

COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE
AGL – CAMDEN GAS COMMITTEE

MEETING NO. 52

Rosalind Park Gas Plant, 14 March 2018 at 5:30pm

MINUTES

Member/Guest	Attendance Type
Aaron Clifton (AC)	Present
Addy Watson (AW)	Apology
Alex Fitzpatrick (AF)	Present
Chris Kelly (Environment Protection Authority) (CK)	Present
David Henry (Wollondilly Council) (DH)	Present
Diane Gordon (DG)	Apologies
Doug Hunt (DHt)	Apologies
Fiona Stalgis (Camden Council) (FS)	Present
Fred Anderson (FA)	Present
Margaret MacDonald-Hill (MMH) (Chair)	Present
Mitchell Clark (Campbelltown City Council) (MC)	Present
Peter Bloem (PB)	Apology
Rachel Marks (RM)	Present
Robert Wheeler (RW) (NPA)	Present
Sally Mayberry (SM) (Minutes)	Present
Sally Perry (Environment Protection Authority) (SP)	Present
Simon Hennings (SH)	Present
Troy Platten (TP)	Present

Meeting opened: 5:31pm

ITEM	ACTION	DUE DATE
1.0 Welcome, Introduction and Apologies MM – Welcome and Introductions Apologies as above		
2.0 Declarations of interest MMH is the independent chair appointed by the secretary of the Department of Planning and Environment. MMH is a member of the Mine Subsidence Board. Chairs a number of CCC's and is a paid chair of this meeting.		
3.0 Confirmation of previous minutes The minutes were: Moved: DH Seconded: AC		
4.0 Business arising Chair advised RW was duly appointed by the Department. The question on well status and changing land use was answered by AW email of 21/12/17. The EPA/CSIRO study presentation will be at September meeting.		
5.0 Correspondence Chair noted correspondence since last meeting as listed in AGL		

<p>CCC January update</p> <p>In</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11/01/2018: Email from AGL CCC update <p>Out</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nil 		
<p>6.0 Reports and Presentations</p> <p>The following information and documents were presented in the slide pack tabled to the CCC and discussed in more detail in item 7.0.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Operations and Environment decommissioning and rehabilitation • Community and Stakeholders • Brochure “Small ways to help make a real difference to your home’s energy bills” 		
<p>7.0 AGL Update</p> <p>Business Update (AF)</p> <p>A new brochure has been developed to provide information on how to reduce gas and electricity consumption in the home. It will be available to the public, specifically at the Camden Show. Invites comments from the Committee on the brochure. A copy of the brochure was provided to the Committee.</p> <p>The NSW Government provides energy concessions to aid the cost of at home health care. AGL can assist (available via www.agl.com.au/heretohelp).</p> <p>Operations Update (RM & AC)</p> <p>A copy of the presentation was provided to the Committee.</p> <p>92 wells of 144 producing currently. A workover rig is performing well workovers for approximately 10 weeks, and then will go back to the surface rehabilitation program.</p> <p>12 wells are undergoing surface rehabilitation. Work was done in early spring to make the most of the climate. The results vary. Photo examples shown in the presentation.</p> <p>A change to the publicly committed program of 17 wells was presented to the Committee. AGL advised that the landowners are comfortable with the changes. The Committee agreed that it is a logical change. CK advised that the changes should be notified – specifically to councils and regulatory agencies. Committee members concurred.</p> <p>Environmental compliance update outlines noise monitoring, emissions monitoring and a non-conformance with AGL’s Environment Protection Licence Annual Return Report. The single non-conformance was related to Continuous Emissions Monitoring at RPPG.</p> <p><i>TP Question: The wells that are being decommissioned – are they the wells that aren’t producing much gas?</i> <i>AC: Yes, decommissioned wells are no longer producing gas and are cemented in ground and rehabilitated on surface.</i></p> <p><i>TP Question: Does AGL still think they’ll still be here at Camden in 10 years?</i> <i>DH Question: Do you know if there is any consideration of pushing the intended 2023 closure back given the stated pressure to keep gas production going?</i> <i>AC: There are multiple final pieces of work to complete for the project, all of which take time. There is not a formal decommissioning plan put</i></p>	<p>AGL to notify regulatory agencies of modification</p>	

together yet, but it will be developed closer to the 2023 closure date.

