

# ***CORRIB GAS DEVELOPMENT***

## **Project Monitoring Committee**

Minutes of the Project Monitoring Committee Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2009 in Áras an Chontae, Castlebar, at 11.00am.

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**Present:** Mr. Des Mahon, County Manager (Chairman)  
Mr. Gerry Costello, SEPIL  
Ms. Agnes McLaverty, SEPIL  
Mr. Tony Doyle, SEPIL  
Mr. Brendan Butler, SEPIL  
Mr. Richard Cosgrove, Bord na Móna  
Mr. Padraic Walsh, Mayo County Council  
Mr. Peter Hynes, Mayo County Council  
Mr. Ciarán Ó hÓbáin, Dept. CENR  
Mr. Seamus Gaughan, Community Representative  
Mr. Pat Barrett, Community Representative  
Mr. Chris Tallott, Community Representative  
Mr. Gerry Stadler, NWRFB  
Mr. Denis Strong, NPWS, DoEHLG

**Apologies:** Mr. Ray Smith, EPA  
Mr. Vincent Roche, NWRFB  
Mr. Michael Hughes, NWRFB

**In attendance:** Ms. M. Finnerty, Mayo County Council.

### **1. Minutes**

The Minutes of the Project Monitoring Committee Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> October, 2009 were agreed, having been proposed by Mr. Cosgrove and seconded by Mr. Ó hÓbáin.

### **2. Matters arising**

There were no matters arising.

### **3. Water Quality – Carrowmore Lake**

Mr. Walsh outlined the current position regarding water quality in Carrowmore Lake as outlined in report circulated to the members – copy of which is available on the Mayo County Council website – [www.mayococo.ie](http://www.mayococo.ie)

Mr. Walsh indicated that the developer has requested an adjustment to the environmental monitoring regime on the site and this is currently being considered by Mayo County Council. The Chairman requested that the EPA and the NWRFB submit their observations on this proposal as soon as possible.

**4. Updates:**

▪ **Roadworks/Transportation**

Mr. Walsh informed the meeting that works on the R314 and L1202 (Glengad Road) have been completed while repair works on the R313 and L1204 haul roads from Barretts and Lennons Quarries have also been completed, apart from lining.

▪ **Bord na Móna**

Mr. Cosgrove outlined the position on the Srahmore Peat Repository as set out in report circulated (copy of which is available on [www.mayococo.ie](http://www.mayococo.ie)) and indicated that there were no non-compliances, no complaints received or no incidents recorded at the site since the last meeting. He informed the meeting that there are currently no Bord na Móna employees on site.

**5. Update on Terminal**

Mr. Butler informed the meeting of construction operations which are ongoing and also the outlook from November 2009 onwards – copy of the report setting out the position which was circulated to the meeting is available on [www.mayococo.ie](http://www.mayococo.ie). He indicated that there is very poor productivity on site at present due to extreme weather conditions. In relation to suspended solids exceedences, Mr. Doyle clarified the position – as set out in report dated 25<sup>th</sup> November and available on [www.mayococo.ie](http://www.mayococo.ie)

**6. Environmental Issues**

Mr. Walsh updated the meeting on the environmental issues at the Bellanaboy Site indicating that work is currently 87% complete – copy of Mr. Walsh's report is available on [www.mayococo.ie](http://www.mayococo.ie)

**7. Community Fund**

The meeting was informed that all works for which funding had been provided have been completed.

**8. Local Issues**

There were no local issues.

**9. Any other business**

As this was the Chairman's last meeting of the PMC, due to his forthcoming retirement, he thanked all the members of the Committee and the Agencies represented on the Committee for their commitment to and support of the project and wished them all well for the future.

Mr. Costello on behalf of SEPIL thanked Mr. Mahon for his chairmanship of the Committee during the past five years.

It was agreed to hold the next meeting of the PMC on 20th January 2010 at 11.00am in Castlebar.

This concluded the business of the meeting.