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QGC Northern Gas Field Community Committee
Wednesday 22 February 2012
Wandoan Customer Service Centre, 6 Henderson Road

1. Opening

The tenth meeting of the QGC Northern Gas Field Community Committee was called to order at 2.35pm on Wednesday 22 February 2012 at the Wandoan Customer Service Centre, facilitated by Mr Jim Cavaye, Independent Facilitator.

2. Attendees

The following people attended the QGC Northern Gas Field Community Committee meeting:

QGC Northern Gas Field Community Committee Members	QGC Representatives
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Cecilia Donohoe, Wandoan Liaison Group• Sharn Pogan, Miles SHS P&C• Cecily Brockhurst, Murilla Community Centre• Helen Devlin, Wandoan Chamber of Commerce• Joe Abbot, Murilla Landcare• Glen Strandquist, Miles Chamber of Commerce• Bryan Power, Wandoan SS• Kylie Bourne, Western Downs Regional Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Angus Hetherington, Manager Condamine Power Station• Oliver Blennerhassett, Land & Community Superintendent• Zoe Carroll, Lead Community Relations Advisor• Bill Spencer, Pipelines Consultant• Corinne Kennedy, Land & Community Manager Pipelines
Apologies	Independent Facilitator
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rachel Kerwick, Miles Chamber of Commerce• Lavinia Tyrell, Western Downs Regional Council• Ann Hoare, Miles Health Service• Tom Clarke, North Area Asset Manager	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Jim Cavaye, School of Agriculture and Food Sciences, University of Queensland

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3. Meeting agenda

The following items of business were discussed as per the meeting agenda:

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a. Introductions and meeting overview	<p>Jim Cavaye led roundtable introductions of Community Committee members and QGC representatives.</p> <p>Jim Cavaye gave a broad overview of the meeting format.</p>
b. Safety moment	<p>Jim Cavaye invited Committee members to share a safety moment.</p> <p>Angus Hetherington spoke about the importance of properly securing and checking loads on vehicles.</p>
c. Actions from previous meeting	<p>Jim Cavaye reviewed the actions from the previous meeting.</p> <p>Water</p> <p>Zoe Carroll reminded the Committee that at the last meeting QGC had agreed to present on the implications of the Queensland Water Commission's Underground Water Impact Report (UWIR) for the Surat once available. This report has not yet been published; it is expected in May. In the meantime, QGC is undertaking bore baseline assessments and installing a detailed monitoring framework. Our own internal groundwater modelling shows negligible impacts in the aquifers above and below the Walloon Coal Measures in the coming years. We are waiting for the UWIR to independently confirm our assessment. We have committed to making good impacts on water bores affected by coal seam gas activities. How we do this (i.e. deepening bores, compensation, carting water) will be agreed in negotiation with landholders.</p> <p>A Committee member asked how QGC will know whether a bore has been affected by CSG or grazing activity. Zoe Carroll replied that the bore baseline assessment will give us a snapshot of bores from which changes can be tracked.</p> <p>A Committee member asked about the company's approach to bores on neighbouring properties. Zoe Carroll replied that QGC is conducting the bore baseline assessment for all bores in our tenements. The UWIR will further allocate responsibilities to the CSG proponents for areas outside their tenements to conduct monitoring.</p>

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	<p>Medical services Zoe Carroll informed the Committee that QGC had been in contact with Miles Health Service (MHS). MHS is monitoring presentations to the centre. QGC and other CSG proponents are collaborating with local medical services, including hospitals and ambulance services, with a view to establishing a health committee. The committee will monitor impacts linked to CSG-related population growth and investigate areas of mutual support. One example is the Aero Medical Evacuation (AME) Service funded by QGC and the other CSG proponents.</p> <p>The AME supports two helicopters in the Surat, which respond to both gas-related and community incidents. Since it launched in April 2011, the AME has conducted over 50 missions in the Surat; more than three-quarters were to assist community members. The service can be accessed through dialling 000 and the decision to deploy the helicopters is made by the emergency services on the basis of clinical need.</p> <p>Weeds Zoe Carroll told the Committee that QGC conducts weed surveys prior to the construction of CSG infrastructure or seismic surveys. QGC does not survey whole properties, but the site likely to be impacted by CSG activity. Landholders should contact their land access consultant for further information.</p> <p>Window on Wandoan Zoe Carroll informed the Committee that QGC had contacted the editor of Window on Wandoan. QGC is investigating ways to incorporate the Window on Wandoan's publishing deadlines, which differ from those of other local publications QGC uses. The Committee suggested that the Window on Wandoan would be flexible if QGC gave advanced notice of when copy would be available.</p> <p>Bushfire risk management Zoe Carroll told the Committee that since we had last met QGC attended a meeting with the Wandoan fire brigade. QGC is in close contact with the rural fire brigades. In the event of a fire, QGC can be notified through the rural fire brigades or via the QGC Community Hotline 1800 030 443. The QGC Community Hotline is monitored 24/7.</p>

