Coal Mine Emergency Management Taskforce

Meeting # 16 – 8 September 2015

MEETING OUTCOMES AND ACTIONS

Attendees:

Craig Lapsley (Chair)	EMC	Richard Marks (for Emily Sanders)	EPA	Nick Demetrious	AGL	Tony Ferrazza	Worksafe
Peter Schmidt	EMV	Emma Fenby	DPC	Rochelle Parker	DHHS	Leigh Bryant	EPA
Debbie Robson (minutes)	EMV	Mark Pearson	Energy Aust	Ron Mether	Energy Aust	Noel Ashford	GDF SUEZ

Guests:

Lew Short	EMV	Steve Cameron	EMV	Peter Mason	DEDJTR
(by phone)		(by phone)		(by phone)	

Apologies:

Anne Bignall	DEDJTR	Bill Johnstone	CFA	Ross McGowan	DEDJTR	Steve Rieniets	AGL
Kevin Hayes	Worksafe	Emily Sanders	EPA	Rob Kelly	Worksafe	Tony Innocenzi	GDF SUEZ
Tim Owen	DHHS	Sara Rhodes-Ward	LCC	Garry Wilkinson	GDF SUEZ	Lance King	LCC
Duncan Pendrigh (for Ross McGowan)	DEDJTR	Greg Christison	CFA				

Item 2: Actions from Meeting #15 – 11 August 2015 • TFD to distribute completed 'Standard for Managing Significant Carbon Monoxide Emissions' and 'Community Smoke Air Quality' documents Completed **Community Connections Process update** Item 3: Meeting with LCC scheduled for 21 August 2015 - postponed 26 August 2015, Emma Fenby and Clare Durnan met with Steve Cameron to introduce Clare and discuss progress/planning priorities in relation to recommendation 11 and 12 with DPC support. 31 August 2015 follow up meeting with Clare Durnan, Tanya Oshea, Rochelle Parker and Steve Cameron discussed community based approach and development of two year project plan. Community based approach to be offered to CRC and Taskforce as a method to build relationships and develop / deliver mutual outcomes. Appropriate planning and milestones will support current commitments including: o Community meetings (x2) to discuss priorities before 2015/16 fire season. Broader collaborative community resilience building approach (that will also link to recommendations 11 & 12 where appropriate). Rochelle Parker met with CRC to discuss opportunities to use community based approach - starting with community networks. Community representatives supportive and committed to start asap. Five key focus areas to support the collaborative strengths based approach include: Strengthen connections and networks

	Capture local knowledge
	o Understand hazards and risks
	o Develop goals and solutions
	o Continue to share, learn and improve
	Meeting scheduled for 10 September 2015 with Clare Durnan, Tanya Oshea, Rochelle Parker and Steve Cameron to confirm information and commitments to develop project plan and commence scheduling activities as advised.
	Propose half day workshop for taskforce develop shared goals in regards to:
	o communication between community and agencies
	o community understanding and awareness of emergency management
	• TFD and CFA OM meet with CRC regarding community safe places. Messages given are about listening to warnings and 'stepping back one block', not the creation of Neighbourhood Safe Places or evacuation.
	- Morwell is considered a low risk in terms of Bushfire
	Action: RP & DR - Organise workshop for Taskforce by 22 September 2015.
Item 4:	New Hazelwood Mine fire Inquiry
	Health hearings were held last week.
	4 days of hearings planned at end of September around health improvements, methods and opportunities for the Valley.
	Mine hearings planned for 2nd week in December 2015
	Anglesea report was tabled 2 September with positive outcomes.
Item 5:	Implementation Monitor
	Departments, agencies and GDF SUEZ have reviewed the relevant sections of the draft report. They have an opportunity

to write to the Implementation Monitor by 25 September 2015 if they have any concerns. It will be provided to the Secretary of DPC by 31 October 2015. Good progress and still work to do with linking up Industry and Government. This work is ongoing. Items 6: Planned exercise update Being held at Century Inn Traralgon 8 & 9 October 2015 Independent facilitator Dudley McCardle • Three part exercise to include, initial attack, formation of IMT team and detection analysis and monitoring of air quality and how to communicate messages, warnings and actions. Invitations to be sent in coming days. Community briefing to be conducted post exercise. Mines, Agency and LCC Updates and other business Item 7: **Energy Australia** • Completed a range of risk workshops as a result, no risks to public safety came out very high Fire management control plan has been finalised and submitted. Continuing to review and put in more pipe infrastructure Between now and end of year there will be more coal covering. **GDF SUEZ** • Hazelwood Fire Mine Inquiry 2 has been the major focus for the past week. Reviewed draft Implementation Monitor report

• Run a number of risk workshops on major mining hazards

- Ongoing works in mine.
- Knuckle area is being capped.
- Ongoing pipe work in the knuckle area.

AGL

Preparedness continuing for the up coming fire season as normal.

CFA

An apology for the meeting

EPA

• Air monitoring tender has closed, it is in negotiations and should be signed next week.

DHHS

• Nothing further to report

DEDJTR

• An apology for the meeting

LCC (provided by DHHS)

- Door knocked completed South side of Morwell.
- Running a number of Neighbourhood workshops regarding community resilience, focusing on health and well being and safety.

CRC

- CRC meeting with the Inquiry board next week
- Working with LCC regarding 'Future Morwell' project, Regional Development Victoria are providing the funding. The aim is to develop a renewal strategy.

Worksafe

Nothing further to report

DPC

Nothing further to report

TFD

- Anglesea meeting 24 September 2015 to view the work they have done regarding the closure and the covering coal.
- Peter attended and presented at the AFAC conference in Adelaide last week on the success of the Taskforce. It was well received with quite a few enquiries from interstate.
- Presenting at the Regional Manager's Forum 10 September 2015 and will ask for their ongoing support and to report on Taskforce activities.

Next Meeting: 0930 – 1100 – 13 October 2015 – CFA 20 Hazelwood Rd Morwell

Please note: The meetings from October will be held back at the former Recovery Centre at 20 Hazelwood Rd. CFA and the Taskforce will be relocating there the week of 21 September 2015.