

# CORRIB GAS DEVELOPMENT

## Project Monitoring Committee

**Minutes of the Project Monitoring Committee Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2008 at the Corrib Gas Terminal Site, Bellanaboy, at 11.00am.**

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**Chairman:** Mr. D. Mahon, County Manager

**Present:** Mr. Gerry Costello, SEPIL  
Ms. Aoife Reynolds, Environmental Advisor, SEPIL  
Mr. Tony Doyle, Environmental Advisor, SEPIL  
Mr. Denis Strong, NPWS, Dept. EH&LG  
Mr. Dick McKeever, Dept. AFF  
Mr. Richard Cosgrove, Bord na Móna  
Mr. Nicholas Whyte, Community Representative  
Mr. Seamus Gaughan, Community Representative  
Garda Sgt. Martha Lohan  
Mr. Michael Hughes, NWRFB  
Mr. Peter Hynes, Mayo County Council  
Mr. Tom McDonnell, Mayo county Council

**Apologies:** Mr. Gerard McDonnell, Community Representative  
Mr. Ciáran Ó hÓbain, Dept. CENR  
Ms. Agnes McLaverty, SEPIL  
Mr. Ray Smith, EPA

**In attendance:** Dr. Catherine Farrell, Bord na Móna  
Ms. Muriel Finnerty, Mayo County Council

### 1. Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> June 2008 were approved, having been proposed by Mr. Costello and seconded by Mr. Hynes.

### 2. Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

### 3. Water Quality – Carrowmore Lake

A discussion took place on the *Report on the Findings of the Environmental Monitoring Programme on Aluminium Levels in the Carrowmore Lake Catchment and in the Erris Public Water Supply ...2005-2008* – already circulated and available on [www.mayococo.ie](http://www.mayococo.ie)

The meeting was informed that the naturally high background aluminium in the area has not been impacted on by the Corrib gas project. Gratitude was expressed to the North Western Regional Fisheries Board who carried out some of the sampling, results of which are included in the Report.

#### 4. Updates:

##### ▪ **Roadworks / Transportation**

Mr. McDonnell indicated that deliveries of heavy/long loads are continuing with no difficulties being encountered.

##### **Bord na Móna**

Mr. Cosgrove outlined the up to date position on the Srahmore Peat Repository as set out in the Environmental Management System Up-date No. 33 – copy of which is available on [www.mayococo.ie](http://www.mayococo.ie) and indicated that no incidences or exceedences took place since the last meeting of the PMC.

#### 5. Update on Terminal

Mr. Costello outlined the up to date position on the Bellanaboy Site as set out in report dated 9<sup>th</sup> July 2008, copy of which is available on [www.mayococo.ie](http://www.mayococo.ie). He informed the meeting that it is expected to have construction completed by the end of 2008, followed by the commissioning phase from early 2009.

Mr. Doyle updated the meeting on the environmental issues as set out in report on the Bellanaboy Site circulated to the meeting, copy of which is available on [www.mayococo.ie](http://www.mayococo.ie)

#### 6. Environmental Issues

Mr. McDonnell updated the Committee on environmental issues at the Bellanaboy Site as set out in report on the Corrib Gas Development dated 9<sup>th</sup> July 2008 – copy of which is available on [www.mayococo.ie](http://www.mayococo.ie)

#### 7. Community Fund

- Attavally
- Bellanaboy Community Group Scheme
- The Glencullen River Scheme
- The Bangor Angling Scheme
- Bellanaboy Village Scheme

Mr. McDonnell outlined the position in relation to the above projects being undertaken under the Community Fund, as set out in report circulated – copy of which is available on [www.mayococo.ie](http://www.mayococo.ie)

**8. Local Issues**

In reply to query from Mr. Whyte regarding the Glensk site, Mr. Costello confirmed that Shell will continue with work on the present site.

**9. Any other business**

Dr. Catherine Farrell gave an overview to the meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> International Peat Congress held recently and thanked all involved for their support and assistance. She also outlined to the meeting the interest shown in the Shramore Peat Repository. The Chairman thanked the representatives of the various Agencies on the PMC for the co-operation and assistance in making the Peat Congress a success.

It was agreed to hold the next meeting of the PMC on 10<sup>th</sup> September 2008 in Belmullet.

This concluded the business of the meeting.