in the community do not	
	show the same concerns that they did in	
	the past. MR – In the past people were	
	not aware that they do not own the	
	mineral rights to their properties. Now	
	that SMc and SW know AGL is here, they	
	may notice more about AGL's activities in the area.	
11.0	Next Meeting	
11.0	Thursday 24th of August 2006 at 5pm.	
	Meeting Closed 6:20pm	
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# Note:

- > Item numbering in column one shows the meeting number first then the section number to allow for the actions to be tracked for close out.
- > Items in **BOLD** are the comments made to close out an action raised in a previous meeting.