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	<p>A Committee member asked whether QGC is in contact with the other fire brigades around Wandoan. Zoe Carroll replied that she would find out ahead of the next meeting.</p> <p>Action: report back on fire brigades consulted (Zoe Carroll)</p> <p>Payment advice Zoe Carroll informed the Committee that any contractors seeking remittance advice should contact their contract owner in QGC.</p> <p>Communications and pipeline laying Zoe Carroll said that on the suggestion of a Committee member, QGC's Senior Vice Presidents Jim Knudsen and Sandy Nairn had met with northern collection header landholders yesterday. The feedback from QGC representatives was that the meeting was extremely informative and provided QGC with a better understanding of the issues and some practical solutions, namely removing plastic bunting, ensuring gaps in pipeline stringing to allow stock movements and mustering to occur, and improving communications.</p> <p>A Committee member present at the meeting said that the meeting had been well received by the landholders who left happier. The Committee member stressed the importance of communication.</p> <p>Housing Zoe Carroll provided an update on housing. Since our last meeting, the Western Downs Regional Council Housing Strategy – funded by QGC – has been published and is available online. QGC and the other CSG proponents have met with Council and the Coordinator General to progress the housing strategy. QGC remains committed to investing in affordable and social housing. QGC's Integrated Housing Strategy approved by the Coordinator General in 2011 committed \$5.2 million to affordable and social housing.</p>
<p>d. Adoption of minutes</p>	<p>Jim Cavaye asked the Committee to formally consider the 9 November 2011 minutes and asked for suggested changes.</p> <p>The 9 November 2011 Northern Gas Field Community Committee minutes were adopted.</p>
<p>e. Community</p>	<p>Jim Cavaye invited Committee members to share feedback</p>

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feedback	<p>from their networks.</p> <p>Housing The Committee reiterated that the affordable housing situation is critical and stressed the need for the company to assist by implementing a practical solution soon. The average rental price of a house in Wandoan was reported by the Chinchilla News as \$650 per week.</p> <p>In Miles there is a shortage of stock. The Murilla Community Centre is helping people find shared housing. In Wandoan, much of the land is crown land; however, Council does have some blocks to develop. In addition, there is an existing Housing Association which can be expanded and will even co-fund.</p> <p>Jim Cavaye reminded the Committee that QGC is one stakeholder in housing. The Western Downs Regional Council and the Department of Housing being the key players.</p> <p>Zoe Carroll said that QGC is working with Council to meet our commitment as outlined in the IHS. The Committee asked QGC to consider:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Using a portion of worker accommodation camps for community housing• Renting accommodation for housing stressed individuals• Developing Council / Housing Association land in Wandoan• Assistance to access available stock <p>Action: Zoe Carroll to provide the company with the suggestions to consider and provide an update at the next meeting.</p> <p>Environmental Authorities A Committee member asked where the public can download QGC's Amendment Application to the Environmental Authority. Zoe Carroll agreed to supply the link by email.</p> <p>Action: Zoe Carroll to send Committee members the link to the Amendment Application.</p> <p>Pipeline A Committee member repeated issues raised by two</p>

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	<p>landholders on QGC's collection header including notice of access, changes to land access consultants and weed certification. Corinne Kennedy said she would contact the landholders.</p> <p>Action: Corinne Kennedy to contact the individuals directly.</p> <p>Oliver Blennerhassett told the Committee that there would be more of a presence from the QGC Land and Community team in Wandoan. One focus of the team is access notifications.</p> <p>Wash down facility A Committee member asked whether the Wandoan wash down facility had someone to produce wash down certificates.</p> <p>A Committee member reported a break out of Parthenium along the Jackson Road.</p> <p>Action: Zoe Carroll to find out about the certificate process at the Wandoan wash down and inform QGC of Parthenium location.</p> <p>A Committee member reported that some drivers ask at the service station for the locations of wash down facilities.</p> <p>Corinne Kennedy replied that all QGC pipeline drivers and contractors are given the locations of wash down facilities. A weed survey has been conducted for the entire pipeline route. Areas of small weed infestations are cordoned off and isolated, and in properties with larger infestations QGC has weed wash downs at the entrances and exits. Wash down facilities are also at the pipeline contractor camps. There are stretches without wash down facilities as the weed survey has found no weeds along these areas.</p> <p>All employees and contractors undergo inductions which set out the company's expectations for weed management and the rules staff must follow. Regular toolbox meetings reiterate these messages.</p> <p>Corinne Kennedy said that QGC will take disciplinary action against those who do not follow QGC's weed management policies and encouraged Committee members to report any driver who cannot produce a weed certificate by calling the QGC Community Hotline 1800 030 443.</p>

