

COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE
AGL – CAMDEN GAS PROJECT

MEETING NO.44

Rosalind Park Gas Plant, 17 June 2015 at 5.30pm

MINUTES

Member / Guest	Attendance Type
Mrs Margaret MacDonald-Hill (MM) Chair	Present
Mr Brad Staggs (BS)	Apologies
Mrs Diane Gordon (DG)	Apologies
Mr Fred Anderson (FA)	Apologies
Ms Jacqui Kirkby (JK)	Present
Mr Andrew Spooner (AS)	Present
Mr Peter Bloem (PB)	Apologies
Mr Simon Hennings (SH)	Present
Mr Troy Platten (TP)	Apologies
Mr Paul Reynolds (PR)	Present
Ms Lara Symkowiak (LS)	Apologies
Ms Nicole Magurran (NM)	Apologies
Mr Aaron Clifton (AC)	Present
Ms Jenny O'Brien (JO)	Apologies
Ms Johanna Lee (JL)	Present
Ms Suzanne Westgate (SW)	Apologies
Mr Amer Hussein (AH)	Present (in place of JO)

Meeting Opened at: 5:36pm

ITEM	ACTION	DUE DATE
<p>1.0 Welcome</p> <p>MM – Welcome and Introductions</p> <p>Welcome to Amer Hussein who will be filling in for Jenny O'Brien</p> <p>Chair advised committee members that she is engaged by AGL as an independent chair, approved by the Director of General Planning and Environment. She is also a Member of the Mine Subsidence Board.</p>		
<p>2.0 Apologies</p> <p>As above.</p>		
<p>3.0 Confirmation of Previous Minutes</p> <p>The following amendments were made:</p> <p>DH - Page 6 replace in its entirety with: <i>'Wollondilly Council has resolved to reaffirm its position on Coal Sam Gas in response to the Final Report by the Chief Scientist as well as the NSW Gas Plan.'</i></p> <p>JK – Page 2: Insert – <i>'and was therefore not able to second'</i></p>		

<p>after the phrase 'has ongoing issue with the minutes does not believe AS was present at previous meeting'</p> <p>JK – page 2, response to her question from NF Insert - 'No, AGL has not taken before and after measurements of farmers bores in the Camden Gas Projects.' Water data is for</p> <p>JK - page 5 – AGL has 'wrongly' communicated there was no harm done. 'People were frightened'</p> <p>JK – page 6 – Replace Referred to with 'concerned with statement in NSW Gas Plan on Sustainable gas development 'and its implications for the northern expansion of the CGP' Add to SW's response after understanding.... that Camden 'Stage 1 and 2' is existing.</p> <p>PB – sent amendments via email – Page 4 replace with – 'A formal record of AGL licence non-compliance is made on the EPA Public Register. This summarises AGL compliance history'</p> <p>'It is already required as part of planning consent requirements, risk and hazard analysis'</p> <p>Page 5 replace with '\$15,000 is the set penalty for this type of offence</p> <p>The minutes, as amended were</p> <p>Moved: SH Seconded: DH</p>		
<p>4.0 Business Arising</p> <p>MM provided further information from PB on the CSIRO – methane fugitive emission studies. A final report to the EPA is expected by early 2016, once sampling has been completed and the data analysed. Also just a reminder the EPA CSG page is updated regularly with fact sheets, statements etc. as required.</p>		
<p>5.0 Correspondence</p> <p>In 20/4 – email from AGL update on 2012-14 Independent Environment Audit Report (IEA) 24/4 – email from AGL update on MP16 and MP25</p> <p>Out Nil</p>	<p>Auditor will present findings of 2012-14 IEA at next CCC meeting.</p>	

