

## Working with Our Community in 2010

Port Kembla Coal Terminal is a coal exporting facility that services two of the nation's richest coal reserves, the Southern and Western coalfields of NSW, exporting high quality coking and steaming coal to customers around the world.

The vision of the Coal Terminal is to be a valued link in the global coal supply chain. To realise our vision, we also need to take a balanced view of the Coal Terminal's impacts and we work with our near neighbours to ensure that we are a valued member of the local community.

The PKCT Community Consultative Committee (CCC) has been meeting for 3 years, and I would like to take this

opportunity to sincerely thank our active committee members for their ongoing suggestions and involvement, namely Cheryl Henness, Brendan Leo, Anthony Mallon and Craig Morris.

This year has seen valuable contributions from CCC members towards the:

- PKCT Environmental Assessment
- Driver's Code of Conduct development
- Site tree-planting activities
- Recycled water project.

Without our community's continued involvement we would not be able to fully appreciate our potential impacts on our near neighbours. We have sought their

involvement in the development of our new Community Engagement Plan for 2009 – 2011, which was ratified at a recent CCC meeting and outlines the way forward working with you, our local community.

We welcome the community's input and should you have any suggestions or issues, please feel free to contact our Community Hotline on 1800 111 448 or email [communitylinks@pkct.com.au](mailto:communitylinks@pkct.com.au).



**Peter Green**  
General Manager  
Port Kembla Coal Terminal



## ❖ Recycled Water Project

Port Kembla Coal Terminal previously used large quantities of drinking water for environmental management and dust suppression activities and was ranked in the Top 20 largest water users in the Sydney metropolitan area.

We are pleased to advise that on 1 June 2009, Minister Costa, Minister for Water, officially turned the tap on to recycled water, saving around 1 million litres of drinking water every day. This is a 75% reduction and a huge drinking water saving every day, the equivalent use of over 1,100 households, or more than the entire suburb of Mangerton uses every day.

The Coal Terminal is now

receiving high quality recycled water from Sydney Water's adjacent Wollongong Sewage Treatment Plant under a 22 year supply agreement. Peter Green,

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General Manager, said at the project launch “environmental management is critical to our success and as the first site to use tertiary treated

effluent recycled water for dust suppression, it's a momentous occasion.”

The recycled water project achieved praise at the Health, Safety, Environment & Community Awards for 2009, winning the Environment category of the Illawarra Coal awards, and receiving a Merit Award from the BHP Billiton International awards.

The project was supported by the NSW Government's Climate Change Fund. The launch was attended by Ministers Costa and Campbell, Noreen Hay (MP) and other dignitaries. Ms Noreen Hay was quoted as saying “The community benefits, the environment benefits and we all participate in that benefit.”



## ❖ Green and Golden Bell Frogs



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Green and Golden Bell Frogs *Litoria aurea*, once abundant along the eastern coast of NSW, have undergone a significant decline over the past forty years and are now considered 'endangered' in NSW and are specifically protected under the NSW Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995 and the Commonwealths Environmental Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999.

For the first time, frogs have been

found on the northern side of the inner harbour. In support of the frogs, Port Kembla Coal Terminal has met this challenging and pleasing situation with a number of initiatives including:

- Notifying the Department of Environment, Climate Change and Water (DECCW)
- Placing frogs at risk in care
- Notifying employees that the frogs are an endangered species and of the

requirements to notify and not touch or interfere with the frogs

- Developing an appropriate site for future frogs habitat area
- Participating in a DECCW facilitated stakeholders forum and encouraging other port users to be involved.

We are pleased to advise that a partnership has been forged between the Coal Terminal,

“ **Port Kembla Coal Terminal has undertaken a number of initiatives to support the frogs as they are an endangered species found on an industrial site** ”

DECCW and Symbio Zoo at Helensburgh, who are now caring for several Green and Golden Bell Frogs and providing education to the community on the endangered species. Symbio Zoo specialises in endangered species, with over twenty endangered species on site, and the Coal Terminal thanks them for their support and care for the frogs which were found on site.

## Community Donations



Red Cross Bushfire Appeal

The Coal Terminal provides donations to charitable organisations, and this year introduced a "Win for the Month", where employees who are rewarded for positive contributions to the business nominate a charitable organisation as their reward.

Organisations who have been provided with donations this year include: *Care for Street Kids Australia, Autism Spectrum*

*Australia, Technical Aid to the Disabled, Starlight Children's Foundation, Cancer Council Australia, Salvation Army, National Breast Cancer Foundation and House of Hope Food Barn.*

The Coal Terminal also rallied behind the national initiative for supporting the Victorian Bushfire Appeal, providing \$15,000 of employee and matched company contributions to the Red Cross.

## Do you want to get involved?

### In the Coal Terminal's Community Consultative Committee?

The PKCT Community Consultative Committee (CCC) has been established for over three years and is keen to get some new input. We are therefore pleased to invite new members to express an interest in joining the CCC.

The Community Consultative Committee is the central communication channel between Port Kembla Coal Terminal and Our Community. We are calling for expressions of interest to join the Community Consultative Committee which meets quarterly.

#### What is the aim?

The Community Consultative Committee aims to assist Port Kembla Coal Terminal:

- To work with our local neighbours/community
- To ensure that we are sensitive to community expectations, and

- To demonstrate our commitment to positive, long term relationships with our neighbours.

#### What are the objectives?

- To engage in plain english, two-way communication and education with near neighbours
- To develop a true understanding of the local community issues through effective listening
- To interact with appropriate individuals and organizational representatives on an ongoing and proactive basis
- To develop activities that match community issues with Port Kembla Coal Terminal's sustainable development objectives.

Any interested person/organisation representative is encouraged to apply.

## Expression of Interest

I would like to express an interest in joining the Port Kembla Coal Terminal Community Consultative Committee:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please contact the Coal Terminal with your Expression of Interest by 31st March 2010 by either:

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