

PEAK ASSOCIATION INC
(PROMOTING A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE)

MINUTES OF THE 'SPECIAL' MEETING

22nd JUNE 2007
HELD AT
CROWNE PLAZA HOTEL, PORT MORESBY
PAPUA NEW GUINEA

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING - 22ND JUNE 2007.

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| Mr. Nigel R. Agonia, OBE | Chairman |
| Mr. Roy Banka | PNG Forest Research Institute (PNGFRI) |
| Mr. Bob Cogger | PJV - Director Sustainable Development Group |
| Mr. Mark Ernest | SMEC PNG Ltd |
| Dr. Philip Gibbs | NGO - Melanesian Institute |
| Ms. Mellie Kaiulo | Porgera District Women's Association |
| Dr. Dagwin Luang-Suarkia | Technical Advisor - PNGIMR |
| Dr. Ila Temu | Country Head - Barrick (PNG) Ltd |
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| Mrs. Maryanne McDonald | Executive Officer |

APOLOGIES: Professor Barry Hart; Professor Ben Imbun; Ms. Kay Kalim; Mr. Michael Kiap; Professor Martha Macintyre; Mr. Craig Wilson and Mr. Gary Halverson (PJV General Manager)

NON ATTENDANCE: Dr. Samson Amean; Mr. Lasark Joseph and Mr. Wesley Irima.

OBSERVER: Ms. Samantha Chadwick - Manager, Community Relations - Barrick Gold Corporation, Toronto, Canada.

The Chairman welcomed the Committee to the 'Special June Meeting' of PEAK, and briefly outlined the agenda for the one day meeting.

2. INTRODUCTION OF NEW PEAK COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Roy Banka (PNGFRI) and Mr. Mark Ernest (SMEC PNG Ltd) to the June Meeting. The individuals delivered a brief presentation on their qualifications, work experience and as to how their experience and expertise could contribute to PEAK.

A motion was moved to accept Mr. Banka and Mr. Ernest onto the Committee. Moved by Dr. Gibbs and seconded by Dr. Temu. Motion carried.

3. PRESENTATION BY GUEST SPEAKERS:

The following Guest Speakers were welcomed by the Chairman to the June Meeting:

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| Dr. Jim Tyler | PJV - Environmental Manager |
| Mr. Mark Van Dusen | PJV Manager - Socio Economic Development |

3.1 PRESENTATION BY DR. ILA TEMU ON PORGERA MINE OPERATIONS:

Country Manager - Barrick (PNG) Ltd - Dr. Ila Temu delivered a comprehensive overview of Barrick Gold Corporation's world wide operations with emphasis on its core vision and values and highlights for 2006 and projected direction for 2007 along with the companies' social responsibility to the surrounding community.

Dr. Temu elaborated on (a) Porgera Joint Venture's (PJV) mine site operations which included the sites major safety initiatives; environmental issues; 2006 production and costs; (b) the Hides Restoration Project; the West Wall failure; the Illegal Miner Action Plan; (c) the Southern Highlands and HTL; (d) the Highlands Highway; (e) the Resettlement Action Plan (RAP); (f) feasibility studies and (g) an update on future exploration projects.

A copy of Dr. Temu's presentation was tabled at the meeting.

3.2 PRESENTATION BY MR. BOB COGGER ON THE RESETTLEMENT ACTION PLAN (RAP):

Mr. Bob Cogger - PJV Director Sustainable Development Group provided a brief overview of the RAP and the rationale for Special Mining Lease (SML) resettlement. Mr. Cogger advised that RAP was an outcome of the Socio Impact Assessment (SIA) Report which included consultation from within the community and the stakeholders with 96% or more, indicating a desire to relocate.

It was noted that further issues such as relocation sites, infrastructure, business development and community dependency was being explored. An analysis is to be undertaken to consult with 'non land owners'. This will ultimately form a separate study to RAP.

During the course of Mr. Cogger's presentation, the 24th of April 'Mine Stoppage' was discussed in detail.

It was suggested by PEAK that PJV should consider adopting a 'Counselling Process' with the land owners in order for individuals and/or groups to digest the proposed changes and to gain confidence with the course of action and PJV. It was further recommended that Porgera District Women's Association be actively involved in the process. PJV has adopted a socially responsible approach in communicating with the women in the community.

It was recommended that during the course of PEAK's 'Mine Site Visit' in early 2008, visits be arranged to view the resettlement areas.

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

3.2 PORGERA ENVIRONMENTAL UPDATE BY DR. JIM TYER:

A high level overview on PJV's Environmental Programmes and Performance at Porgera was delivered by Dr. Jim Tyler, with emphasis on: the River Monitoring Results for the first quarter of 2007; Riverine sedimentation cross section plots of the Pongema River, Kaiya River, 10 km and 20 kms downstream of the Kaiya/Pongema Junction; a current update on all Barrick sites to confirm to International Cyanide Code Specifications by September 2008; the various options surrounding 'Tailings' Disposal; PJV's response to the Riverine Monitoring Review and a five year research and development Rehabilitation Strategy.

A PEAK Sub Committee has been established to review the content of the report, and to assess the recommendations made within the River Monitoring Report, and will respond to the report at the October Meeting.

An invitation will be extended to PJV to deliver at the 'October' Meeting, its defined 'Work Plan' on the report's recommendations.

Dr. Tyler elaborated on the companies 'Rehabilitation Strategy' and informed the committee that they are working with landowners and partners to achieve at mine closure safe, stable landscapes supporting mixed upper montane forest with enduring biodiversity which embraces social, cultural and economic values.

PEAK noted that many of the documents available through PJV and the Government Departments are complicated and are of a technical nature. A formal request will be made to PJV for Dr. Tyler to deliver a concept/framework paper to translate technical findings into a general publication document at the October 2007 Meeting.

A copy of Dr. Tyler's presentation was tabled at the meeting.

3.3 PJV SOCIO-ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT (SED) DEPARTMENT BY MR. MARK VAN DUSEN:

Mr. Mark Van Dusen - PJV Manager - Socio-Economic Development Department delivered an overview on the various SED Programs and how they relate to various research reports and the Government's Medium Term Development Strategies 2006 - 2010.

The framework for SED to move forward focuses on the Law & Order situation, which is currently seen by Porgerans as underpinning investment and development. PJV is continuing to work closely with ADB on HIV and Health with heavy emphasis on training, VCT and prevention, plus a primary health care component. Community

engagement on HIV AIDS needs to continue with PJV becoming a catalyst to involve civil society in the process. It was recognised that for the region to move forward, PJV needs to work with, and educate, the younger generation.

PJV is also working in partnership with other local and international organizations to address education, capacity building and the Resettlement Action Plan (RAP).

PEAK is to formally request a copy of the RAP and a sub committee has been established to review the SIA TOR and the RAP. It was noted that the SIA TOR has not been received from PJV.

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

4. ADMINISTRATION:

4.1 Membership and Attendance Register:

Completed by Executive Officer

4.2 Resolutions Register:

Completed by Executive Officer

4.3 Membership:

It was reported that Mr. Pundi has recently been appointed as a PJV Employee and is ineligible to take up the PEAK Membership. Ms. Kaiulo and Dr. Gibbs are tasked in recommending suitable candidates to fill the vacant position from the Porgeran Community.

Moved by Ila Temu and seconded Bob Cogger. Motion carried.

New Members: Mr. Wilson, Mr. Ernest and Mr. Banka to sign PEAK's Code of Conduct.

4.3 PEAK WEBSITE:

The 'new look' website has been completed. PEAK Executive Officer to secure up to date information from Barrick (PNG) Ltd. In addition, PEAK to provide PJV with an indication of public documents for uploading onto website.

4.4 Office Location:

A permanent PEAK office is currently under review by the Executive Officer with office facilities to be shared with the POM Business Centre at Steamship's Head Office in Port Moresby.

4.5 Business Management Account:

The Executive Officer elaborated on the current financial standing of the Association and the various account options available for PEAK.

It was resolved that PEAK would transfer its cheque account facilities to a 'Business Management Account' with Bank South Pacific (BSP) and upon maturity of BSP term deposit, funds are to be credited to the new account for daily interest. Moved by Mr. Cogger and seconded by Mr. Luang-Suarkia.

4.6 Constitution:

After due consultation with PEAK's legal representative and a round table discussion by Committee Members, it was resolved that Clause 8 (C) be reinstated as an amended clause. It is to read as follows:

'PEAK shall not in either its meetings, or in any of its operations, become involved in any compensation issues'.

The above amendment was proposed by Dr. Gibbs. Motioned by Ms. Kaiulo and seconded by Mr. Cogger. Motion carried.

It was noted that PEAK should be in a position to hear compensation issues as they arise, and in order to play a role and assist in the process, PEAK is to request regular updates on the 'social temperature' of the community and compensation issues as they arise.

Clause 4 (i) to be reinstated as per PEAK's original Terms of Reference:

All other members of the Komiti shall hold office for a three-year period, after which all current members will retire from office and 50% of the member's will offer their services for a one-term extension. ('for the ensuing year' to be deleted)

Motioned by Dr. Gibbs and seconded by Mr. Cogger. Motion carried.

Clause 4 (c) and (d) re 'member group' will reflect Membership as outlined in 4 (A) and 4 (B).

5. WORK PLAN - 2007

A number of PEAK's Activities for 2007 were reviewed and a copy of the revised 'Work Plan' is to note the amendments. A copy of the revised work plan is to be circulated to the Members for information. General updates are noted below:

5.1 HIV AIDS WORKSHOP:

It was resolved that PEAK would explore the possibility of conducting a two-day workshop in Mt. Hagen in early December to assess the situation in the Porgera, Tari and Lagaip areas, in order to develop the basis for an integrated approach to Hiv AIDS

in these areas. The workshop is to include comments from PJV and any stakeholders that are currently included in the process.

PEAK is to request a formal response from PJV on how SED is to develop a strategy on how the company will address HIV AIDS over the next 5 - 10 years.

5.2 Rehabilitation Strategy of Waste Dumps:

Mr. Banka and Mr. Ernest are to comment on the above subject matter at the October 2007 PEAK Meeting.

5.3 State of the River Assessment:

In the absence of Professor Hart, the Executive Officer is tasked to contact Dr. Stuart Bunn and secure an update on the 'State of the River - Report Card'.

5.4 Drinking Water Investigation Project:

It was resolved that PEAK approach PJV to undertake the establishment of a water supply criteria under the RAP. PEAK is to review PJV's findings of the assessment.

5.5 Riverine Monitoring Report:

PEAK to extend an invitation to PJV to deliver, at the October 2007 PEAK Meeting, it's 'Defined Work Plan' on the report's recommendations and a progress report on the recommendations by the PJV Environmental Manager. PEAK is to officially respond to the report at the October 2007 PEAK Meeting.

5.6 Resettlement Action Plan (RAP):

PEAK is to officially request a copy of the original SIA TOR and the RAP and the PEAK Sub-Committee is to review and comment on the documents at the October 2007 PEAK Meeting.

5.7 Illegal Miners:

PEAK is to officially request an invitation to Mr. Steve Gimpel - Manager - Illegal Mining and Social Responsibility to deliver an update at the October 2007 PEAK Meeting.

5.8 Interim Reports from PJV Management:

PEAK is to officially request a regular written update from PJV Management on the operations of the mine site, progress reports on the implementation of the RAP and the Illegal Mining situation.

6. NEXT MEETING:

The next PEAK Meeting will be held in Port Moresby on the 15th and 16th October 2007.

7. CLOSURE OF MEETING:

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 17:25

Signed as a true and correct document

Chairman - Mr. Nigel R Agonia, OBE

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