Coal Mine Emergency Management Taskforce

Meeting # 5 – 11 November 2014 – The CIRC Boardroom 20 Hazelwood Road, Morwell

MEETING OUTCOMES AND ACTIONS

Attendees:

Craig Lapsley EMC (Chair) Kylie White DSDBI Anne Bignell DSDBI Rob Kelly VWA

Kevin Hayes VWA Nick Demetrios AGL David Curtain GDF Suez (by phone) Tony Innocenzi GDF Suez

Lance King LCC John Mitchell LCC Ron Mether Energy Australia Mark Jones CFA

Sara Rhodes-Ward LCC Mark Pearson Energy Australia Brad Miller Energy Australia Liz Ratcliffe EPA

Rochelle Parker DHS Peter Schmidt EMV(Acting Chair) Debbie Robson EMV

Apologies: Steve Rieniets AGL Allan Rankin CFA Luc Dietvorst GDF Suez

Steve Harkins GDF Suez

Welcome and apologies

Actions from Meeting 28 October 2014:

Structure and key priorities for meeting 11 November 2014 is to address prevention activities, preparedness capability and air monitoring capacity together with normal item updates.

Refer implementation plan section for key outcomes.

Communication Strategy:

Communication Group status and coordination

Outcome:

EMC advised Mr Lachlan Quick is being appointed to EMV to coordinate the communications group, he will be reporting to TFD.

Next meeting of the communications group to be conducted immediately following the next Taskforce meeting on 25 November at Yallourn. Arrangements underway.

Works to be completed to document identified learning's from recovery actions completed in the community for consideration and documenting in new comms plan.

Key workshopping for communications strategy progression and key messaging a priority for the Taskforce meeting of 9 December 2014.

Latrobe Valley Improvement Plan: This item to be retained in meeting notes for continual revision

Each member agency and mine provided a brief on their current implementation status, the detail of which is to be captured by the Taskforce by personal contact with each of the members for detailed plan updating.

Member Organisation Latrobe City Council

Action

- 700 fire prevention notices distributed
- Monthly meetings with Energy Australia
- Major industry inspections to take place with mines, APM & HPV
- Map being produced to show risk areas
- VFRR processes in use

Action to be completed – land use map to indicate split between public

	and private land tenures to be completed.		
	A letter from EMC to LCC to request mapping TBA		
AGL – Loy Yang	 Fire prevention Management plan completed for management of land surrounding the mine for the management of vegetation types and fuel reduction. 		
GDF SUEZ – Hazelwood	 Works being completed for vegetation management and fuel reductions for 3,5k hectares of land surrounding mine. Key works estimated to be completed by December. 		
	 Work progress identified at community briefings on 24 October 2014 to be verified and included in implementation plan. 		
Energy Australia - Yallourn	Action: Achievements in relations to works on Northern batters to be captured.		
	Presentation provided detailing fire prevention activities being conducted by Energy Australian these include:		
	Water tankers on site over summer		
	Water resources		
	Fire service pumps		
	• Equipment		
	Additional clay/sand cover of exposed coal		
	Slashing program		

	• Roads
	Personnel and planning
	Action – standard template across the mines to be developed in
	consultation with mine operators.
	 New Operations Manager for district 27 appointed to start 1st week
CFA	December on familiarisation and planning for introduction of new
	District in April 2015.
	Brigade briefings well underway
	Follow up on outcomes of post season briefings 2013/2014 underway
	underway
	Matters for action identified and progressed at the Strategic
	Operations meeting on 21 October 2014 discussed. These are to be formally documented in the implementation plan and followed up
	by appropriated parties as required.
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EPA	
LPA	Monitors in place in Morwell South and East and Traralgon
	Particulate monitors in place at Moe and Churchill
	Smoke travel blanket (mobile) available
	Working with Tasmanian EPA and commercial vendors to identify
	additional equipment requirements.

VWA	 Mine verification process completed for Hazelwood during September with final report yet to be released Prescribed mines self – assessment tools now available online.
DBDBI	 Securing expertise jointly to build new regulatory framework Action: Verification to be undertaken regarding Geo tech work and VicRoads involvement in Northern batters rehabilitation works to be followed up.
DHS	 Red Cross to complete doorknocking during December (welfare check) ongoing recovery process. Discussions regarding resourcing with CFA are underway.

Building Our Plan:	Next Steps/ Actions	Responsible	Due Date:
Implementation monitor addressing Latrobe City Executive and Councillors in conjunction with presentation on Taskforce conducted 11 November 2014.	Completed	TFD	11 November 2014
Plans to meet implementation monitor team to devise reporting framework underway.	Ongoing	TFD	ТВА
Implementation Monitor – Neil Comrie to be invited to Taskforce meeting	Invite as part of meeting with Brian Hine	TFD	ТВА

Communication Strategy:	Next Steps / Actions	Responsible:	Due Date:
Communication Group status and coordination	Recognised Resource requirements to be investigated	EMV	ASAP
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Next meeting of the communications group to be conducted immediately following the next Taskforce meeting on 25 November at Yallourn. arrangements underway.	Meeting 25 November 2014	TFD	25 November 2014
Works to be completed to document identified learning's from recovery actions completed in the community for consideration and documenting in new comms plan.	ASAP	rcc	ASAP
Key work for communications strategy progression and key messaging a priority for the Taskforce meeting of 9 December 2014. Communications to be managed around upcoming election. Planned releases and communications to be planned for 1 st /2 nd week of Dec	9 December 2014	Comms group	9 December 2014

Other Business:	Next Steps/Actions:	Responsible:	Due Date:	
Surf Coast Taskforce meeting 14 November 2014	Arranged	TFD	14 November 2014	
Arrangements for meeting 25 November and field visitation discussed	Underway	TFD	25 November 2014	

Next Meeting:

25 November 2014

0900 - 1100 Hours

Field visitations / Yallourn and Hazelwood

Strezelecki Room Yallourn Mine Agenda and map to be sent with invitation