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## CHARBON COLLIERY: COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES MEETING 7/5/07

**Present:** Grant Watson (Charbon Mine Manager), Brad Radloff (Charbon Environmental Co-ordinator), Marilyn Bennett (Community Representative), Alan Jackson (Community Representative).

**Apologies:** Reg Hadley (Community Representative), Mal Stokes (Chairman)

- 1) Members were welcomed to the Committee and the agenda reviewed.
- 2) Previous minutes from the Committee Meeting on 6/11/06 were accepted after noting minor changes.
- 3) Review of 2007 YTD Key Environmental Data by Brad Radloff
  - EPA Licence- There had been no non-compliance with the conditions of the EPA Licence in 2006.
  - Noise – Noise monitoring had been undertaken generally on a 3 monthly basis as outlined in the SOC Consent Management Plans. All results obtained in 2007 complied with consent limits.
  - Compliance with the Southern Open Cut development consent was high as indicated through a recent independent external compliance audit.
  - Blasting commenced in the last 6 mth period. All blast results to date have complied with licence requirements.
  - Community Complaints – 2 Community Complaints had been received in 2007. The complaints were:

- in relation to the light in the Southern Open Cut being operated after 10.00 pm at night on the night. The complaint was received at 9.58 pm and the lights went off at 10.00 pm. The resident was satisfied that the lights went off at 10.00 pm.

- in relation to blast overpressure being higher than usual and rattling windows and plates in the cupboard on the 8.3.07. The issue was investigated and it was found that a cloud between the blast and the receptor may have caused the increase in overpressure. A blast monitor located at the residence for the next blast. The resident was satisfied with the response.

4) Water – Grant Watson provided an update on the low availability of water at the site and the measures that had been undertaken by mine management to provide a continued supply of water for site operations. Grant indicated that the mine had commenced sourcing water stored in the underground workings and from recently drilled groundwater bores located near the washery. These measures had meant that no water was currently being drawn from Reedy Creek Dam which remains quite low.

5) Review of Mining over the Past 6 Month Period – Open Cut Mining has continued in the southern open cut and underground mining in the 800/900 area over the last 6 months. The total mine production for the 2007 calendar year is planned to be approximately 1.1 Mt of which 600 kt is planned from the southern open cut and 500 kt from the underground operation. The area of mining in the southern open cut will be inspected on the site inspection.

6) Review of Management Plans – Brad Radloff relayed that the Management Plans (Noise, Dust, Flora and Fauna, Erosion and Sediment Control, Compensatory Habitat etc.), Environmental Monitoring Program and Environmental Strategy had been reviewed and were to be forwarded to the CCC members for comment. These documents will be sent out as hard copies with the minutes of this meeting.

7) Site Inspection – An inspection of the southern open cut and third entry rehabilitation area was undertaken.

8) General Business – The matter of finding a replacement member for Reg Hadley (who has verbally indicated he would resign) was tabled. Grant Watson indicated that he had approached Les Dawson (near neighbour) who had accepted the offer to join the committee and should do so at the next meeting.

9) **Next meeting - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2007 at 10:00 am at Charbon Colliery.**

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