



**MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE  
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD AT LIDDELL COAL  
PREPARATION PLANT 14<sup>th</sup> November 2006**



PRESENT: Bill Langdon (SSC), John Douglas (MSC), Brian Thomas (SSC),  
Grant Farrar (LCO), Ed Wegner (LCO), Steven Peart (LCO).

## 1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 The meeting opened at 2:10pm

1.2 APOLOGIES: Samantha Spicer (MSC), Gwyn Davis, Julie Clydsdale

Moved by Bill Langdon, seconded by John Douglas.

## 2 GENERAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE PROCEDURES

2.1 In the event of a safety emergency evacuation, procedure is to follow Ed Wegner out to the declared Muster Area in the Car Park.

## 3 PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARATION

3.1 Nil.

## 4 PREVIOUS MINUTES

4.1 The Minutes of the Meeting held on 6<sup>th</sup> June 2006 were confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Moved by Bill Langdon, seconded by John Douglas.

## 5 BUSINESS ARISING

5.1 Ed Wegner gave a brief update on the status of Liddell's draft Conceptual Mine Closure Plan. Liddell is awaiting clarification of closure costings prior the final plan being presented.

5.2 The CCC members were issued with 1 blank, and 1 used HVAS filter.

## 6 GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 It is to be noted that on the 14<sup>th</sup> November 2006, the Liddell administration office was the subject of a communications malfunction. As a result, the PowerPoint presentation,

and associated material which was planned to be presented to the CCC was unavailable during the meeting.

- 6.2 The Liddell Coal Operations Review was presented by Grant Farrar and Ed Wegner. The following items were discussed:
- Safety Performance;
  - Production Performance;
  - Environmental Performance;
  - Environmental Review - Monitoring Air, Noise, Blasting and Water
  - Development Application
- 6.3 Grant Farrar informed the CCC that since the last meeting, Liddell has experienced 5 Total Recordable Injuries (TRI). The definition of TRI was provided. John Douglas enquired about the inclusion of Journey Injuries in Liddell's reportable injuries system. Grant Farrar replied that these were not recorded in the site statistics, but records were kept by Coal Services. Grant Farrar informed the CCC that Liddell recently employed a permanent full time OH&S and Training Coordinator (Marcia King).
- 6.4 Ed Wegner informed the CCC that no complaints, environmental or reportable incidents, or discharge events had occurred since the last meeting.
- 6.5 Grant Farrar and Ed Wegner gave an overview of the S75W Development Consent Modification process. Grant Farrar also informed the CCC that Liddell is currently undergoing a mining lease consolidation.
- 6.6 Bill Langdon requested an overview of Liddell's current rehabilitation status. Ed Wegner responded as below;
- To date, 45ha of the Mt Block has been rehabilitated
  - The final landform will consist of a mixture of pasture and tree species and a self draining basin.
  - Rehabilitation is currently being undertaken in the vicinity of the North Antienne Void and Dam 17. Biosolids are to be trialled in the absence of sufficient quality topsoil.
  - 18ha of rehabilitation is being planned for the Railway Block area.
- 6.7 Grant Farrar gave an overview of the Durham Fines Project.
- 6.8 Grant Farrar explained that the Entrance Pit is currently under 'Care and Maintenance' and some areas will be rehabilitated in the next few years.
- 6.9 Grant Farrar explained that the proposed expansion of operations will actually enable disturbed areas to be rehabilitated more rapidly, with little increase in the exposed area. Increased production should therefore allow more rapid rehabilitation of disturbed areas, including those of past operations.
- 6.10 Ed Wegner gave a review of Liddell's recent annual Environmental Protection Licence Return.
- 6.11 Ed Wegner explained that a structural assessment of the Chain of Ponds Hotel is currently being planned as blasting vibration levels are increasing.
- 6.12 Ed Wegner passed on Julie Clydsdale's comments in relation to scheduling CCC meetings after normal business hours. The CCC agreed to that the November CCC

meeting should be held at 5:30pm to enable community members to participate. The CCC meeting held in the May is to be held at 10:00am and include the site tour. This agreement was moved by Brian Langdon and seconded by John Douglas.

## 7 ACTION ITEMS

- 7.1 Steven Peart is to post 2 copies of the recent Liddell Newsletter to the manager of Singleton Library for display purposes.
- 7.2 Bill Langdon will look at getting the newsletters posted on the Singelton Shire Council website.
- 7.3 Ed Wegner will include an 'expression of interest' notice requesting additional CCC members in the next Liddell Newsleter.

## 8 BUSINESS FOR NEXT MEETING

- 8.1 No scheduled business issues raised.

## 9 NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next scheduled meeting is set down for the Tuesday 8th May 2007 at 10:00am at the Liddell Coal Preparation Plant.

The next meeting will include a tour of the mine site.

There being no further business, the meeting concluded at 3:40pm.

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Chairman