

May 2008



Aggregate News

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Association will be held in the Princes Ballroom at the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Cnr Princes St and Waterloo Quadrant, Auckland, on Wednesday 9 July 2008.

The meeting commences at **11.30 am** (note time change) and will be followed by lunch.

AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Condolences
4. Minutes of 2007 Annual General Meeting
5. Matters Arising
6. Presentation and Adoption of Annual Report
7. Financial Report
 - a. Presentation and adoption of Financial Reports for the year ended 31 March 2008.
 - b. Presentation of Joint Conference Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2008.
 - c. Setting of 2009/2010 Subscription rates
8. Election of Council
9. Election of Auditor
10. Remits (one received as at the date of this newsletter)
11. General Business.

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DIARY DATES

2008

IoQ/AQA Joint
Conference

Auckland

Wednesday 9 July -
Friday 11 July

40th Meeting of IoQ



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**Meeting of
International
Presidents of IoQ**

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AQA PLANNING ACTIVITY

The Association has an ongoing relationship with a firm of planning consultants who closely monitor all planning activity that could affect members or the industry, and make submissions on our behalf.

The following is the activity report as presented to the Council at its meeting in February 2008

- **Horizons One Plan:** AQA representative and Harrison Grierson to attend overall hearing to present submission on 1 July 2008.
- **Taranaki Regional Plan:** Pre-hearing meetings at present. Hearing date to be confirmed. AQA to advise if they wish to attend pre-hearing meetings or hearing.
- **Draft Wellington Regional Policy Statement:** Submission sent to Greater Wellington Regional Council on 15 April 2008. Submissions close 16 May 2008.
- **National Policy Statement for Electricity Transmission** - Submission delivered on 29 November 2007. To be advised date of hearing.

WASTE MINIMISATION (SOLIDS) BILL

This Bill was been reported back by the Local Government and Environment Committee in April 2008. The Report can be downloaded from:

www.parliament.nz/NR/rdonlyres/A1E4C41F-4339-4CD1-85DC-04AAA33506EB/81614/DBSCH_SCR_4024_5903.pdf

THE LIME ISSUE

The Climate Change (Emissions Trading and Renewable Preference) Bill before the Finance and Expenditure Committee, caused some consternation for lime producers of lime.

The Bill required a levy to be imposed on lime products from 2011, whether used as fertiliser or not while the producers of fertilisers not using lime, would have their levy deferred until 2013. Lime producers would therefore be disadvantaged by two years.

The Association commissioned a review of the position and ascertained that this issue had

already been identified and withdrawn, meaning that lime producers would not be levied before their fertiliser producing counterparts.

Some members commissioned independent legal opinions on the same issue and all came to the same conclusion.

The Association is pleased that the matter has been dealt with but acknowledges that this is a small respite from a much larger problem, looming for the aggregates as well as all other industries.



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