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	<p>Erosion A Committee member asked whether there was only one crew to repair erosion along the pipeline. Corinne Kennedy replied that she would enquire.</p> <p>Action: Corinne Kennedy to confirm number of erosion crews.</p> <p>Driving A Committee member reported that drivers were not driving to the conditions with heavy vehicles becoming bogged in the wet weather. It was suggested that trucks do not attempt these roads in wet conditions. It was advised that on Giligulgul Road there are several blind corners for which drivers must slow.</p> <p>Action: Zoe Carroll to pass on information to QGC contract owners and northern QGC teams.</p> <p>Pests A Committee member said that wild dogs have been seen on Delga Park and asked whether QGC would conduct a baiting program with neighbouring landholders. Zoe Carroll agreed to investigate.</p> <p>Action: QGC to investigate pest control on Delga Park.</p> <p>Volunteering A Committee member recommended QGC promote volunteering in the community amongst its staff. Angus Hetherington replied that QGC does have policies in place that allow staff to volunteer and a number of people from Condamine Power Station volunteer, including in the Miles Junior Rugby Club and at the Australian Rules Club in Chinchilla.</p>
<p>f. Condamine Power Station update</p>	<p>Angus Hetherington provided an update on Condamine Power Station. Key points were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CPS has appointed its second female production technician. QGC is very serious about opportunities for women in the resource sector. • CPS is also creating opportunities for young people. A university graduate has just completed a three month placement and CPS has had an administration trainee. A second trainee and a fitter and turner apprentice are due to start shortly. • Local contractors are currently working on projects at

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	<p>CPS including painters and decorators, earthworks, electricians, and a Miles-based business completing small fabrication works.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Windibri Water Treatment Plant will send clean water to CPS for the cooling system which will improve efficiency and reduce the number of times water will have to be changed. • Activity is taking place on QGC's Bellevue block near CPS with the construction of a field compressor station.
<p>g. QGC update</p>	<p>Zoe Carroll passed on the apologies of Tom Clarke who could not attend today. Zoe Carroll presented the QCLNG update on his behalf. Key points were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PL 398 and PL 277 granted • Construction remains focused on Delga Park, including earthworks and the construction of a camp and water treatment plant • The camp will accommodate 250 persons initially and then increase to 1100 late in the year • Surveys for field development continue • Wandoan office is expected to open in April • QGC and Xstrata have agreed co-development arrangements that provide for coordinated development of coal mining and QGC's gas fields where tenements overlap. Focus is on safe and efficient development of Queensland's resources • QGC expects to have wells and gathering within areas of Wandoan coal mine mining leases • Normal land access processes apply for both QGC and Xstrata. Letters to landholders will be sent in the coming weeks. • QGC is preparing for an environmental impact statement on ATP 852 during 2012. Formal consultation activities will be conducted for landholders in the area. <p>A Committee member asked whether buses will be used to transport workers to camp and reduce traffic impact. Zoe Carroll agreed to follow up.</p> <p>Action: Zoe Carroll to report back on transport arrangements to camp.</p>
<p>h. Pipeline update</p>	<p>Bill Spencer provided an update on the QCLNG pipeline. Key points were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The pipeline is being constructed by QGC's contractor,

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	<p>MCJV. The project involves:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Temporarily clearing a right of way for the construction period; typically it is 40 meters wide. This allows sufficient space for the equipment required and for vehicles to travel which service the equipment and bring fuel. • Stringing of pipe along the right of way. • Pre-trenching in areas of rock, following which the trench is then backfilled and uncovered when pipe is ready to be laid. • Welding, and then testing of the weld which is done using Automated Ultrasonic Technology, providing a 3D image of the weld. If a repair is required it is made and the weld re-tested. • Trenching and lowering pipe into the trench. • Backfilling and reinstatement including re-laying of top soil preserved during the right of way clearing. • QGC has an erosion and sediment control plan for all disturbed areas. • Coating on the pipe prevents corrosion. • A 'pipeline inspection gauge' (PIG) is used to check the pipe and defect flaws. It is used prior to the pipe becoming operational and will be used every two years following. • There will be five pipeline camps, two of which are in the Western Downs. Camp 1 is south-west of Chinchilla and Camp 2 south-east of Wandoan. Each camp is designed to accommodate up to 600 people. • Workers are in two spreads along the collection header – moving northwards from KP0 and east from Woleebee. A third spread will start in March moving north along the export pipeline from the receipt station near Wandoan. • None of the pipe has been lowered yet. The right of way has been left open longer than we would have liked. • This is due to the contractor extending their Christmas break because of the expected wet weather and agreeing the calibration of weld tests – no pipe is buried until we have checked and tested each weld. • The pipeline is due for completion by end-2013. <p>Corinne Kennedy offered a pipeline tour for any interested Committee members. Zoe Carroll said she would coordinate those interested in attending.</p>

