

**SPUR HILL UNDERGROUND COKING COAL PROJECT  
COMMUNITY CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEE  
MINUTES OF MEETING HELD TUESDAY 18 NOVEMBER 2014  
AT MERTON VINEYARD, DENMAN**

<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>ORGANISATION</b>
	Margaret MacDonald-Hill (MMH)	Chair
	Aaron Moon (AM)	Community Representative
	Cr Christine Phelps (CP)	Muswellbrook Shire Council
	John Sowter (JS)	Community Representative
	Fiona Webber (FW)	Community Representative
	Tim Wolfgang (TW)	Community Representative
	Brett Keeping (BK)	Group Representative - Vignerons & Vineyards
	Julie Moloney (JM)	Division of Resources & Energy
	Wayne Seabrook (WS)	Spur Hill Management Pty Ltd (SHM)
	Graeme Booth (GB)	SHM
<b>IN ATTENDANCE</b>	Lisa Andrews (LA)	Minute Taker
	Jo Webster (JW)	Resource Strategies
	Aleks Todoroski (AT)	Todoroski Air Sciences
<b>APOLOGIES</b>	Les Jones (LJ)	Community Representative
	Susan Pickersgill (SP)	Community Representative
	Noel Downs (ND)	Group Representative - Wanaruah Local Aboriginal Land Council

**Meeting commenced at 5.35pm**

<b>WELCOME</b>	The Chair welcomed Committee Members to the meeting as well as Aleks Todoroski from Todoroski Air Sciences who will be providing a presentation to the CCC on air quality considerations in relation to the proposal.	
<b>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</b>	MMH advised that she was appointed by the Minister for Resources and Energy as the Independent Chair of the Spur Hill Community Consultative Committee.  MMH also advised that her previous declarations were unchanged and requested that any amendments to member declarations be made at this stage.	No amendments to previously stated declarations.
<b>CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES</b>	The minutes of the previous meeting of 16 September 2014 were confirmed.	<b>Moved:</b> BK <b>Seconded:</b> FW
<b>BUSINESS ARISING</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contact details of CCC members to be placed on the project website and included in future newsletters</li> <li>• Advertising of Mining Lease Applications in Hunter Valley News</li> <li>• Clarification of Section 62 requirements</li> <li>• Distribution of Glossary of Terms</li> <li>• AM provided John Kaye's letter for all CCC members</li> <li>• Information sent to Muswellbrook Shire Council for placement at the Denman Library</li> </ul>	<b>MMH noted all actions had been completed.</b>

<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>	<p><b>In:</b> 23/9/14 – Email response from SHM to John Kaye’s questions 13/11/14 – Email from CP attaching Grantley Blake’s letter</p> <p><b>Out:</b> 17/9/14 – Email to CCC with clarification from JM regarding Section 62 of the Mining Act &amp; Mining Lease Applications 23/9/14 – Email to CCC with SHM’s response to John Kaye’s questions, including email 16/9/14 24/9/14 – Email to CCC advising publication of contact details in the Denman News 29/9/14 – Email to CCC attaching draft minutes and presentation as well as advising completion of Action Items from previous meeting &amp; link to CCC on SHM website 29/9/14 – Email to Muswellbrook Shire Council forwarding minutes and request to place in Denman Library 13/10/14 – Email to CCC advising link to air quality monitoring data 17/11/14 – Email forwarding Grantley Blake’s letter to CCC</p>	<p><b>Action Item: SHM:</b> Provide a written response to Mr Blake’s letter.</p>
<b>PRESENTATION 1</b>	<p>Aleks Todoroski commenced his presentation with a handout of his presentation. Aleks stated his experience and qualifications, providing an overview of particles (and their sizes), the difference between PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> emissions and explaining how modelling will be undertaken in relation to the Project. Questions were asked throughout the presentation in regard to approved methods, clarification on cumulative effects, gas emissions and whether the modelling was retested once the mine was up and running. Aleks noted that SHM has installed a monitor that records both PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> concentrations.</p> <p>Q: Can the location of the weather stations be included in the map incorporated into the presentation documents?</p> <p>Q: What is generally the accuracy of the modelling and is the mine required to undertake any monitoring once operational?</p>	<p>Presentation distributed to all present.</p> <p><b>Action Item: AT/SHM:</b> Distribute supplementary slide with location of weather stations.</p> <p>AT: Mines are required to comply with the criteria in their consent. Modelling accuracy has improved significantly in recent years and the modelling is designed to be inherently conservative (i.e. overpredict). Accuracy for annual averages is generally within 10%.</p>
<b>PRESENTATION 2</b>	<p>GB provided CCC members with an update on the project, including the recent community</p>	<p>Presentation distributed to all present.</p>

	<p>information session, groundwater monitoring bore installation and activities at the Merton Vineyard.</p> <p>Q: What is the current timing for release of the transport infrastructure location, in relation to ongoing concerns from the community.</p> <p>Q: Are SHM planning to arrange for future presentations on issues of concern to the community such as water and flooding.</p>	<p>SHM: We are currently assessing the transport options and will advise CCC once a decision has been made as we would prefer not to speculate at this stage. SHM noted it was obliged to consult with surrounding operations about sharing their infrastructure.</p> <p>SHM confirmed this intention.</p>
<b>GENERAL BUSINESS</b>	None.	
<b>NEXT MEETING</b>	<p>The next meeting of the CCC will take place on Tuesday 17 February 2015, commencing 5.30pm at the Merton Vineyard.</p> <p>The following meeting will be held on 21 April 2015.</p>	

***Meeting closed at 7.50pm with MMH thanking all CCC members for their efforts and wishing them and their families a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.***

## **ACTION ITEMS**

<b>ITEM</b>	<b>ISSUE</b>	<b>RESPONSIBILITY</b>
1	Distribute supplementary slide with the location of weather stations	AT/SHM
2	SHM to provide CCC chair with written response to correspondence tabled at the meeting.	SHM