

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF GLOUCESTER EXPLORATION
PROJECT, COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE,
HELD AT SCHOOL OF SCHOOL OF ARTS
DENISON STREET, GLOUCESTER
ON 29 NOVEMBER 2013**

PRESENT: Mr Terrence Healey, CHAIRMAN
Mr Grant Polwarth, GLOUCESTER RESOURCES LIMITED
Mr Bob Corbett, GLOUCESTER RESOURCES LIMITED
Ms Julie Moloney, NSW TRADE & INVESTMENT (DIVISION
OF RESOURCES AND ENERGY)
Dr Gerald McCalden
Ian Jackson
Karen Hutchinson, GREAT LAKES COUNCIL

APOLOGIES: Mr Graham Holley, GLOUCESTER RESOURCES LIMITED
Ray Dawes.

**NON-
ATTENDANCE** Mr Graham Gardner, GLOUCESTER SHIRE COUNCIL
Dr Steve Robinson, Mr Tony Tersteeg, Mr Trevor Sansom.

**OPENING OF
MEETING:** Mr Healey declared the meeting open at 10.00 am.

**CONFIRMATION
OF MINUTES OF
LAST MEETING:** Moved: Dr Gerald McCalden
Seconded: Karen Hutchinson

**BUSINESS
ARISING FROM
THE MINUTES:** Nil.

CORRESPONDENCE: Nil.

PROJECT UPDATE BY GRANT POLWARTH

- 1 On the exploration front the efforts of the Company have been focused on the Rocky Hill Coal Project during the last period so no exploration has been completed.

- 2 From a site management prospective, we have been thankful for rain. Continued with management of trees and cattle.
- 3 On the project prospective GRL had the Rocky Hill Coal Project placed on public exhibition from 28 August 2013 to 28 October 2013 which has now concluded. During that period an Information Centre voluntarily opened in King Street for two (2) days per week for 5 weeks. An excellent turnout from the community was received with a diversity of people from those seeking jobs and those who wanted to express concerns. GRL felt it was a very good process to be able to give feedback to people.

The majority of submissions were received by mid-November from the Department of Planning and Infrastructure. The process for the Company now is to review all submissions that were made during the exhibition period. Consultants and experts are working through the submissions. The next step is for GRL to prepare responses to all submissions and identify either where they have been addressed in the EIS or where subsequent work needs to be done. The Company is endeavouring to have responses done as soon as possible.

The Information Centre still set up if anyone from the CCC would like to have a look at the modelling.

Mr Healey asked who had been to the Information Centre and further reported to the Committee that the Centre was very informative and it assisted in being able to gather a better understanding of the Company's projections and then able to understand more of what the Company is talking about. Mr Healey advised that it was well presented and in Mr Healey's view the CCC members should be invited to have a look to keep a balanced view and able to report back to their contacts in the community.

Ian Jackson asked if the two outstanding submissions have been submitted to the Government?

Bob Corbett advised that during the Exhibition Period submissions go to Department of Planning from the public and government bodies. Some government bodies are slower than others. There are still a couple of submissions to come but nothing new to be expected.

Gerald McCalden asked if there is any time frame (subject to the outstanding submissions being resolved)?

Grant Polwarth advised no actual time frame has been set down, however GRL have no interest in delaying proceedings and wish to move as quickly as possible.

Terrence Healey asked Julie Moloney the amount of time this process takes, generally?

Julie Moloney advised it varies as the timing is essentially in the hands of the Company and their consultants. That timing will depend on a number of factors including Christmas, the number of submissions, the level of detail of submissions. Largely the timing is back in the hands of the Company.

Grant Polwarth confirmed that once they put the response to submissions in they would get published by the Department Planning.

Karen Hutchinson asked how many submissions were received. Grant Polwarth advised around 1,600.

Submissions are from the community and government and there are objections and support. The government submissions are mainly comments and the Company will respond to the comments.

**GENERAL
BUSINESS:**

Ian Jackson asked what is happening with the timber mill/coal loading site?

Grant Polwarth advised that they demolished the timber mill. As an outcome of that process there is a large concrete slab. A local businessman in Jack Collins who has a timber business approached GRL to use the site in the short term.

Ian Jackson asked about the potential amendments to the EIS and how big the amendments will be?

Bob Corbett advised there is scope within the submission process to amend an original application.

Ian Jackson asked Julie Moloney how GRL and AGL will work together?

Discussion took place in this respect including:

- Julie Moloney advised that it is the expectation of the two (2) companies to work co-operatively with that condition being part of the consent.
- Grant Polwarth noted that co-operation is part of the EL conditions.

Julie Moloney reminded committee members that specific approval conditions of the project are on the Department of Planning and Infrastructure website and encouraged anyone who had trouble navigating the website to ring her and she would walk them through it.

Terrence Healey thanked the Committee Members for the change of date of the meeting due to unforeseeable circumstances.

Next meeting Friday 7 March 2014 at 10.00 am

Meeting closed at 10.30 am