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## MINUTES COMBINED CCC MEETING INVINCIBLE / CULLEN VALLEY MINES

5<sup>th</sup> December 2012 (10am to 11.34pm)

Mr Greg Barton (Chairman- Cullen Valley Mine/Invincible Colliery) was unavailable due to an urgent family commitment that morning.

Meeting asked if Coalpac representative Grant Medlock (HSEC Compliance Manager) would be acceptable to Chair the meeting.

No objections were raised from all present. Meeting commenced.

Josh St Clair - Minute taker

#### Invitees:

Coalpac

Grant Medlock (GM), Graham Goodwin (GG), Ben Eastwood (BE) and Ian Follington (IF).

**Invincible Colliery** 

Barbara Milne (BM), Mark Butts (MBu) and Katrena Frazer (KF)

**Cullen Valley Mine** 

Barry Fitzgerald (BF), Reg Larkin (RL), Michael Bulkeley (MB),

Lithgow City Council

Frank Inzitari (FI), Ross Higlett (RH), Skye Ellacott (SE), Jessica Heath (JH)

Coalpac Visitors - Josh St Clair (JSC) and Greg Thompson (GT)

#### Present:

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Grant Medlock (GM), Graham Goodwin (GG), Ben Eastwood (BE) and Ian Follington (IF).

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Apologies: G Barton (Chair), Katrina Frazer (Invincible), R Larkin (Cullen Valley)

<u>Declaration of Pecuniary interests:</u> There were no pecuniary interests declared. Matter of temporary Chairperson agreed by all present.





# **Confirmation of Previous Minutes:**

 Minutes of previous meeting (15<sup>th</sup> August 2012) presented and accepted by members & chairman. True and correct by I Follington. Seconded by G Goodwin

# **Prepared Agenda**

Distributed to all members.

## 1. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PRIOR MINUTES:

Action plan presented for 15/8/12 meeting.

Actions reviewed:

Action	Response
Cullen Valley – drain pipes on access	Pipes and drains checked. Recently cleared and pipe
road	capacity sufficient. Complete.
Add Coalpac newsletter to website	Complete.
Blast signage & notification	Information displayed as soon as blast confirmed and advertisements and phone calls to those on blast notification register completed. Complete.
Cullen Valley - haul road safety ramp	Reviewed against approval requirements for haul road safety ramp/exit requirements. Complete.
Fire control on biodiversity grass areas	Fire issues addressed as per Fire Management Plan. All actions coordinated with RFS and emergency services. Review of Biodiversity management for potential use of a burn off with new approvals. Complete.
R Larkin request for paper copy of Response to Submissions	Complete.

## 2. CORRESPONDENCE

Letter from Agnes Tilley tabled – thank you for GM assistance at Portland/Cullen Red Cross function.

Committee advised of final meeting of current committee (dependant on approval timeframe) Communication from Cullen Bullen Public school received regarding Christmas presentations.





#### 3. COMPANY REPORTS:

#### **OPERATIONAL**

- GM presentation operational and general business issues.
- Forecast 1.3Mt of production for 2012 CY
- Cullen Valley Mine will be placed into care and maintenance in December 2012 pending receipt of future approvals. Invincible Colliery will exhaust currently approved reserves in February 2013.
- All blasting completed at Invincible Colliery and Cullen Valley Mine under current approvals.
- 40ha of rehabilitation completed in 2012

#### **ISSUES FROM SITE INSPECTIONS**

Meeting advised of the following:

 Planning Assessment Committee, Environmental Protection Authority, Department of Resource and Energy and Office of Environment and Heritage inspections completed since August 2012 meeting.

#### MONITORING / ENVIRONMENTAL PERFORMANCE

- BE presented on how we monitor environmental performance and highlighted the noise, water and air quality monitoring sites. Also outlined good environmental compliance performance.
- MB commented that the location of the Invincible Colliery high volume dust sampler means it measures "everybody's dust" (Power station/Ivanhoe North Mine/forestry/roads). GM – agreed.
- Water- Nil discharges from either site since last meeting.
- Noise discussed- Cullen Valley Mine noise bund works completed and rehabilitated.
- Blasting discussed- nil exceedance from last meeting.
- All compliance reports submitted and completed within allowed timeframes (NPI/NGERS) and available for review on Coalpac website <a href="https://www.cetresources.com">www.cetresources.com</a>
- Cullen Valley Mine underground heating completion of works on BF property, ongoing
  project works for further heating project, this is currently being reviewed by DRE.
- 20 ha at Invincible Colliery and 20ha at Cullen Valley Mine under rehabilitation in 2012.
   Seeding completed.

#### **COMMUNITY COMPLAINTS AND RESPONSES**

- GM presented the complaints register (raw data). Noise, air quality, blasting, traffic and other categories (41 complaints from 12 individuals, in total between the two mining operations).
- GM indicated our process to record complaints. Results will be recorded in the Annual Environmental Management Report for 2012.

# 4. INFORMATION FEEDBACK TO COMMUNITY

- Voluntary Planning Agreement signed with Lithgow Council with the community of Cullen Bullen as the focus of this agreement. Further information to be released into 2013 to inform community by Community Liaison Officer (GM).
- Dedicated community contact number and message bank 02 6350 6305.





- Community Support: Sponsorship of the local Portland Car Club speedway seasonal events.
- Discussion regarding Biodiversity programme possibilities with University of Western Sydney Sustainability Unit have been very promising to date. Further information will be provided as this develops.
- MB expressed strong support for University involvement once approvals granted as he could see the potential benefits for the Cullen Bullen area from such collaboration.
- GM said community involvement is ongoing and we want this to be more positive going into the future.
- Meeting advised of NSW minerals Council bursary scheme support by Coalpac.
- Discussion with all present regarding CCC and issues moving forward regarding the need for a new committee under a new approval. All positions will become vacant and be advertised for nomination (as per NSW Government CCC guidelines). The existing members advised of broader input for new committee with the new VPA management requirements.
- MB suggested a public meeting at time of call for new CCC to discuss VPA and CCC benefits. This suggestion received broad support.

#### 5. GENERAL BUSINESS

- BF raised the issue of vehicles leaving flashing lights on when on highway. GM advised
  of responses and actions to remind all staff and contractors of the importance of
  compliance in this area.
- BF questioned 4 water bore locations. BE responded and clarified.
- BF questioned weed spraying process around his property. BE clarified. May require some private access but will ensure contact made prior to access.
- GM thanked all present and past members of CCC for input and efforts.
- BM asked when we would issue next newsletter- GM advised early 2013 upon news of approvals

#### 6. REPORT ON CONSOLIDATION PROJECT

IF outlined current standing of approvals process, including PAC meetings and progress.
 Some delays occurring, pushing approval process out by months. Under existing process
 Coalpac will have no further approved mining operations areas available beyond March 2013.

### 7. NEXT MEETING

- Early 2013 TBA.
- Location to be advised.
- Meeting Closed: 11.34

Minutes Reviewed by Chairperson and accepted: