Orica Mercury Independent Review Steering Panel Meeting 21 November

2013 - Outcomes and Actions						
Attendees:	Mark Gifford (EPA, Chair), Greg Sheehy (EPA), Professor Mark Ferson (NSW Ministry of Health), Professor Alison Jones (University of Wollongong), Derek Elmes (OEH, on behalf of Dr Klaus Koop), Talebul Islam (Randwick City Council), Steven Poulton (CoBB Council), Chantal Snell (Community Member), Lynda Newnam (Community Member), Zack Thomas (EPA, Executive Officer).					
Invitees	Andrew Kita (Project Director, CDM Smith Australia Pty Ltd), Loek Munnichs (Project Manager, CDM Smith Australia Pty Ltd)					
Apologies	Ms Lara Kirchner (CoBB Council), Pamela Wilson (EPA)					
Documents distributed	Agenda Outcomes & Actions from 12 September meeting Process Flowchart for Stage 2					

- 4. CDM Smith draft Stage 1 report (delivered 22nd November 2013)

Item	Discussion/Action	Responsibility	Actions
1	Welcome and Apologies		
	 Apologies received from Ms Lara Kirchner (CoBB Council), Pamela Wilson (EPA) 		
	 The Panel recognised that Derek Elmes was representing OEH on behalf of Dr Klaus Koop. 		
	 Late start and run through of Outcomes and Actions from 12th September meeting prior to CDM Smith presentation due to a late arrival. 		
2	Outcomes and Actions of 12 th September Meeting		
_	 It was not possible for the EPA to attend the Randwick Eco-Living Fair event on Sunday 15th Sep. 		
	 Information regarding Orica's use of languages in their communications provided to CDM Smith. 		
	WorkCover contact details provided to CDM Smith.		
	· CDM Smith attended CLC.		

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	 EPA Stakeholder Engagement Schedule, diagram clarifying roles and link to 'scientifically rigorous' statement published on webpage. Information regarding further testing by Sydney Water in regard to Hillsdale to be released imminently. 	Zack Thomas	Action 2.1 Inform panel when this is published.		
3	 Discussion of Stage 1 of the Independent Review with CDM Smith CDM Smith Australia Pty Ltd, the expert consultant appointed to perform stage 1 of the review, met with the panel and discussed the findings of the draft report. Orica will be provided a copy of the draft report for fact checking purposes. 	Zack Thomas All EPA/OEH	Action 3.1 Deliver Draft Stage 1 Report in electronic and paper format to Steering Panel members for comment. Action 3.2 Steering Panel members to provide comments on Draft Stage 1 Report by Monday 2 nd December to Zack Thomas. Action 3.3 Develop process and options for investigating the risks for Penrhyn Estuary from exposure to chemicals other than mercury from Orica's operations.		
4	Stakeholder Engagement Schedule Stakeholder Engagement Schedule and community engagement dates for Stage 1 to be discussed in detail at a future meeting once the panel has a better understanding of the findings of the Stage 1 Report.	Zack Thomas	Action 4.1 EPA to ensure Public Affairs Section is represented at the panel meeting where the Stakeholder Engagement Schedule is discussed.		

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5	 Process for Stage 2 Stage 2 discussed including timing and preparation of scope. Requirements for Selection Committee membership discussed. 	Lynda Newnam / Chantal Snell	Action 5.1 Community members to nominate one of them as a representative for the Selection Committee.		
	Discussion regarding remediation liabilities for private/council land tested and contamination found that is not attributable to Orica.	Zack Thomas	Action 5.2 EPA to seek legal advice.		
6	Budget EPA prepared budget including Stage 1 costs and project management to date to invoice Orica.				
7	Other Business The EPA stakeholder engagement survey report should be available and made public soon.	Zack Thomas	Action 7.1 EPA to inform the panel when this is available.		
8	 Dates for forthcoming meetings Wednesday 4th December 1:30pm until 4:30pm; and Thursday 12th December 10am until 12pm. 	All	Action 8.1 Notify Zack Thomas of availability.		