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	<p>Action: Zoe Carroll to send invitation to Committee members for a pipeline tour.</p>
<p>i. Social investment update</p>	<p>Zoe Carroll provided a brief summary of recent social investment activities. Key points were:</p> <p>QGC Sustainable Communities Fund</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Since the launch of the SCF in January 2011, QGC has funded 61 community projects valued at more than \$2.1 million. • The successful organisations and projects are listed on QGC’s website (see http://www.qgc.com.au/01 cms/details.asp?ID=518) • We held three SCF information sessions in early February in Chinchilla, Wandoan and Tara. The sessions were well attended – more than 60 individuals came. <p>Social Impact Management Plan Partnerships</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QGC has launched two new major partnerships designed to meet commitments under the QGC Social Impact Management Plan. • SIMP partnerships are often multi-year and leverage other funding or partner contributions. <p><i>QGC Community Trainee and Apprenticeship project</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Is a three-year, \$3.5 million program to support skills development in non-CSG industries. • Intended to mitigate the potential labour draw towards CSG and supporting industries; and invest in local skills development to enable long-term community benefits. • The project will not provide salaries for apprentices or trainees – other funding sources are available – but will assist with recruitment and providing intensive mentoring, coaching and support for new starters to help retention and completion rates. • The project is managed by BUSY at Work who won a competitive tender. BUSY is a leading not-for-profit workforce planning organisation with significant expertise in community-based employment and training programs. • Individuals or businesses interested in participating should contact BUSY At Work on 13 28 79 <p><i>Good Sports</i></p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • QGC has partnered with the Australian Drug Foundation to extend the successful Good Sports program into the Western Downs. • Good Sports is a national program that has been running for over ten years. • Good Sports takes participating clubs through a three step accreditation program aimed at diversifying income away from a reliance on alcohol sales and raising awareness of liquor licensing obligations. • The program is intended to motivate responsible service and consumption of alcohol in sports settings; support the viability of clubs; and community cohesion. • The program relates to two QGC commitments: developing and implementing a rural health initiative; and developing and implementing social infrastructure partnerships. • This is the third project launched under our rural health initiative. The others being our partnership with Lifeline Darling Downs to extend free, confidential rural and financial counselling and our donation to the University of Southern Queensland's Nurses Bursary. • QGC's investment in the Good Sports program funds a Western Downs project officer to work with local sporting clubs to take them through the accreditation program. The program is free for all participating clubs. • For more information contact Alison Summerville on Alison.summerville@adf.org.au <p>Committee members asked for the contact details of the SIMP project officers to be sent by email.</p> <p>Action: Zoe Carroll to send contact details of SIMP project officers.</p>
<p>j. Items for next agenda</p>	<p>Jim Cavaye invited the Committee to propose agenda items for the next meeting.</p> <p>No items were suggested.</p>

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4. General Business

The Committee was informed that Nancy Davies was stepping down from the Committee due to other commitments. Wandoan State School is seeking a replacement for Nancy Davis. Zoe Carroll thanked Nancy on behalf of QGC for her involvement and contributions to the Committee.

5. Meeting Close

The meeting was closed by Jim Cavaye at 5.10pm

The next QGC Northern Gas Field Community Committee meeting will be on 23 May 2012 from 2:30pm to 5:00pm at the Murilla Community Centre.

6. Northern Gas Field Community Committee Members

Representative	Organisation
Helen Devlin	Wandoan Chamber of Commerce
Cecilia Donohoe	Wandoan Liaison Group
Joe Abbott	Murilla Landcare
Rachel Kerwick	Miles Chamber of Commerce
Cecily Brockhurst	Murilla Community Centre
Lavinia Tyrell	Western Downs Regional Council
Bryan Power	Wandoan SS
Sharn Pogan	Miles SHS P&C
Ann Hoare	Miles Health Service