

**METROPOLITAN COAL
COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE
“VIRTUAL” MEETING MINUTES - 8 April 2020**

Members:

- Lisa Andrews (LA) - Independent Chairperson
- Stephen Love (SL) - Peabody Metropolitan Coal
- Jon Degotardi (JD) - Peabody Metropolitan Coal
- Allan House (AH) - CCC Member (Community Representative)
- Peter Turner (PT) - CCC Member (Community Representative)
- Kerrie Belter (KB) - CCC Member (Community Representative)
- Lorraine Rodden (LR) - CCC Member (Community Representative)

Apologies:

- Robert Scullion (RS) - CCC Member (Community Representative)
- Ron Zwicker (RZ) - Wollongong City Council delegate
- Patricia Gauci (PG) - CCC Member (Community Representative)

**Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, this meeting was conducted remotely via email. The presentation was emailed to all CCC members on the scheduled meeting date of 8 April 2020. Members were requested to review the document and provide any questions/comments within 7 days. After this time, this information was coordinated by LA and forwarded through to the company for its response. The answers were incorporated into these minutes as a record of the outcome of the engagement process.*

The subject presentation forms as an attachment to these minutes.

Introduction:

- LA sent the project presentation to the CCC on 8/4/20 at 4.27pm.

Declarations of interest:

- LA confirmed her previous declaration was unchanged. Independent Chair for the CCC approved by the Director General of Department of Planning Industry & Environment (DPIE) and engaged by Peabody.
- No changes to members' previous declarations.

Business Arising from previous meeting:

The minutes from the meeting held on 11th December 2019 were finalised on 4 January 2020 and sent through to members.

Action Items:

- 1 Metropolitan to reschedule visit to ET Crossing at next CCC Meeting. (Heldover)
- 2 Hydrograph from ridgeline piezometer to be provided to CCC. (Complete)

Correspondence Report:

- 23/12/19 - Email draft minutes for review.
- 4/1/20 – Email to members with the finalised minutes.
- 10/12/19 – Email from PT requesting results to date from the Eastern Tributary piezometer bore.
- 7/2/20 – Email from PT requesting hydrographs to date for 9GGW2B, ETGW1 and ETGW2 as well as data for rainfall and rainfall residual mass.
- 17/2/20 – Email to PT with the requested information.
- 19/2/20 – Email to members with advice on the recent SMH article regarding Peabody’s application for exploration licence.
- 2/3/20 – Email from PT requesting appendices for the 2018 AR to be made available.
- 13/3/20 – Email from PT requesting if Metropolitan Coal could provide a map/schematic of the old, bord and pillar, mine workings.
- 18/3/20 – Email to CCC members seeking confirmation of ability to attend the CCC on 8/4/20 due to the COVID-19 concerns. (Responses received from some members.)
- 4/4/20 – Email to CCC members regarding recent media articles concerning DPIE’s approval of the Longwalls 305-307 Extraction Plan.
- 24/3/20 – Email to CCC members advising that the meeting would be conducted remotely via email.
- 8/4/20 – Email to members with the project presentation and directions on how the virtual meeting would be undertaken and how to respond. Responses received from members.
- 21/4/20 – Email to SL with questions from CCC members.
- 29/4/20 – Email from SL with responses to questions for inclusion in the minutes.

Metropolitan Coal operations update – Stephen Love, Environment & Community Superintendent

A presentation was provided to the CCC with an update regarding:

- LW305-307 Extraction Plan (slides 4-5)
- 2019 Metropolitan Coal Annual Review (slides 6 - 11)
- CWR Management (slides 12-13)
- Storm Damage (slides 14-15)
- COVID 19 Management (slide 16).

Questions/Comments/Feedback from CCC members in relation to the Presentation as well as General Business Items:

MEMBER	DATE	QUESTIONS/COMMENTS	METROPOLITAN COAL RESPONSES
Kerrie Belter	9/4/20	Acknowledged that she had read the presentation – no business arising, questions or general business items. One comment: <i>We will miss the</i>	Since the update provided on 15 April an additional export order has been received which will allow rail transport of CWR to continue until July at this stage. There may

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		<i>peace and quiet when the trucks return. It's been nice.</i>	be some trucking of material, but it should be well below typical trucking volumes.
Allan House	15/4/20	Acknowledged that he had read the presentation and had no questions or matters to raise.	N/A
Peter Turner	20/4/20	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Request for the final, as approved, LW305-7 EP documents be provided or made available. 2. In relation to the WMPs note, requests an inundation plan that allows for inrush from adjacent mines. <i>Presumably this means that the mine maintains a record of water lodgement volumes and locations. If so, could the current volumes and lodgement map(s) be provided?</i> 3. Has the pillar extraction area been sealed off and, if so, is the water level monitored and, if so, could that volume be provided? If not, is the inflow included in the reported mine make? 4. It would be of assistance if the extraction height details could be provided for at least the expansion project extractions? 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Metropolitan Coal Longwalls 305-307 Extraction Plan was published on the company website last week: https://www.peabodyenergy.com/Operations/Australia-Mining/New-South-Wales-Mining/Metropolitan-Mine/Approvals,-Plans-Reports 2. The only adjacent mine boundary is the abandoned Coal Cliff Colliery to the south of Metropolitan's lease. Out of an abundance of caution the inundation plan assumes the adjacent mine is 100% flooded and maintains a suitable barrier width for safety purposes. Metropolitan Coal has not detected any water entering Metropolitan from Coal Cliff Colliery. 3. Any water from the pillar extraction area is not specifically monitored but is included in the mine water make when it reports to the mine pumping system. 4. Extraction height details are consistent throughout the project area and will vary dependent on seam thickness up to 3.2m. This is included in the Key Mining Parameters (Table 3) in the Extraction Plan Main Text.
Lorraine Rodden	21/4/20	<p>Confirmed she had read the minutes and attachments. No questions or general business items. <i>Comment: I'm please to read that extra consideration is being given to noise issues detected and agree recent dust storms from several weeks ago created filthy dust everywhere in my environment and I'm a kilometre from the mine.</i></p> <p><i>I think you have been asked to provide excessive material for PT given the State Authorities eg (water) are approving all expansion plans.</i></p> <p><i>I hope a conventional meeting will be possible in August.</i></p> <p><i>Thank you for you work updating us on activity at the mine and monitoring our local environment.</i></p>	Thanks Lorraine, it was certainly an extreme summer by many measures.

Next Meeting:

The next CCC is scheduled for Wednesday, 5th August 2020. All being well and in consultation with the company, members as well as the latest government directives concerning the COVID-19 situation, the CCC will be held on site at 5pm in the Metropolitan Coal Mine Meeting Room, Upper Administration, Helensburgh.

Meeting closed: The meeting was technically closed by the chair following responses from CCC members and the company, compiled into the draft minutes and emailed on 30/4/20.