

Draft Meeting Minutes

Stelco – Lake Erie Works Community Liaison Committee (CLC)

26 Oct 2022, 11:30 a.m., Teleconference

CLC Members In Attendance:

Jeremy Gamble, Nancy Heddle, Petar Kolundzija, Bill Lindsay, Stuart McAskill, Lidy Romanuk

Other Attendees:

Mark DeMelo (Stelco)

Katie Chan (Stelco)

Trevor Harris (Stelco)

Dave Rivard (Stelco)

Welcome

Attendees introduced themselves around the virtual table.

Review and Approval of Agenda

The committee accepted the agenda as presented.

Coke Battery Performance - Q3 2022

Katie provided a summary of the results of the daily and 30-day rolling average results for the Method 303 environmental audits. The rehabilitated coke battery is in compliance with the 30-day rolling average limits. Nancy commented that the data which was shown in graphical form looks good and shows the positive impact of the rehabilitation of the coke battery. Katie also indicated that there were no complaints received related to the coke battery operations in Q3. Separately, Stelco received feedback from 7 neighbours related to dust. We have followed up with each neighbour accordingly.

Jeremy indicated that the Ministry of Environment conducted an audit at the coke battery the previous week and observed that the leaks were very low; the coke battery is working relatively well.

ISO 14001 Environmental Management System Overview

Mark provided CLC members with an overview of Lake Erie Works' Environmental Management System (EMS) which serves as the backbone of environmental stewardship at Stelco. The facility's EMS is certified under the internationally recognized ISO 14001 standard. Mark described the key components of the EMS framework and the importance of environmental aspects.

Community Feedback

- Nancy enquired about whether the facility experiences power outages as often as the external community
 - Dave indicated that the power to Lake Erie Works is high voltage which is different from the community. Further, in critical parts of the plant, Stelco has a secure power supply.
- Stu enquired about vertical standpoints located on New Lakeshore Road, and whether there are monitoring information available at those locations.
 - Petar indicated that it is a borehole nest from the plant which was utilized in designing Lake Erie Works over 40 years ago. As such, it is currently not being utilized.
- Stu had some questions related to the on-site landfill:
 - How does Stelco monitor what goes into the landfill?
 - Petar responded that the permit issued by the Ministry of Environment lists materials that are allowed to be stored at the on-site landfill. Plans and procedures are in place. Further, groundwater and surface water monitoring is conducted on-site near the landfill. We also have surface water monitoring

program upstream and downstream of the landfill and at Centre Creek.

- Are there water quality limits?
 - Petar confirmed that there are triggers for surface water and is reported to the Ministry of Environment. There are no indications of leaks from this landfill over time. For groundwater, a third party consultant reviews and provides their professional opinions.
- Stu also enquired about the accuracy of the air monitoring station, installed by the Nanticoke Environment Committee, to measure air from the steel mill. He asked if Stelco has plans to change the monitoring system. Stelco identified that the air monitoring system was put in place based on support and agreement from the Ministry of Environment. There are currently no plans to change the monitoring system.

CLC Format Discussion

Katie reviewed the origination of this multi-stakeholder group in 2011, where committee members decided that these CLC meetings will be closed to the committee. From time to time, we have received feedback from several neighbours interested in attending these meetings. There have been a few meetings in the past, where we have invited community members to attend CLC meetings as Observers. Stelco welcomed a group discussion on providing more opportunities for interested neighbours/stakeholders to participate in future CLC meetings as Observers until we determine if new spots on the Committee open up. No comments were received at this meeting. Katie offered that people can follow up with Petar, Trevor or herself, offline with their thoughts.

Adjournment

The next meeting is scheduled for February 1, 2023.