

Coalbed Methane/Natural Gas in Coal Multi-Stakeholder Advisory Committee (the Committee)  
Meeting Minutes  
Rom 206, Red Deer Provincial Building  
May 2, 2005  
9:30 to 5:00

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In attendance:

Sharla Rauschnig ( <i>acting chair</i> )	Alberta Energy
John Hermans	Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development
Phyllis Kobasiuk	Alberta Association of Municipal Districts & Counties
Ken Hoppins ( <i>alternate</i> )	Alberta Association of Municipal Districts & Counties
Gene Rawe	Alberta Beef Producers
David Breakwell	Alberta Energy
Bob Willard	Alberta Energy & Utility Board
Tom Nahirniak	Alberta Surface Rights Federation
Don Bester	Butte Action Committee/Rimbey & District Clean Air People
Deryl Hurl	Canadian Association of Petroleum Landmen
Mike Gatens	Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CSUG)/ Canadian Society for Unconventional Gas / Small Explorers and Producers Association of Canada
John Squarek	Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CSUG)/ Canadian Society for Unconventional Gas / Small Explorers and Producers Association of Canada
Else Pedersen ( <i>alternate</i> )	Freehold Petroleum & Natural Gas Owners Association
Barry Cole ( <i>alternate</i> )	Sustainable Resource Development
Mary Griffiths	The Pembina Institute
<i>Others</i>	
Gene Roach ( <i>facilitator</i> )	Community Development
Karen Henderson ( <i>secretary</i> )	Alberta Energy
David Breakwell ( <i>observer</i> )	Alberta Energy
Tom Byrnes ( <i>observer</i> )	Alberta Energy & Utilities Board
Nga de la Cruz ( <i>alternate</i> )	Alberta Environment
Dave Rushford ( <i>observer</i> )	Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CSUG)/ Canadian Society for Unconventional Gas / Small Explorers and Producers Association of Canada
Sari Shernofsky ( <i>writer</i> )	
Absent:	
Bev Yee	Alberta Environment
Mike Ekelund ( <i>chair</i> )	Alberta Energy
Sharil Baumgardner	Alberta Environmentally Sustainable Agriculture Committee
Allen Wright	The Coal Association of Canada

**Welcome and Introductions**

The meeting started at 9:30.

***ACTION***

- *Minutes from April 25 were ratified with changes to the MAC members in attendance.*

**Review of Draft Preliminary Findings (PF)**

The MAC reviewed the most recent draft of the PF. Some changes were suggested to ensure the document is easy to read and understand. The MAC also identified words to be added to the glossary. Reference will be made to the Clean Air Strategic Alliance (CASA) “Flaring and Venting Recommendations for Coalbed Methane Final Report”. The MAC will formally acknowledge the work done by CASA through an acknowledgement letter.

***ACTION***

- *Sari will incorporate changes identified by the MAC into the next PF draft and develop a glossary of terms.*

The meeting concluded at 5:00. The MAC agreed to start the May 3 meeting at 9:00.

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May 3, 2005  
9:00 to 4:45

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In attendance:

Sharla Rauschnig ( <i>acting chair a.m.</i> )	Alberta Energy
Bev Yee ( <i>co-chair, p.m.</i> )	Alberta Energy
John Hermans	Alberta Agriculture, Food and Rural Development
Ken Hoppins ( <i>alternate</i> )	Alberta Association of Municipal Districts & Counties
Sharil Baumgardner	Alberta Environmentally Sustainable Agriculture Committee
Gene Rawe	Alberta Beef Producers
Bob Willard	Alberta Energy & Utility Board
Tom Nahirmiak	Alberta Surface Rights Federation
Karl Zajcs ( <i>alternate</i> )	Alberta Surface Rights Federation
Don Bester	Butte Action Committee/Rimbey & District Clean Air People
Deryl Hurl	Canadian Association of Petroleum Landmen
Mike Gatens	Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CSUG)/ Canadian Society for Unconventional Gas / Small Explorers and Producers Association of Canada
Else Pedersen ( <i>alternate</i> )	Freehold Petroleum & Natural Gas Owners Association
Barry Cole ( <i>alternate</i> )	Sustainable Resource Development
Mary Griffiths	The Pembina Institute

*Others*

Gene Roach ( <i>facilitator</i> )	Community Development
Karen Henderson ( <i>secretary</i> )	Alberta Energy
Tom Byrnes ( <i>observer</i> )	Alberta Energy & Utilities Board
Nga de la Cruz ( <i>observer</i> )	Alberta Environment
Glenn Winner ( <i>observer</i> )	Alberta Environment
Dave Rushford ( <i>observer</i> )	Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CSUG)/ Canadian Society for Unconventional Gas / Small Explorers and Producers Association of Canada
Adrian Pritchard ( <i>presenter</i> )	Human Resources and Employment
Sari Shernofsky ( <i>writer</i> )	

Absent:

Phyllis Kobasiuk	Alberta Association of Municipal Districts & Counties
Mike Ekelund ( <i>chair</i> )	Alberta Energy
John Squarek	Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CSUG)/ Canadian Society for Unconventional Gas / Small Explorers and Producers Association of Canada
Allen Wright	The Coal Association of Canada

**Welcome**

The meeting started at 9:00.

### **Review of Draft Preliminary Findings (PF)**

The MAC continued review of the PF. Some MAC members provided suggested wording changes in relation to specific issues or recommendations contained in the draft document.

#### *ACTION*

- *Those MAC members with specific wording changes to the PF will provide their input to Sari.*

### **Land Agents Certification**

Adrian Pritchard of Human Resources and Employment provided an overview on the land agent review process. Legislation regarding land agents is being reviewed and possibly expanded. Two of the major concerns highlighted by Mr. Pritchard include certification requirements and who should be able to act as a land agent.

### **Water Decision Tree and Other Water Related Items.**

Bev Yee provided a copy of the revised water decision tree for MAC consideration. She also provided updates on other water related items, including development of a technical committee. An updated handout was provided on minimum available head standards as the previous handout was incorrect.

#### *ACTION*

- *For the next MAC meeting:*
  - *Membership of the technical committee will be discussed.*
  - *The water decision tree will be updated based on MAC feedback.*
  - *Bev will provide clarification on the hydrostatic head.*
  - *Bev will provide wording on two water recommendations.*

**Next Meetings:** May 25 Eastview Estates Community Hall, 120 Ellenwood Drive, Red Deer  
May 26 Room 206 Provincial Building