

PLANT MANAGER'S SAFETY BOARD
MINUTES OF MEETING
NOVEMBER 16, 1983

Present were:

B. Bell for D. W. Metten	B. C. Lancaster
A. H. Conrad	S. G. Pappas
G. A. Danner	G. T. Ryan
R. T. Hammann	J. G. Trafton
R. L. Hammond	G. L. Tromblee
D. E. Kaldenberg for J.S. Hagood	G. L. Wofford

I. REVIEW OF STATISTICS--R.T. Hammann

A. Texas City Plant Safety Performance Summary - October

	1982		1983		1983
	OCT	YTD	OCT	YTD	TARGETS
(A) INJURIES WITHOUT LOST WORKDAYS (medical treatment only)	1	11	1	9	11
(B) LOST WORKDAYS CASES	0	5	0	0	2
**B ₁ RESTRICTED ACTIVITY	0	0	0	0	--
**B ₂ DAYS AWAY FROM WORK CASES	0	5	0	0	--
(C) FATALITIES	0	0	0	0	--
*TOTAL RECORDABLE CASES	<u>1</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>13</u>

INJURY RATES PER 200,000 MANHOURS

	1982		1983		1983	1983	1983
	OCT	YTD	OCT	YTD	TARGETS	TARGET	MFIC SEP
TOTAL INJURY-TIR	12.79	10.11	13.06	12.31	---	---	---
TOTAL RECORDABLE-TRR	0.71	1.13	0.87	0.74	0.87	1.02	1.04
TOTAL LOST WORKDAY-TLWR	0.00	0.35	0.00	0.00	0.13	---	0.28
DAYS-AWAY-FROM-WORK-DAWR	0.00	0.35	0.00	0.00	---	---	0.22

B. Comments on Statistics--R.T. Hammann

The one recordable injury in October was to a laboratory analyst when he cut his left thumb on a broken flask. There has been one recordable injury so far in November when a carpenter was struck on the arm by a falling piece of scaffold. We need to increase our awareness as in the last month there has been an increase in the total injury

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rate. In addition, the Styrene shutdown will start at the end of this month resulting in an increase in maintenance activities and corresponding exposures.

Areas having a high or increasing cumulative monthly injury rate are:

Analysts
Carpenters
Dept. 44/45/46
Dept. 53
Electricians
Painters
Pipefitters
Power 2

Areas showing much improvement in getting their injury rate under control are:

HCN Complex
Insulators
Machinists
Shops

Areas having excellent safety records are:

Instrument Dept. - 7 months without an injury
Dept. 513 - 14 months without an injury
Stores - 21 months without an injury

C. Contractor Safety--B.C. Lancaster

There was no CED craftsmen work done in October.

D. CED Safety--B.C. Lancaster

There were two Recordable Injuries in October. One occurred to a laborer who was struck on the cheek by a nail in some scrap he was loading onto a truck. The cut required 11 stitches. The second Recordable Injury occurred to a man working for Cleveland Wrecking who was binding a load on a truck. The binding came loose resulting in a laceration to his lip and loss of two teeth.

II. REPORT OF THE SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SAC) - G.A. Danner

- A. N₂ Hose Stations: During the Annual Inspection it was noted that there was quite a variety of N₂ hose station configurations throughout the plant. The standard in the Procedure Bulletin P0126 was reviewed by Engineering. It was felt that this was a good design to prevent inside battery limits contamination. SHAC is at present surveying the plant to determine the extent of the problem of non-conformance with the plant standard. A program will be developed for improving all nitrogen stations to conform to plant standard.

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III. REPORT OF THE PLANT SAFETY AND HOUSEKEEPING ACTION COMMITTEE (SHAC)--
A. H. Conrad

A. Hourly Safety Committee

1. Unit/Craft Safety Representatives Training

Expressed opinion that we should stay with 6-month term of office. The training should be conducted closer to the start of the term.

2. Asbestos Handling

Reported that Maintenance is working up an action plan for picking up asbestos bags.

3. New Concerns

- a. Safety of dismantling idle pipelines in west plant.
- b. Asbestos dumpsters in Dept. 44 being used for materials other than asbestos - Insulator representative will take care of this item.
- c. Rigs lifting equipment without using barricades or signs to warn people.

