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MINUTES OF MEETING

PLASTICS COMMITTEE

The Greenbrier

White Sulphur Springs, W. Virginia

June 6, 1968

PRESENT:

Messrs.

G. L. Pitzer (Chairman), Union Carbide Corporation
T. B. Nantz (Vice Chairman), B. F. Goodrich Chemical Co.
C. E. Brown, Sinclair-Koppers Company
C. E. Denoon, Jr., Rohm and Haas Company
W. J. Dugan, General Electric Co.
D. M. Gallagher, Canadian Industries Ltd.
W. D. Holland, American Cyanamid Company
J. F. Kroeger, Shell Chemical Company
H. W. Mason, Jr., Reichhold Chemicals Inc.
C. M. Neher, Ethyl Corporation
R. G. Richards, Celanese Corporation
W. C. Roher, Gulf Oil Corporation
J. R. Ryan, Hercules Incorporated
R. L. Schuyler, E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Company
H. C. Wechsler, (for Eugene L. Sullivan) Borden Chemical Company
D. C. Williams, Eastman Chemical Products, Inc.
G. J. Williams, Dow Chemical Company
R. E. Workman, Goodyear Tire & Rubber Company
John Brooks, (Board Liaison), Celanese Corporation
F. H. Carman, M.C.A.

In opening the meeting, Chairman Pitzer welcomed Messrs. C. E. Denoon, Jr.; R. G. Richards; and G. J. Williams, as new members on the Committee and stated that Mr. A. R. Ludlow, Jr. of U. S. Industrial Chemicals Co., a fourth new member, could not attend because of illness in the family. These new members are appointed for a three-year term.

Plastics Financial Package

The Secretary stated that actual expenditures in the last fiscal year were close to the estimates supplied in earlier reports. A surplus of \$8,278.00 (original estimate \$5,320.00) was due mainly to certain charges at NBS being carried over into the new year. Appendix A is the final report on expenditures vs budget for 1967-1968.

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Weatherability Project

The Secretary advised that there was no substantial change in status over that given in the report at the May 2 meeting. A meeting of the Steering Committee is scheduled for June 13 at which time it is hoped the pros and cons of Xenon testing and need for purchase of equipment can be clarified.

On the general evaluation of the Weatherability Program, a comprehensive statement had been prepared by Mr. H. W. Mason, Jr. following review within his own organization; permission was obtained for this to be circulated to members of this Committee and to the Steering Committee. See Appendix B.

September Conference

This session, scheduled for Seaview Country Club, will be subject to restrictions on attendance to the same degree as was necessary at Oyster Harbors in the past. The Committee recommended that this be announced to the membership during the Group dinner meeting June 6.

On subjects of interest for the business meeting, it was pointed out that speakers on economics, such as Dr. Pierre Rinfret or Mr. Ira Ellis, were very popular and might again be considered. The recent presentation by Modern Plastics Magazine on industrial growth over the next 10 or 15 years and possibly a speaker from the Magazine staff, such as Mr. Van Boskirk, was also mentioned as a possibility. Members who attended the recent SPI West Coast Meeting commented very favorably on these presentations and on a film concerned with solid waste disposal.

Isocyanates - U.S.P.H. Conference

The Committee was alerted on an Occupational Health Program conference scheduled for June 10 and 11 in Cincinnati. Members concerned with isocyanates and/or polyurethane plastics were advised of this meeting in January 1968.

PVC - Combustion Products

Following consultation, General Decker for MCA and Messrs. Pitzer and Nantz for the Committee, the MCA will be represented by P. H. Carman in a meeting concerned with pyrolysis of polyvinyl chloride and biological effects of the products on July 9 at the National Center for Urban and Industrial Health in Cincinnati. Representatives from eight interested member companies are also expected to participate.