

**MINUTES**  
**MEETING # 10**  
**Intermodal Logistics Centre**  
**Community Liaison Committee (CLC)**

Location: ILC  
Enfield Site Office, Cosgrove Rd, Enfield  
**Date:** Wednesday 9 November 2011  
**Time:** 4.30pm

**Attendees**

**Community Members:**

Jenny Maddocks

**Independent Chair**

Ian Colley

**Minutetaker**

Sandra Spate

**Sydney Ports Corporation:**

Shane Hobday

Virginia Mullins

Stephen Zaczkiwicz

Ricardo Prieto-Curiel

**Apologies:** George Campbell, Ross Edwards

**1. Project Update**

Jenny noted a discrepancy between the draft minutes for August's meeting and the final version, in that the draft minutes stated that regarding the sub station 11KV works the electricity supply works would be through existing conduits and would therefore not involve removal of many trees. This was changed in the final version to say there would be some impacts on existing trees.

Ricardo noted that an ecological assessment of the 11kV route indicated that approximately 95% would be through existing conduits, and therefore most trees would be unaffected. There are two areas where a few trees would be affected. This would need removal of several on Cosgrove Road and affect a few trees near the slip lane. Council had participated in a walk the 11kV route around where trees to be affected were identified.

The Chair raised the procedural issue of making major changes to the substance of the minutes without notice to the Committee. It was agreed that members be notified of significant changes to the minutes.

**1. Project Update and Onsite Issues**

*Onsite issues presentation by Stephen Zaczkiwicz*

Stephen reported that the project had slowed over recent weeks, largely due to weather conditions. He brought to the meeting's attention the discovery of asbestos contamination in Stockpile 5.

The original Environmental Assessment identified areas requiring remediation, which was carried out and these are now certified as remediated.

The only uncertainties were with the four stockpiles and Mt Enfield.

Studies undertaken didn't predict contamination in stockpiles, but acknowledged that some hot spots may exist. Samples taken from stockpiles revealed some contamination due to asbestos, mainly in stockpile 5. Of 70 samples taken low levels of asbestos were found in 40, which could be as low as one fibre, but 7 samples were above reporting criteria.

Ricardo reported that NSW has no benchmark criteria regarding the level of asbestos contamination in soils considered to be negligible, so the Western Australia criteria based on weight of 0.001% is used.

This is based on sandy, dusty soils of WA, and below the criteria soil is considered clean. He noted that based on these criteria contamination levels in the stockpiles are considered very low.

Stephen noted two issues relating to asbestos contamination. One is long term management which is considered not be an issue as material from the stockpiles would be sealed under the pavements or in the case of Mt Enfield under 100mm of clean fill in accordance with the accredited Site Auditor requirements.

Although it is considered low level contamination, the other issue is construction and protection of workers. Leightons is responsible for the movement of material. Leightons intend on using a certified AS provider (certified in the handling of asbestos) in relation to Stockpile 5. The AS provider (EnviroPacific) will develop a contamination management plan and supervise the work to be undertaken by Leightons. The management plan details the OH&S compliance regime to be undertaken and includes fencing of the area, rigorous dust mitigation measures, and controlled movement in and out of the area for personell and equipment and use of air conditioned plant and equipment.

Sampling of other stockpiles has detected some hot spots. The AS provider will remove the hot spots before work proceeds on the rest of the stockpile. Leightons is responsible at all times for adherence to safety guidelines.

The high clay and moisture content of the soil within the stockpiles is an advantage as fibres cling to the clay.

Ricardo reported that to date no single asbestos fibres in the air has been detected by monitoring. There are real time dust monitoring gauges at the boundary of the site connected to the website and asbestos monitors on site.

Jenny asked how samples were taken.

Ricardo replied it was with boreholes to different depths.

Stephen reported that results have been provided to the auditor who has deemed stockpile material suitable for being placed under ILC pavements and at Mt Enfield under 100mm of clean fill. As part of best practice for long term management of contaminated fill approximately 10 per cent of all samples are tested at a second laboratory. All test results have been provided to Leighton Contractors for consideration in conjunction with their hygienist Noel Arnold and Associates. SPC is waiting to be formally informed by Leightons on their methodology. The CLC will be advised before Leightons commence processing Stockpile 5, potentially by email if works commence before next meeting. Ricardo emphasised that management of fill contaminated with asbestos is about ensuring no air borne contaminated dust beyond the boundary of the management area, (that is, it is not an issue if located in the ground or stockpiles). A lot of industrial sites with fill in Australia contain some asbestos.

