

## MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER MEETING

6<sup>TH</sup> - 7<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2008  
HELD AT  
ELA BEACH HOTEL  
PORT MORESBY

### 1. OPENING OF THE MEETING - MONDAY, 6<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2008.

Mr Nigel R. Agonia, OBE	Chairman
Fr. Philip Gibbs	NGO - Melanesian Institute for Pastoral & Socio Economic Services
Prof. Barry Hart	Technical Advisor - Water Science Pty Ltd
Dr. Benedict Imbun	Technical Advisor - University of West Sydney
Mr Ila Temu	Country Head - Barrick (PNG) Ltd
Mr Roy Banka	Program Manager, Forest Biology Program - PNG Forest Research Institute
Mr Augustine Mungkaje	Technical Advisor - University of PNG
Dr Martha Macintyre	Senior Lecturer, Medical Anthropology - University of Melbourne
Ms Melanie Aube	Senior Operations Officer - The Foundation for Development Cooperation
Mr Wakasa Mecksane	Enga Provincial Administration
Mr Tim Omundsen	PJV Manager - Communities & Environment
Mr Mark Ernest	Manager Geotechnical Pacific - SMEC International Ltd
Ms Nadia Peni	Executive Officer

**APOLOGIES:** Dagwin Luang-Suarkia; Mellie Kaiulo; and Craig Wilson who appointed Melanie Aube to attend in his place.

The Chairman welcomed the Committee to the final meeting of PEAK for 2008, and briefly outlined the agenda for the extended two-day meeting.

**PJV REPRESENTATIVES:** Mark Fisher, Scott Whitney and Mark van Dusen.

### 2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed and *accepted as a true and correct record. Moved by Mr T. Omundsen and Seconded by Mr. B. Hart.*

It was noted that because of communication difficulties in contacting Mellie Kaiulo, if consideration be taken in setting her up with an email connection in the PJV office. M. Kaiulo been the representative for the Porgera District Women's Association.

The position remaining is for a Representative from the Porgera community.

### 3. INTRODUCTION OF NEW PEAK COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

The Chairman welcomed the new PEAK Committee Members to the October Meeting: Mr Wakasa Mecksane (Senior Officer of the Enga Provincial Administration), and Ms Nadia Peni as Executive Officer. Mr Mecksane delivered a brief presentation on his qualifications, work experience and as to how his experience and expertise could contribute to PEAK, highlighting how to sustain the province after mine closure.

#### 4. PRESENTATIONS

##### 4.1 PROGRESS REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE RIVER REPORT CARD - PRESENTED BY PROF. BARRY HART

Prof. Barry Hart, Water Science Pty Ltd delivered a detailed presentation on the progress of the State of the River Report Card, in relation to the operation of the Porgera Mine.

PEAK emphasised the importance of local community involvement in the evaluation and education of the Report Card.

##### 4.2 PRESENTATION ON THE HIV AIDS REPORT - PRESENTED BY FR. PHILLIP GIBBS

Fr. Philip Gibbs, NGO - Melanesian Institute for Pastoral & Economic Services, presented a detailed report prepared by Marie Mondu on "Stakeholders' Involvement in addressing HIV/AIDS in the Porgera Valley".

It was proposed that PEAK have an integrated approach to the issue, with valuable information and how PEAK is to distribute an external, independent review. All matters addressed to be transparent to the community.

Furthermore, PEAK endorsed the HIV/AIDS, Porgera Report and congratulated the author on the high quality. *The motion was carried, and Proposed by Prof. Barry Hart and seconded by Dr Martha Macintyre.*

##### 4.3 UPDATE ON THE PORGERA MINE OPERATIONS - PRESENTED BY MR MARK FISHER

Mr Mark Fisher, General Manager - Mines Operation, provided an insightful update on the Porgera Mine Operations.

A copy of Mr Fisher's presentation was tabled at the meeting.

##### 4.4 UPDATE ON COMMUNITIES & ENVIRONMENT - PRESENTED BY MR TIM OMUNDSEN

Mr Tim Omundsen, Manager Communities & Environment - PJV delivered a complete overview of "Issues Resolution Initiative, Landowner Partnership Initiative & Restoring Justice Initiative".

*Issues Resolution Initiative  
Landowner Partnership Initiative  
Restoring Justice Initiative*

PEAK members expressed support for the Landowner Partnership and Restoring Justice Initiatives and requested to be kept informed of the progress made on these two initiatives.

A copy of Mr Omundsen's presentation was tabled at the meeting.

##### 4.5 UPDATE BY PJV ENVIRONMENT MANAGER - PRESENTED BY MR SCOTT WHITNEY

Mr Scott Whitney, Environment Manager - PJV, provided a comprehensive update on "Delivering Value: From Assets, People & Projects".

Mr Whitney provided an update on the Cyanide Code Conduct, adding that PJV was now accredited to transport cyanide. Emphasis was also placed on the 2007 AER - Summary of Hydrology, Biology & Chemistry monitoring results, EMP, Rehabilitation progress (2007: 13,200 trees planted), and Corporate Direction & EMS Implementation, which included the three year plan on year on year reduction in environment incidents.

A copy of Mr Whitney's presentation was tabled at the meeting.

##### 4.6 UPDATE BY PJV MANAGER - SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - PRESENTED BY MR MARK VAN DUSEN

Mr. Van Dusen - PJV Manager - Socio Economic Development elaborated on the HIV/AIDS Programs (Mulitaka renovations completed August, 08), District Planning (Developed with District staff and LLG Councillors in

ward meetings with groups of elders, women and youth to determine ward needs and priorities) & Business Development (Getting very positive response for increased contract opportunities for Porgerans).

