

Vinyl Chloride Panel

Membership

The BFGoodrich Company

Borden Chemicals and Plastics

The Dow Chemical Company

Formosa Plastics

Georgia Gulf Corporation

*JTS Enterprises, Inc. **

*MAXROY **

Occidental Chemical Corporation

PPG Industries, Inc.

*Shintech, Inc. **

Vista Chemical Company

** Associate Member*

Purpose

The Panel formed in 1971 to develop and assess health effects data on vinyl chloride monomer through animal research and epidemiologic studies. In 1991, the Panel shifted its focus to promoting greater safety in the transportation and handling of the chemical.

Activities

- Organizes and operates the Vinyl Chloride Emergency Response Network (VCNet), a mutual aid network among Panel member companies for response to distribution incidence involving vinyl chloride.
- Develops educational materials such as the Vinyl Chloride Safety Awareness Training Manual.
- Sponsors vinyl chloride safety training workshops for emergency response personnel of fire departments, rescue squads, "for-hire" contractors, manufacturing plants, railroads and communities.
- Advocates the interests of vinyl chloride manufacturers before federal and international regulatory agencies.

Funding

Participation in the Vinyl Chloride Panel is open to all manufacturers, distributors, and users of vinyl chloride. The Panel is self-funded. Full membership shares (manufacturers) are determined by percentages based on railcar ton-miles. A flat fee is charged for associate membership (distributors and users).

For Further Information

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