



MEDIA RELEASE

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Xstrata Coal launches Flood Relief and Rebuilding Fund

Xstrata Coal is lending a helping hand to flood-affected organisations and community groups in Taroom, Miles, Chinchilla and Condamine through the new Xstrata Coal Flood Relief and Rebuilding Fund.

Xstrata Coal Wandoan Project Executive General Manager Steve Bridger said the fund was part of Xstrata Coal's continued response to communities that have been severely affected by the floods.

"We know that flood-affected community groups and organisations have been working hard on fixing their facilities and resuming services," he said.

"While some groups may have received financial assistance from government sources, it is likely that there are a range of repair projects that have not received any funding.

"As such, Xstrata Coal has set up the Flood Relief and Rebuilding Fund to help flood-affected local community groups in Taroom, Miles, Chinchilla and Condamine fill this gap.

"We hope that this funding will help to ease the challenges faced by many in rebuilding our Queensland communities."

Please visit www.wandoancoal.com.au or call 1800 052 797 for an application kit. Applications close 21 April 2011.

The contribution is part of a \$3 million contribution by Xstrata Coal to flood recovery and rebuilding projects across Queensland, which follows an initial \$2 million donation to the Premier's Flood Relief Fund.

Xstrata Coal is proposing to develop the Wandoan Coal Project at Wandoan, an open-cut thermal coal mine, for which conditional Federal environmental approval was granted in March 2011.

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Photograph attached, caption below:

Murilla Community Centre Manager Cecily Brockhurst (left) with Wandoan Coal Project Community Relations Manager Kate Campbell inspect whitegoods for Taroom and Condamine families whose homes were damaged by the flood.

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