Virginia asked whether the WA guidelines would be adopted nationally or in NSW.

Ricardo replied that there is a review of national guidelines with WA's to be adopted nationally, and then by the states.

The Chair asked how the timeframe for work had been affected.

Stephen replied that Leightons intend to use the same plant and equipment, but ensure dust suppression is appropriate for the stockpiles so a loss in productivity isn't expected.

Jenny asked whether other contaminants had been tested for.

Ricardo replied that they were with the two previous samplings. All were within parameters for industrial land use.

#### Project Update by Virginia Mullins

It was reported that Virginia is now the project coordination manager and is the interface between construction and tenants and operators.

Virginia reported that Heather Mattes, Sydney Ports General Manager Property and Asset Management would like to present to the next meeting.

Advertisements have been placed in newspapers for lessees for warehouses. Sydney Ports hopes to gauge the market. Heather will update the CLC at the next meeting. The Intermodal operator, Hutchison, is already under an agreement for lease.

There has been a presentation to the Property Council.

Stephen reported that Hutchison is designing works on site. At this stage the storage container area won't be developed until the critical mass is reached where this becomes necessary.

Jenny asked what happens if the empty container area is not developed.

Virginia responded that Hutchison is responsible for maintenance under their lease.

Stephen replied that they will need to comply with Management Plans for the sub grade.

Jenny asked what is happening with the Cosgrove Road light industrial area.

Virginia replied that nothing is happening with this yet. Stephen suggested they are waiting till until expressions of interest for the warehouse areas are assessed. Areas W and X will come up earlier. They will be sold with development approval for two storey light industrial for the approved land use. Value increases with certainty of planning approval. The Area F and G sites are also to be advertised for warehousing. Industry is supportive of incorporating warehousing on site.

## **2. Review of comments on Mt Enfield Plan and Modification Status**

### Presentation Ricardo Prieto-Curiel

Ricardo reported that after the modification application was submitted to the Department of Planning, it was placed on public exhibition and responses provided by Sydney Ports to every submission received. The Department of Planning have issued draft Conditions of Approval and received further comments from Strathfield Council. The application has now gone to the Minister for determination. Additional information has been provided to Strathfield Council in line with their submissions, and the requirements of the draft conditions.

Leightons are providing the Construction Environmental Management Plan. After comments from Jenny and Council there have been some changes to the draft Mt Enfield Enhancement, Revegetation and On-Going Landscape Management plan, particularly in regard to plant species with three different species and ground cover being used on the eastern side of Mt Enfield.

## **3. Potential for replace members**

Virginia reported that Mike Johnson from Fairfax Printers would like to replace David Bonner on the committee.

## **5. Question and Answer Section**

Jenny asked where the 100mm of clean topsoil for Mt Enfield would come from. Topsoil has always been one of the issues here - the time taken to revegetate Mt Enfield, and whether the topsoil would come from on site or off site.

Stephen noted this issue is receiving attention of SPC, but they need to wait on the reports on the other stockpiles. He would take the question on notice.

**Action:** SPC (Stephen) to respond to the issue of the source of the clean top soil for Mt Enfield.

Jenny asked what the likely flow on effect for Enfield would be from the proposed sale of Port Botany. Shane replied that Enfield had not been mentioned as part of the proposed long term lease (99 years) of Port Botany Expressions of interest have recently been called from organisations to undertake the scoping study. NSW Treasury is managing this process, with input from SPC but it is in the early stages of something like an 18 month timetable. He understands that they are only talking about Port Botany at this stage.

Jenny asked where this placed SPC in terms of management.

Shane reported that navigation safety, piloting and general port safety will still be under SPC control. SPC will also continue to operate land at Sydney Harbour.

## **6. Other Business/next meeting**

The next meeting is proposed for Wednesday 7 December.

These minutes have been endorsed by the Chair, Ian Colley