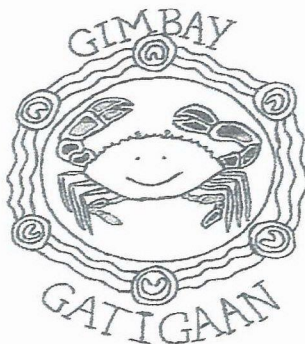


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Jaye Quinlan, Secretary.  
Gimbay Gatigaan  
Aboriginal Corporation.  
23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2011.



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Belinda Scott.  
Major Projects Assessment,  
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Dear Ms Scott,

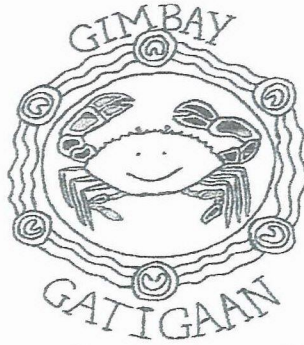
I read in the Telegraph paper about the Newcastle Gas Storage Facility at Tomago and the construction of the gas pipeline between Tomago and Hexham. As an Aboriginal Traditional Owners Group we are protesting about this being constructed on our ancestors land.

We are in the process of a Native Title Claim on this land and we want this gas pipeline halted as soon as possible. We need the Commonwealth Dept. of Sustainability, Environment, Water, Populations and Communities to stop this action as we have written before to the Planning & Infrastructure regarding other proposals going on around Newcastle and surrounding areas.

The KFC development in Newcastle, the new proposals for the Port

*"Gimbay Gatigaan for a better future"*

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*Waratah Coal Services and also the proposals we have seen for the BHP site.*

*This is a disgrace how we are being treated and ignored . We are very sad that no-one is listening to us . Your government office of Planning & Infrastructure should have more respect for our ancestors land . We still use this land nearly every day to gather our medicinal plants , something that our ancestors did too .*

*I have enclosed all correspondence I have had regarding our issues .Everyone seems to ignore us . Why is the Planning & Infrastructure ignoring us ? In the letter from Daniel Keary it clearly states that because the BHP was on that land then there wouldn't be any artefacts there . This was also said about the KFC site and the IBIS hotel site in Hunter St. Newcastle , what happened there? In 2004 they found over 5,000 relics and in 2009 they found 5,500 aboriginal relics!!! These relics were handled by our ancestors so that land has aboriginal significance to us and it is significant to all Australians too . I have also sent a copy of this letter to our Barrister so you may hear from him in the near future .*

*Yours sincerely ,*

*Jaye Quinlan .*

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8 April 2011

Jaye Quinlan  
Secretary  
Aboriginal Corporation  
Unit 1/32 Young Street  
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Dear Ms Quinlan

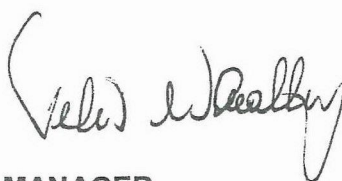
**CONTACT DETAILS FOR THE NSW DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING**

Further to your telephone conversation today with my colleague Gaetan Amodeo, please find below contact details for the Department of Planning.

Department of Planning  
23-33 Bridge Street  
SYDNEY NSW 2001

Correspondence should be marked for the attention of Ms Lisa Chan. Ms Chan's telephone number is 02 9228 6226, fax number is 02 9228 6355 and email address is [lisa.chan@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:lisa.chan@planning.nsw.gov.au).

Yours sincerely



Peter Wheatley  
**DEVELOPMENT MANAGER**



7 April 2011

Ms Jaye Quinlan  
Secretary  
Aboriginal Corporation  
Unit 1/32 Young Street  
CARRINGTON NSW 2294

Dear Ms Quinlan

### **CONSULTATION IN RELATION TO MAYFIELD SITE CONCEPT PLAN**

Thank you for your letter dated 19 March 2011. I have taken some time to look into the matters you raised and can respond as follows.

In relation to your question regarding NPC's consultation with Aboriginal groups regarding development of the former BHP site, I can advise that NPC did not consult with any individuals or groups representing Aboriginal interests. NPC's commentary in the Submissions Report was made in response to a submission received recommending certain provisions be put in place in the event that any item of Aboriginal Cultural significance is uncovered on site. In its investigation of this matter, NPC relied on records held by the Department of Climate Change & Water that identified no Indigenous heritage sites in this area. As a result no consultation with Indigenous people was undertaken.

NPC acknowledges your stated claims to a historical and ongoing connection and interest in this land and is happy to respond to your concerns in the same manner as offered to any indigenous, community or business group that have an interest in the development of the site. This engagement will be via the consultation process set out by the Department of Planning. NPC encourages all interested parties to register their concerns in this way and can provide you with the relevant contact details should you require.

I trust the information contained in this letter addresses your concerns and provides you with the necessary information to assist you in directing any current or future concerns you may have.

Yours sincerely



Gary Webb  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

A few  
words.

Mr Jaye Quinlan  
Secretary  
Gimbay Gatigaan Aboriginal Corporation  
1/32 Young Street  
Carrington 2294 NSW

14 April 2011



Dear Mr Quinlan

**Proposed Newcastle Gas Storage Facility**

Thank you for your letter dated 22 March 2011.

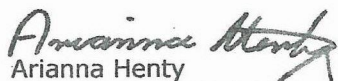
I understand from your letter that you wish to be consulted in relation to the proposed Newcastle Gas Storage Facility (Project).

The purpose of the advertisement in the Newcastle Herald on 17 March 2011 was to inform the community that AGL Energy Ltd has made an application to the Minister for Planning for approval of the Project.

The next step in the application process is for AGL Energy Ltd to provide an environmental assessment of the Project to the Department of Planning and Infrastructure. The Department of Planning and Infrastructure will then make the environmental assessment publicly available, including on its website, for a period of at least 30 days. Once the environmental assessment has been made publicly available, you will then have the opportunity to make a submission to the Department of Planning and Infrastructure in relation to the Project.

We hope that this assists you in understanding the application process and removes any concern you may have.

Yours sincerely,

  
Arianna Henty  
Land & Approvals Manager

- > Being selected as a member of the Dow Jones Sustainability Index 2006/07
- > Gaining accreditation under the National GreenPower Accreditation Program for AGL Green Energy®, AGL Green Living® and AGL Green Spirit
- > Being selected as a constituent of the FTSE4Good Index Series



## Planning & Infrastructure

Mrs Jaye Quinlan  
Secretary  
Gimbay Gatigaan Aboriginal Corporation  
1/32 Young Street  
CARRINGTON NSW 2294

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Dear Mrs Quinlan

I refer to your recent letter to the Department concerning the Newcastle Port Corporation's proposed port terminal facilities at Mayfield and your organisation's concerns regarding consultation on this project.

As you may be aware the site has been subject to reclamations and extensive heavy industrial development associated with the BHP Steelworks and more recently demolition and remediation activities. In this context it is highly unlikely that the site would retain Aboriginal heritage objects.

Notwithstanding, the project's Environmental Assessment and the subsequent Submissions Report were publicly exhibited. It should also be noted that the current proposal is for a Concept Plan, which would guide future development on the site. Accordingly, further opportunities for consultation may arise in future applications subject to the current Concept Plan being approved.

Should you have any queries on the proposal, please contact the project officer, Lisa Chan (phone: 9228 6226; email: [lisa.chan@planning.nsw.gov.au](mailto:lisa.chan@planning.nsw.gov.au)) who would be happy to assist.

Yours sincerely

  
Daniel Keary  
Director  
Infrastructure Projects

9/6/11