



MINUTES
MANUFACTURING & MINING COMMITTEE MEETING
ARIZONA BILTMORE HOTEL
PHOENIX, ARIZONA

October 1, 1980

Mr. E. R. Kiehl, Chairman of the Manufacturing & Mining Committee, called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. Those in attendance were:

E. R. Kiehl	The Celotex Corporation
J. E. Gillespie	Domtar Construction Materials
C. T. Upshaw	The Flintkote Company
T. W. Richards	Georgia-Pacific Corporation
J. A. Keller	Gold Bond Building Products
R. R. Wood	Pabco Gypsum
F. C. Briscoe	Three Rivers Gypsum, Inc.
L. E. Madden	Three Rivers Gypsum, Inc.
J. D. Cornell	United States Gypsum Company
K. E. Mohler	United States Gypsum Company
D. L. Kimport	Legal Counsel
D. E. Brackett	Gypsum Association
H. B. Carlsen	Gypsum Association
F. J. Rogers	Gypsum Association

Following self introductions, the minutes of the April 14-15, 1980 Manufacturing & Mining Committee meeting were approved as distributed.

1. AIR AND WATER POLLUTION

Mr. K. E. Mohler reported on this subject, indicating the possibility of future Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) studies in the area of mine and quarry discharges for chlorides and heavy metals can be expected. He noted that currently the EPA has contracted with the Radian Corporation relative to the development of New Source Performance Standards for the gypsum industry. He stated that operations of concern are fugitive emissions from stockpiles, point sources, and stack emissions from dryers, kettles and board plants. He noted that completion of the field work in this study which has included several industry test locations, is scheduled for some time during the fourth quarter of this year, and although final standards proposals are not yet known, the Association is currently awaiting the Phase II draft report from Radian for review and industry comment. The final standard is expected to cover typical emissions from a gypsum calcining mill and board plant and list those control methods considered as best available control technology. It will apply to new sources only and will have no impact on existing sources unless such sources are modified during an expansion or modernization program. Initial reports from Radian personnel indicate that recommendations for particulate emissions will be similar to those developed in a previous EPA study covering mineral mining and processing portions of our industry's operations, with a limit of .015 grains per dry standard cubic foot of exhaust air or gases, all of which can be met by properly designed collecting systems of various types.

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OSHA and NIOSH Back Move to Tighten Asbestos Exposure Rules

OSHA and NIOSH also called for the elimination from the workplace of all new non-essential uses of asbestos and reiterated that all forms of asbestos are equally dangerous, thus finding no basis for regulating one type of asbestos fiber differently from any other type of fiber.

In concluding this agenda subject, Mr. Brackett reported on hearings conducted by Senator Williams' committee relative to plant closure legislation, HR 5040 and S 1609, currently being considered, noting that several unions testified in support of such legislative protection. It was the consensus of the committee that the Association need not take an active part in the Congressional oversight hearings, but actively support the programs of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and National Association of Manufacturers in this area in an effort to defeat these legislative proposals.

4. INDUSTRY HEALTH RESEARCH PROGRAM

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