A copy of Mr. Van Dusen's presentation was tabled at the meeting.

5. **CLOSURE OF THE DAY'S PROCEEDINGS:**

The Chairman thanked the Guest Speakers for their valuable and informative updates. Day one of the PEAK Meeting closed at 17:00.

**TUESDAY, 7<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2008**

6. **OPENING OF THE MEETING:**

The Chairman opened day two of the October PEAK Meeting - 2008 at 08:35.

7. **OVERVIEW OF DAY ONE'S PROCEEDINGS:**

The Chairman provided a brief overview of day one's proceedings and led a round table discussion, inviting the Committee Members to elaborate on any of the outcomes from the presentations.

Generally, the presentations provided a useful and more definitive information benchmark of the Porgera operations that would enable PEAK to develop clear objectives for its 2009 Workplan.

The Committee Members discussed various protocol alternatives that would strengthen the reporting process between PJV, the Government and PEAK, ensuring that all matters/issues addressed were made transparent to the community.

8. **PROJECTS & PROGRAMS TO BE IMPLEMENTED FOR 2008-2009:**

8.1 **REVIEW OF PEAK ANNUAL WORK PLAN - 2008**

The Committee reviewed the current work plan for 2008 and updated the status of each strategic focus.

A revised PEAK Annual Work Plan - 2008 is to be prepared and circulated to the Committee Members for endorsement. The final version is to be uploaded on to the PEAK website for general viewing.

The amendments were unanimously passed by the Members.

8.2 **REVIEW OF SUGGESTIONS BY PEAK MEMBERS FOR THE 2008/2009 PROJECTS:**

It was suggested to colour-code the 2009 Workplan ie; headings, sub-headings etc.

8.3 **PEAK ANNUAL WORK PLAN FOR 2008/2009 (As per TOR Strategic Focus):**

The Committee identified a number of key projects to be undertaken for 2009. Members, objectives and time frames were identified for the completion of the action plan by sub committees.

The 2009 work plan was unanimously passed by the Members.

The Executive Officer is to prepare a Work Plan for 2009 and is to circulate the draft version to the Committee Members for their endorsement. Once approved, the final version is to be uploaded on to the PEAK website.

9 **ADMINISTRATION AND PROCEDURES:**

9.1 **REVIEW OF PEAK MEMBERSHIP:**

The Committee reviewed the current standing of its Membership as outlined in its Constitution.

For the April 2009 meeting, it was unanimously agreed to invite Mellie Kaiulo as PEAK's Porgeran Community Representative and to invite the President of the Porgeran District Women's Association to become a member of Peak.

Fr. Philip Gibbs mentioned that he would be resigning in eighteen (18) months and suggested someone in his place. The Chairman requested a copy of the intended candidate's curriculum vitae.

## 9.2 EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT:

The Committee agreed to the Executive Officer's employment contract for a period of twelve (12) months, effective on the 1<sup>st</sup> October 2008.

## 9.3 PERSONAL ACCIDENT INSURANCE:

Copy of correspondence from South Pacific Insurance Advisors Ltd, was presented at the meeting.

Members requested clarification if there was a difference in premium on being covered three hundred and sixty-five (365) days of the year, as PEAK' meetings were only for a certain number of days per year. *The motion was moved, and Proposed: M. Ernest and Seconded: B. Hart*

## 9.4 REVIEW OF PEAK WEBSITE:

It was noted that current information provided at this meeting be uploaded on its website.

It was recommended that PEAK review the website and to provide linkages to updates on current projects and reports.

It was further suggested that PEAK adopt procedures for website content and the engagement of consultants.

## 9.5 FINANCIAL REPORT AND BUDGET FOR 2008:

### 9.5.1 FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Executive Officer presented the current financial standing of PEAK's operations, including various expenses that had occurred up to the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2008. The Financial Reports were available for general viewing.

### 9.5.2 BUDGET FOR 2009:

A draft budget has been prepared. Amendments will be made and circulated to Committee Members for approval, before submitting to PJV for consideration, which is subject to Barrick Gold Ltd's endorsement. *The motion was moved, and Proposed: I. Temu. Seconded: M. Macintyre.*

### 9.5.3 2009 MEETINGS: PORT MORESBY AND PORGERA

The first meeting for 2009, subject to confirmation with PJV Management, will be held at the Porgera Mine Site during the week commencing the 20<sup>th</sup> April 2009.

The second PEAK meeting for 2009 is to be held in Port Moresby during the week commencing the 5<sup>th</sup> October 2009.

### 9.5.4 HIGHLIGHTS OF OCTOBER MEETING:

It was unanimously agreed that PEAK would extract the following three highlights from the October 2008 Meeting, translate into Pidgin and upload onto its website:-

- (i) Brief update on State of the River Report Card;
- (ii) Endorsement of Marie Mondu's HIV/AIDS Report; and
- (iii) 2008-2009 Workplan & Outcomes.

10. CLOSURE OF THE MEETING:

The Chairman acknowledged the attendance by the Committee Members and thanked them for their time and valuable contribution to the October PEAK Meeting. PJV's assistance in facilitating the attendance of Guest Speakers to deliver critical updates on the Mine Site and its activities was also noted.

Being no other business, the meeting closed at 17:00.

Signed as a true and correct document

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Nigel R. Agonia, OBE            /     /  
Chairman