MINUTES OF MEETING N°30 FOR THE DONALDSON COAL MINE COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE



Wednesday 24th September 2008

DONALDSON COAL

PRESENT: Mr Milton Morris (Chairman), Mr Steven Wright, Dr Greg Steele, Mr. Bruce Doyle (Observer),

Mr Doug Gordon, Mr Mark McPherson, Mr Phillip Brown (minutes).

APOLOGIES: Mr Alick Osborne.

TIME: 4.00pm

MINUTES:

Items:

1. Opening & Welcome

1.1 Mr Milton Morris opened the meeting and welcomed the members. Mr Morris also welcomed Mr Bruce Doyle as an observer to this meeting and invited him to attend future meetings. Mr Morris noted that the Conditions of Consent only require the Committee to meet on an Annual basis.

2. Correspondence

2.1 Mr Morris advised that he had written to Mr Langman following the passing of Mrs Langman acknowledging her long commitment and involvement in the Committee. Mr Morris invited members to stand in a minute's silence in memory of Mrs Maureen Langman.

3. Business Arising from the Previous Minutes:

- 3.1 Mr Milton Morris asked whether there were any items to be raised from the minutes of the last meeting held 26th March 2007.
- 3.2 There were no changes and those present at the meeting adopted the minutes.

4. Project Update & Issues:

4.1.1 Mine Update

Mr Phillip Brown provided an update on the Mine Status via a power point presentation including:

- 1. Coal Mined since commencement (14,800,000 t)
- 2. Overburden mined (41,500,000 m³)
- 3. Current pit plan
- 4. Rehabilitation undertaken
- 5. Monitoring of Rehabilitated areas
- 6. Overpressure exceedance as a consequence of a blast on 19th July 2008.
- 7. Abel Underground has commenced operations. Coal mined to date is 35,000 t.

4.1.2 Community Update

4.2 Mr. Brown advised that there have been 10 complaints since the last meeting. Eight (8) were related to noise and to (2) were related to blasting. Mr Brown advised that lights had been installed on the excavators which were used after dark and than "Hornless horns" were to be installed on the fleet for use 24 hours per day.

5. Community Representative Comments.

- 5.1 Mr. Steve Wright advised that he did not see a need to be contacted on the days of blasts in future as the mine had progressed far enough from his property.
- 5.2 The other community representatives advised the Chairman that there were no issues to be raised.

6. Next Meeting

6.1 Mr Morris advised that he would call a meeting in 2009 at a convenient time. He did state that if there were any issues that required a meeting then he would be happy to call a meeting and discuss them with the Committee.

MEETING CLOSED: 5.00 pm.

A site inspection was undertaken by Messrs Wright, Doyle and Dr Steele at the conclusion of the meeting.

ACTIONS: Nil

ITEM: RESPONSIBILITY: TIMING:

Nil

ATTACHMENTS TO THE MINUTES:

Nil.