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President Nixon Signs Lead Bill; 0.5% Lead Level For Paint Now Federal Law

President Nixon signed into law Federal bill, S. 607, on November 9, 1973, amending the Lead-Based Paint Poisoning Prevention Act.

The new amended law (Public Law 93-151), effective immediately, sets forth the following major provisions:

Research—The Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) is required to conduct research to determine the safe level of lead in residential paint and to make a report to Congress not later than December 31, 1974.

Lead Standard—Prior to December 31, 1974, the standard for lead content is 0.5%. After December 31, 1974, the standard is 0.06%, except that, if the CPSC research determines that another level is safe; then that other level (not to exceed 0.5%) goes into effect after December 31, 1974. Paint exceeding the required lead content level is defined as "lead-based".

Preemption—Supersedes any state or local laws which provide for a different requirement, prohibition, or standard relating to lead content.

Prohibitions on Use—Prohibits the use of "lead-based paint" on residential structures constructed or rehabilitated with Federal funds (this was the existing law), and also on toys, furniture, cooking, eating, and drinking utensils manufactured and distributed after the date of this Act.

Lead Poisoning Prevention—Provides that about \$125 million go toward lead poisoning prevention, detection and elimination programs during fiscal year 1974 and 1975.

Outgoing NPCA President C. A. Brethen, Jr. announced that President Nixon had taken the above action during the Annual Meeting Opening Business Session in Chicago on November 12. Brethen's announcement and comments expressing the Association's approval of the new law were received with applause from the NPCA membership audience.

Larsen President of NPCA

Elmer C. Larsen of PPG Industries, Inc., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, was elected the new Association President on November 13 at the Chicago Annual Meeting. Succeding C. A. Brethen, Jr. of the Wyandotte Paint Products Co., he takes office immediately.

Larsen served as Association Treasurer in 1971-72, and chaired the Budget and Finance Committee. He held the office of Vice President under Brethen and also has served on NPCA's Board of Directors, Executive Committee, and the Joint Paint Industry Coordinating Committee.

Other officers elected were: Vice President—John L. Armitage, John L. Armitage Co., Newark, N.J., and Treasurer—Mansel O. Wiley, Celanese Coatings & Specialties Co., Louisville, Ky.

Regional Vice Presidents elected were: New England—A. Bernard Shore, Bonded Oil, Boston, Mass.; Eastern Zone—E. F. Reilly, Reynolds Metals Co., Richmond, Va.; East Central Zone—B. J. Gooel, Standard Detroit Paint Co., Detroit, Mich.; West Central Zone—Harry Oliver, Revilo Paint Co., Kansas City, Mo.; Southern Zone—John Hughes, Dozier & Gay Paint Co., Jacksonville, Fla.; Southwestern Zone—Allan R. Molsbee, South-

land Paint Co., Gainesville, Tex.; Western Zone—Wm. G. Owen, Fuller-O'Brien Co., San Francisco, Calif.

Elected to the Board of Directors for a three year term were: Clinton S. Brown, National Mfg. Corp., Tonawanda, N.Y.; R. G. Bull, Sherwin-Williams Co., Cleveland, Ohio; E. A. Cowman, Cowman-Campbell Paint Co., Seattle, Wash.; F. John Derrick, Perry & Derrick Co., Cincinnati, Ohio; Howard W. Hecht, McCloskey Varnish Co., Philadelphia, Pa.; Dr. C. Robert Hiles, Lilly Industrial Coatings, Inc., Indianapolis, Ind.; John A. Klacsmann, E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co., Inc., Wilmington, Del.; D. B. Kurfes Coatings Inc., Louisville, Ky.; Henry P. Morris, Elliott Paint & Varnish Co., Chicago, Ill.; Peter Fass, Reichhold Chemicals, Inc., White Plains, N.Y.; John Ludden, American Cyanamid Co., Boundbrook, N.J.; and Wm. C. Lowrey, Shell Chemical Co., E. Orange, N.J.

Elected to the Board of Directors for a two year term were: C. A. Brethen, Jr., Wyandotte Paint Products Co., Wyandotte, Mich.; and E. A. Von Doersten, Ashland Chemical Co., Div. Ashland Oil & Refining Co., Columbus, Ohio. Elected to the Board for a one year term was D. H. McClure, EXXON Chemical Co. U.S.A., Houston, Tex.



Newly elected NPCA officers (l-r): Treasurer Mansel O. Wiley, Celanese Coatings & Specialties Co.; President Elmer C. Larsen, PPG Industries, Inc.; and Vice President John L. Armitage, John L. Armitage Co.

NPCA Conference Discusses Education and Training Programs For Industry

The priorities, future programs and policy foundations for NPCA's new Education and Training Division, headed by Richard Johnson, were discussed at a recent 2-day Conference in St. Louis.

The October 16-17 Education and Training Conference, attended by about 30 persons, took an in-depth look at what is needed to keep a flow of trained personnel in the coatings industry and to continually provide updated material to those already involved. NPCA staff members—Johnson, Executive Vice President Robert A. Roland, Trade Sales Director Mark Padow, Assistant Technical Director Richard W. Murry, and Field Secretary James N. Elliott—also participated in the Conference.

