

MINUTES OF THE WALLARAH 2 COMMUNITY LIAISON COMMITTEE MEETING  
Held Monday 20 November 2006 – 3.30 PM  
25 Bryant Road TUGGERAH

MATTERS	DETAILS	ACTION	TIME LINE
PRESENT	Mr In-sik KIM Wallarah 2 Peter SMITH Wallarah 2 Bob PURSER Wallarah 2 Peter MURRAY Gen Sec CFMEU Tom HOLE Mine Subsidence Bd. Margaret MacDonald-Hill Mining Related Cncls. Greg BEST Wyong Shire Cncl. Karen DOUGLAS Wyong Shire Cncl. Julie MOLONEY NSW Dept Primary Ind Mike CAMPBELL Jilliby Wilma COLBERT Yarramalong Alan HAYES Tuggerah Warwick O'ROURKE Wyong Creek		
ALSO IN ATTENDANCE	Milton MORRIS Chairman Rae BLACK Minute Secretary  Wendy McDONALD Admin – Kores		
APOLOGIES	Peter HAYES Wallarah 2		
CHAIRMAN	Declared Meeting Open 3.30PM		
PREVIOUS MINUTES	Adopted for meeting 21 August 2006.		

BUSINESS ARISING	<p>Additional committee members.</p> <p>Community Benefits</p>	<p>Chairman has not yet received confirmation from the Minister for the inclusion of Warwick O'Rourke and Alan Hayes to this Committee.</p> <p>Both Margaret MacDonald-Hill and Peter Murray supplied details of Community enhancement programmes to Peter Smith. (copies of which are attached to these minutes)</p>	
PROJECT UPDATE	<p>Peter Smith reported on the success of the recent Open Day held on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November. There was a good roll up and it gave the Company a chance for one on one listening to community concerns.</p> <p>Peter Smith reported the lodgement today of the Preliminary Assessment Report (PAR) of the Wallarah 2 Coal Project. The purpose of this application was to get the Environmental Assessment Requirements (formerly known as Director-General's Requirements) for matters to be addressed in the major environmental</p>	<p>Chairman commented that objectors present on the day were well behaved and conducted themselves in a civilised manner.</p> <p>A copy of the PAR was distributed to each committee member together with a Project Description poster showing a mining footprint of intent. A copy is on the Department and Company Website from today.</p>	

	<p>study to be prepared for the project before approval can be granted.</p> <p>Peter Smith provided a list of Management Team and Consultants engaged.</p> <p>Peter Smith invited all present to walk through the display, which was on show at the official Open Day, following the close of this meeting.</p>	<p>A copy is attached to these minutes.</p> <p>Peter Smith presented a 10 minute video to the meeting on Clean Energy for the Future, entitled <i>Zero Emissions City of the Future</i>.</p>	
GENERAL BUSINESS	<p>Cr Best asked for a time frame of mining plans and indicative cost to deliver the EIS.</p>	<p>Peter Smith expects 4 weeks until there is a response to the Preliminary Assessment Report. An EIS (now called Environment Assessment report) will then be prepared and submitted by end of financial year 2007. This will be on exhibition for 1 month. The lengthy approval process, including assessments, possible panel inquiry, response to objections, etc could take until June 2008 at which time construction work could start. Design and Construction, Management Plans etc take approx 1 to 2 years, so we could start mining late 2009. It would be in the vicinity of \$2.5 to 3</p>	

	<p>Cr Best raised concern with the time frame for objection to the EIS, believing experts will need a realistic time to go through reports. Cr Best also asked if the international debate at the moment was factored in to the risk analysis on Wallarah 2's radar</p> <p>Cr Best referred to the indicative mine plan and reported people just outside those areas are worried about property values. Will the Company surrender areas outside the mine plan.</p> <p>Alan Hayes believes that lay people will not understand the EIS and will not be able to respond within 1 month. Alan also referred to a recent DPNR report which described part of the Jilliby Creek as pristine and addressed Longwall mining. Unless there is proof of no impact on water systems the project should not go ahead. Alan said the coal is going to Korea and is of no benefit to the Central Coast, it is an unacceptable impact.</p> <p>Mike Campbell declared it was a throw away line in the Project Description that water would be safeguarded as the industry track record shows</p>	<p>million to produce the Environmental Assessment report (EIS).</p> <p>Peter Smith confirmed the Company will do what it must to comply with regulatory obligations and important environmental assessment requirements by identifying and addressing key risks and developing appropriate management plans and processes. The EA report (EIS) will reflect this.</p> <p>Tom Hole advised there is still viable coal outside the area, so the door is open. The area would stay as a Mine Subsidence area.</p> <p>Peter Murray suggested that we should direct our concerns with a set of conditions and a set timetable to the Government and target the people who make the decisions.</p>	
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	<p>destruction of water systems.</p> <p>Mike Campbell also said although the plan says minimal impact there is nothing to say the Company will not apply for expansion at a later date.</p> <p>Mike Campbell also referred to Longwall Top Coal Caving and Austar, and whether this was planned at this project.</p> <p>Warwick O'Rourke referred to a 1 page Advertisement in September by Wallarah 2 Coal Project in which it said a viable mine was possible, while the same Ad says the Company is undergoing environmental, engineering and mining exploration. Mr O'Rourke alleged that this statement is very premature, it is early days just yet.</p> <p>Alan Hayes reported on the Public Meeting and said people were not happy with the prospect of having a mine in a water catchment area.</p>	<p>Peter Smith replied that if there was application for expansion it would be subject to public review.</p> <p>Peter Smith advised it was not the Company's proposal or intention to do that at this time.</p> <p>Cr Best said it was one of the best Public Meetings he'd been engaged in. People in the community are concerned.</p>	
NEXT METING	Monday 12 February 2007	3.30 PM	
MEETING CLOSED	4.45 PM		