<p>6.0 AGL Update</p> <p><u>Land & Approvals</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New minimum standards of merit has been released. Copies of procedure tabled. • Looking to relinquish some areas of PEL 2 but has not been determined. • Will be agreed to between AGL and relevant government agencies. <p><u>Environment</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undergoing plug and abandon (P&A) activities including EM3, EM4 and AP01 (drilled by Sydney Gas) • Rehabilitation of these 3 well sites will consequently begin. • Discussion around cementing full length of well from coal seam through to surface as part of the P&A activity. • Wells are capped and sealed at a minimum of 1.5 m below surface – allows agricultural activities to continue. • AGL have collaborated with landholders and developers where future subdivision and development is planned for well sites. Can plug and cap wells deeper than 1.5 m below surface if necessary. • Landholders and developers are able to inquire with OCSG and ask for technical details of historic wells. • AGL provides coordinates to DRE, OCSG and Councils of all wells (operating and P&A). Details of well are also on each P&A well cap. • 10 wells have been P&A to date. • Discussion on whether locations of P&A wells available on property purchase under 148/149 searches. • Legal representatives aware AGL operate in the Macarthur area and often inquire. • DRE and AGL representatives often respond to inquiries. <p>JK – <i>suggested Government make information accessible to community.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chair indicated she would be happy to write to relevant Ministers and raise with Government agencies at other forums. • Should be part of routine conveyancing searches to find coordinates to provide locations of all existing and P&A wells <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New EPL issued. Changes to scale that EPA introduced. • 2012-14 Independent Environmental Audit Report has been released. Presentation of results at next meeting. 95% full compliance. • Enforceable Undertaking (EU) – <i>UWS Love Your Lagoons</i> Report – EPA written to AGL to indicate that the EU is now complete and to communicate this to CCC. 	<p>Chair to write letters to request P&A wells location be made available to community</p>	<p>Next meeting</p>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AGL is separate from the <i>Love Your Lagoons</i> project but noted it is located on UWS website. <p>AS – Did not support the process for <i>Love Your Lagoons Project</i> but complimented the engagement and educational aspects of the project. Year 8 & 9 students from local High School were engaged in activities that sought to educate the community about lagoons. As result of these projects, Campbelltown Council has been working with these students design work to educate community. Really good outcome working with Campbelltown community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No wells drilled since September 2012. • Minor flooding of Nepean River near MP16 and MP25 wells as a result of the heavy April rainfall. AGL remains vigilant of flooding and ensures regular testing and analysis of results ensuring wells remain intact from weather. • AGL is aware of all flood zone location, have established management plans and deals with well sites accordingly. • Compressor 1 remains shut down until further notice. <p><u>Community Engagement</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engagement activities haven't changed much since last update. • Supported Camden Show as Major Sponsor. More than 1,500 people visited marquee over 2 days. • Hosted a number of site tours, including Board of Dairy Connect. • Looking forward to attending number of events in the future. <p><i>DH – Enquired if community contributions were part of a consent approval.</i> AC – No.</p>		
<p>7.0 General Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion on Government's Community Benefits Fund discussion paper and distribution and allocation of funds. Concept is voluntary for mining companies. Sets a more transparent process. • Councils and other community groups will be making submissions. • Submissions close end of July. <p><i>JK – Raised concerns on Environmental Health Impacts Assessment (EHIA) presented to Committee in 2013</i></p>	<p>Chair to circulate discussion paper to members.</p>	

<p><i>and subsequent questions from the Carmelite Nuns to Mike Moraza. AGL has declined numerous requests for response in writing.</i></p> <p>AC – AGL position remains the same.</p> <p><i>'JK – The Carmelite Nuns' review of the EHIA was endorsed by the Scenic Hills Association. As a consequence of AGL's unwillingness or inability to respond, the SHA wishes to state that it has no confidence in AGL's ability to protect the health and wellbeing of this community.'</i></p> <p>AC – This was the first time an EHIA had been done by AGL. Any future EHIA would be undertaken specific to the project being assessed.</p> <p><i>AS – Raised concerns on the format of the minutes. Suggests movements from Hansard minute format to something briefer as too much time is spent at the beginning of each meeting rectifying misunderstandings from previous minutes. As per DP&E Guidelines, minutes should record general issues raised and action items.</i></p> <p>All present agreed and agreed to trial revised format for this meeting.</p> <p><i>SH – Participants should still have the opportunity to have specific items minuted in detail upon request.</i></p> <p>MM agreed.</p>	<p>Explore new minute format options for next CCC meeting.</p>	
<p>8.0 Next meeting date</p> <p>16th September 2015</p>	<p>MM – proposed setting meeting dates further in advance for 2016.</p>	

Meeting Closed at: 6:45pm.

Acronym Index

CCC	Community Consultative Committee
CSIRO	Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation
DP&E	Department of Planning & Environment
DRE	NSW Division of Resources and Energy
EHIA	Environmental Health Impacts Assessment
EPA	Environment Protection Authority
EU	Enforceable Undertaking
IEA	Independent Environmental Audit
P&A	Plugged and Abandoned
SMH	Sydney Morning Herald