After opening remarks from Roland and Johnson, the registrants divided into four "brainstorming" study groups to discuss industry educational concerns in: 1) the technical and production area; 2) general management; 3) sales and marketing; and 4) the educational needs

and contributing roles of local associations and Societies. Each group was given a discussion outline to develop the following information: 1) define their identity; 2) list the job titles involved in their areas of concern; 3) list the skills and areas of knowledge needed in their study; 4) set needed priorities for the industry as a whole as related to their group; 5) recommend program formats; 6) recommend what NPCA should do in formulating a plan of action and in assuring continuing adaptation of programs to meet changing needs; 7) recommend what individual company's activities should be; and 8) report on conclusions reached by the particular study group.

The Conference concluded with reports from each group. NPCA is now studying the suggestions and will prepare a final report which will be mailed to all attendants. Roland indicated that further contact will take place with persons and organizations interested in the final educational programs arrived at by NPCA.

Seminar on The Design & Construction of a Paint Manufacturing Plant; Feb. 6-7, 1974

The Manufacturing Management Committee of NPCA is sponsoring a seminar entitled, "The Design and Construction of a Paint Manufacturing Plant," on February 6-7, 1974 at the Chicago Marriott Hotel.

The one-and-one-half-day seminar will encompass all levels of planning involved in the construction of a new or adding to a paint manufacturing plant. Persons concerned or confronted with the multitude of decisions to be made when building a paint manufacturing facility, in particular production managers, operation managers, plant engineers, and process engineers, are encouraged to attend.

The first seminar session, February 6 beginning at 1:00 p.m., will focus on a discussion with major U.S. representatives of the coatings industry. Spokesmen from such companies as PPG Industries, Inc., DeSoto, Inc., Rust-Oleum Corporation, Reliance Universal, Inc., Glidden-Durkee Division of SCM Corporation, and The Sherwin-Williams Co. will make presentations based on actual experiences with preliminary design, planning and process layout involved in the design and construction of a new plant or addition to an existing facility.

On February 7, the morning session will include presentations on raw material handling and dispersion equipment. Speakers will include paint industry suppliers from Johns-Manville Corp., Thor-

nel Associates, Cayuga Process Equipment, E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co., Inc., Epworth Manufacturing Co., Inc. and other companies.

Thursday's afternoon session, concluding at 4:00 p.m., will deal with packaging and finished goods warehousing. Representatives from Rapistan, MSM Electronics, PARCS, Heisler Machine and Tool, Clark Equipment and other companies will give illustrated presentations. Additionally, the principles of project engineering and financing new plant construction will be discussed by authoritative individuals.

Panel discussions will follow each presentation area of the seminar.

The registration fee, \$35 for advance payment and \$50 at the door, includes a luncheon on Thursday, and a complete set of seminar papers.

Persons interested in attending should make their own accommodation reservations by January 20, 1974 with the Chicago Marriott Hotel: 6535 West Higgins Ave., Chicago, Ill.; phone: (312) 693-4444. Mention NPCA when making your reservations, because a block of rooms is being held by the Hotel for seminar registrants.

For further information and registration forms contact Technical Division Director Roy Brown at: NPCA, 1500 Rhode Island Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005; phone: (202) 462-6272.

Dr. Zimmt Receives Heckel Award

Dr. Werner S. Zimmt, a research fellow at Marshall Laboratory, E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co., Inc., Philadelphia, Pa., became the 1973 recipient of the George Baugh Heckel Award on November 12 at the 86th Annual Meeting of the National Paint and Coatings Association (NPCA) at The Conrad Hilton Hotel in Chicago.

Given the highest award the paint industry can bestow, Zimmt was honored for "outstanding contributions to the protective coatings industry."

A refugee from Nazi Germany, Dr. Zimmt joined DuPont at the Marshall Research Laboratory as a research chemist following the receipt of his doctorate from the University of Chicago in 1951. He became a research fellow in 1969.

Dr. Zimmt was a member of NPCA's Program Committee for Smog Chamber Studies on Air Pollution conducted at the Battelle Institute from 1967 to 1970; he was named chairman of the Committee in 1971. In 1972, he became mission manager of the NPCA Air Quality Task Force with responsibility for planning and executing programs to develop effective federal and state air pollution control regulations.

Now in its 22nd year of presentation, the Heckel Award commemorates the founder of *Paint Industry Magazine*, who was also active in NPCA and industry activities.

Industry Statesman Awards Presented at Annual Meeting

Five paint industry executives were honored at the 86th Annual Meeting of the National Paint and Coatings Association (NPCA).

Receiving the Industry Statesman Awards for outstanding service to the coatings industry were: E. Colin Baldwin, Chairman of the Board, The Sherwin-Williams Company; Harold A. Chloupek, retired President, Lilly Industrial Coatings, Inc.; Robert O. Clark, retired President, Jewel Paint and Varnish Company; John W. Nestor, retired Assistant General Manager, Fabrics and Finishes Division, E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co., Inc.; and Kenneth C. Specht, retired Vice President, NL Industries, Inc.

Honoring paint industry executives since 1964, the Industry Statesman Awards were presented at the Awards Luncheon on Monday, November 12, by outgoing NPCA President C. A. Brethen, Jr.