B. Annual Safety and Housekeeping Inspection

- 1. The plant inspection report was written and has been issued.
- 2. Reports to individual units, crafts, labs and offices have been written and typed. They will be issued 11/17/83. Each General Superintendent will receive the entire report. Superintendents will receive only the report for their areas with the request to send the action plan for correction of deficiencies to the General Superintendent and SHAC by 12/15.

C. Contractor Safety

A Committee has been formed with Rufus Baca as Chairman. The first meeting has been scheduled for November 17.

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D. Drug and Alcohol Abuse Program

At the request of the Personnel Department this program has been put on hold for the time-being.

E. Nitrogen Hose Stations

SHAC is surveying the plant for current status.

F. Locks

More work is needed on developing and implementing a procedure for plant locks. George Danner and Harry Conrad will work on the procedure, which will be brought to the Plant Manager's staff for review prior to implementation.

G. Accidents/Incidents Recommendations

Copies of recommendations were sent to all Superintendents requesting status reports by November 30. So far, two responses have been received.

H. Recordable Injury Bulletin

Issued a bulletin concerning the 10th Recordable Injury.

IV. REVIEW OF INCIDENTS

Monsanto Incidents:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Incident No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
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All issued through October.

Contractor Incidents:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Incident No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
9/27/83	C83-07 (not issued)	Recordable Injury/Days-Away-From-Work -- Crescent Electrician lost balance and fell on pipe in Power 2. Injured shoulder, back and knee. (Supak)
10/26/83	C83-08 (not issued)	Recordable Injury -- Opel laborer hit on face by board containing a nail. Cut required 11 stitches. (Supak)

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V. STATUS OF S-T-O-P PROGRAM--G.W. Daues

1. The program for hourly and administrative support personnel will be delayed until January.
2. Neither the Technical Center nor Personnel have issued any cards the last two months. These groups need to improve their S-T-O-P Observation performance.

VI. MISCELLANEOUS--R.T. Hammann.A. Hearing Conservation Program

The new signs denoting that hearing protection is required are now in the plant. A memo will be issued to responsible personnel requesting implementation as approved by PMSB.

B. Emergency Procedure Manual

Our goal is still to rewrite this manual by the end of the year. Responsibility for the different sections is as follows:

Sections 1, 2, and 7 -- Bob Hammann
Section 3 -- John Hagood
Section 4 -- Tom Ryan and Jack Trafton
Section 5 -- R. L. Hammond
Section 6 -- Jack Carlisle
Section 8 -- Greg Daues, R. L. Hammond, George Pappas
Section 9 -- Doug Metten

C. Critical Alarms

A Task Force consisting of Tom Ryan, Jack Trafton, Greg Daues and Bob Hammann made the following report:

1. The current Procedure Bulletin P0123 is good.
2. Jack and Tom are in the process of checking their units to assure that written procedures are in effect and available to chief operators/operators. This is not presently the case in all units.
3. There is a need for units to review their alarms to determine which alarms are critical and which ones are not, and develop a heirarchy scheme. Some alarms may be eliminated.
4. This procedure bulletin should be reviewed at the next unit safety meeting.
5. SHAC should check on adherence to this procedure during the next quarterly inspection.

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The preceding recommendations were approved by PMSB. This subject will be brought again up in the January PMSB to determine the effectiveness of these recommendations.

VII. PLANT MANAGER'S COMMENTS--G. L. Tromblee

A. Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)

Information has been received from St. Louis concerning TSCA. This is being distributed to the General Superintendents for review. The key contact person for both Chocolate Bayou and Texas City will be Jim Edwards.

B. Valve Stem Protectors

A minor injury occurred recently when an operator bumped his elbow on the end of a valve stem. It was also noted in the Annual Inspection that many valves had the protectors missing. Emphasis should be on installing the protectors in December.

C. Scaffolds

There are many instances in the plant where standards are not being met. We need to highlight this in safety meetings.

D. New Truck Scale

Personnel were observed working on the new truck scale without wearing proper safety equipment. B. C. Lancaster will handle.

E. Barricade Tape

LP&S will have a recommendation by December PMSB.

F. Vehicular Traffic

Seems to be an excess of traffic in the plant. Would like the guards to challenge more often the need for plant entry.

G. Hose Inspection Procedure

Emphasize on the next Quarterly Inspection. Is a proper inspection being conducted?

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R. T. Hammann

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