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Explanation of Vinyl Chloride Panel Health Committee Budget

An initial budget of \$325,000 is proposed for the following activities:

- Contractor cost for the update of vinyl chloride epidemiology study
- Dow Chemical's expenses for designing, monitoring, consulting with the selected contractor, and reviewing interim, draft and final reports for the epidemiological update
- Consultant expenses for vinyl chloride risk assessment and short-term exposure effects studies
- Administrative expenses for update of the epidemiology study; follow-ups with EPA on VC risk assessment; follow-ups with EPA on VC and/or EDC testing under TSCA Section 4; follow-ups with consultants on VC risk assessment and short-term exposure effects studies; meeting planning, attendance, and other routine services; follow-up of action items resulting from meetings and conference calls; and, monitoring of regulatory activities impacting vinyl chloride manufacturing companies

The Committee has proposed to share the \$325,000 budget based upon the 1993 VC nameplate capacity. CMA has used the nameplate capacities for VC published in the attached chart from Chemical Data Inc., September 1993, to determine each company's pro-rata share. Because Westlake had not committed to the Committee activities along with the other companies, the other companies pro-rata shares were based upon a total nameplate capacity of 11, 918 million pounds. Therefore, the Westlake share shown below is based upon the same total nameplate capacity.

<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>NAMEPLATE CAPACITY</u> <u>(Million Lbs.)</u>	<u>PRO-RATA SHARE</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
Borden Chemical	935	23,536	Committed
Dow Chemical	2,210	55,630	Committed
Formosa Plastics	1,793	45,133	Committed
GEON	1,400	35,241	Committed
Georgia Gulf	1,260	31,717	Committed
Occidental	2,600	65,447	Committed
PPG Industries	840	21,145	Committed
Vista Chemical	880	22,151	Committed
Westlake	1,000	25,172	Pending

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