CK Question: Which are the horizontal wells for the current rehabilitation stage?

RM: EM34, MP05, SL09

FA Question: How does the monitoring compare with the rest of the world – as far as what is being looked for, and technology used?

AC: All operating sites in NSW require a licence to operate. Each licence varies – AGL Camden has quarterly monitoring conditions to comply with. All licences will have noise limits in them (although they do vary according to the operation), and additional monitoring is often performed to ensure the operation is operating within the licenced limit.

CK: Contemporary standards from overseas are constantly being referred to and consulted to ensure Australian/NSW licencing expectations are consistent globally.

FA Question: The produced water that is being used in bricks etc off site – has that been resolved?

AC: Produced water returns to the gas plant to be filtered and treated through an oily water treatment process. Approximately 40,000 - 60,000L of water is taken away by Cleanaway each week, to be reused or recycled. The amount of produced water to be disposed of is reducing each year

SH Question: Is the main number 1 compressor back online and helping to reduce the gas leaks?

AC: Yes, a lot of the 2016 gas leaks were from compressor number 1. It has been fixed up and has been operating reliably for the past 6 months. There are two other compressors available as backup to run when needed.

TP: Statement – AGL's priority should be updating the website to ensure environmental details available to the public is up to date. AGL agrees.

Community and Stakeholders – (AF)

There has been one community complaint regarding an AGL employee driving unsafely. The incident has been resolved. Field operators checking well sites now have vehicle tracking systems on the vehicles to ensure safe driving.

An update was presented regarding the local community investment program.

One of the applicants has had their intended project (a shed) delayed due to council issues and have requested the money to be used for other things instead. AF sought Committee input on how to proceed.

General discussion regarding the issues, and how AGL should proceed.

FA Question: Is the program a pot of money each year?

AF: \$25,000 in two rounds. This is currently round one. Round two starts in April. The program has to be complete by the end of the 2017 financial year.

CK Question: How many applications were received altogether for round one?

AF: Fifteen in total – a broad range of applicants applied

The Committee decided to give the applicant more time but will be given a final date for works to proceed. DH will make enquiries within council to assist the applicant. Should the final date not be met, the grant will be added to round two. AF will send through details to the applicant regarding the next round of the program, where they can

DH will make enquiries as to the issues referred to

AF to advise DH of

<p>apply for the additional equipment that they have requested instead of the shed that was applied for originally.</p> <p>AGL will have a stall at the Camden Show this year. It will be a customer facing stall due to recent interest in electricity and gas prices. A 'locals deal' has been developed as a special offer for the communities that live around the areas that AGL operates. The special is not available on advertised prices but will be available as a promotional code.</p> <p>'Return and earn' has been implemented on site. All the money raised collecting cans will be donated to charity. Approximately \$100 has been donated to Clean Up Australia so far.</p> <p>Business Clean Up Australia Day helped clean up Medhurst, Glenlee and Cummins Roads. Three utes were filled up with rubbish and disposed of. Council was advised of larger rubbish that was unable to be collected on the day.</p>	<p>details</p>	
<p>8.0 General Business MC: There is Pampas Grass on the drive into the site that needs to be addressed</p>	<p>AC to investigate</p>	
<p>9.0 Next meeting date (new trial time) 12 September 2018, 4:00pm</p>		

Meeting closed at: 6:45pm

Acronym Index

- CCC Community Consultative Committee
- DP&E Department of Planning & Environment
- EPA Environment Protection Authority
- NPA National Parks Association
- DRG Department Resources and Geoscience