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October 11, 1974
11:00 A.M.

Attendees:

Anton Vittone, Chairman, B.F. Goodrich Chemical Co., 6100 Oak Tree Blvd., Cleveland, OH
Raymond J. Abramowitz, Hooker Chemical Corp., River Road, Burlington, N.J. 08016
Ross Adams, Air Products, 656 Swedesford Road, Wayne, PA 19087
Edward R. Adwon, Continental Oil Co., High Ridge Park, Stamford, Conn. 06880
R. Craig Andrews, Diamond Shamrock, 1100 Superior Road, Cleveland, OH 44114
B.F. Aurelius, Shell Oil Co., 1 Shell Plaza, Houston, Texas 77066
W.C. Becker, B.F. Goodrich, 500 S. Main St., Akron, OH 44318
Zeb G. Bell, Jr., PPG Industries, One Gateway Center, Pittsburg, PA 15222
Henry Bialecki, Olin Corp., 120 Long Ridge Rd., Stamford, Conn. 06904
Jerry Blizin, Hill & Knowlton, One McPherson Sq., Vermond & K Sts, N.W. Washington, D.C.
David A. Bloomfield, Hooker Chemical Crop, River Road, Burlington, N.J. 08016
John J. Cassidy, Jr., Rep.-Firestone-Union Carbide, 39 S. LaSalle St., Chicago, IL
A.W. Chambers, Hooker Chemicals, 345 Third Ave., Niagra Falls, N.Y. 14302
Walter B. Connolly, Jr., Firestone, 1200 Firestone Pkwy., Akron, OH 44317
Harry Conner, Diamond-Shamrock, 1100 Superior Rd., Cleveland, OH 44114
B.G. Corbett, Robintech Inc., Forth Worth, Texas
E.S. Elgin, Robintech Inc., Forth Worth, Texas
Joe Fath, Tenneco Chemicals, Inc., P.O. Box 2, Turner Place, Piscataway, N.J. 08854
Miriam C. Feigelson, Rep.-Pantasote, 425 Park Ave. NY 10022
H.J. Fast, B.F. Goodrich, 500 S. Main St., Akron, OH 44318
R. Flemming, Air Products, 656 Swedesford Road, Wayne, PA 19087
John C. Floros, Great American Chemical Corp., 650 Water St., Fitchburg, Mass. 01420
D.H. Francis, Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., 1144 E. Market St., Akron, OH 44316
N.C. Frost, Conoco, High Ridge Park, Stamford, Conn.
A.W. Fuhrman, Great American Chemical, 650 Water St., Fitchburg, Mass. 01420
Joseph E. Hadley, Keller & Heckman, 1150 17th St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036
Ralph L. Harding, SPI 250 Park Avenue, NY, NY 10017
C.J. Heckman, Keller & Heckman, 1150 17th St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036
Mary-Elizabeth Jacques, The Pantasote Co., 51 Weaver St., Greenwich, CONN.
Jack Jaglom, Pantastoe, 26 Jefferson St., Passaic, NJ 07055
Flynt Kennedy, Conoco, P.O. Box 1267, Ponca City, OK 74601
Jim Kiss, Hill & Knowlton, 633 Third Ave., NY, NY
M. Kleinfeld, Uniroyal Chemical, Naugauck, CT 06770
Milton Kline, Borden, 511 Lancaster St., Leominster, Mass.
Cleveland Lane, B.F. Goodrich, 500 S. Main St., Akron, OH 44318
R.W. Laundrie, General Tire, One General St., Akron, OH 44329
L.D. Lenihan, Arthur, Day & Kalish, 1200 Sixth Avenue, NY, NY
John A. Lawrence, SPI, 250 Park Ave, NY, NY 10017
D.H. Markusson, General Tire & Rubber, One General St., Akron, OH 44329
D.R. Martin, Goodyear, 1144 E. Market St., Akron, OH 44316
Marshall Miller, Reavis Pogue for Diamond Shamrock, 1100 Conn. Ave., Washington, D.C.
E.S. Nuspliger, SPI, 250 Park Ave., NY, NY 10017
Anthony J. Obadal, Ethyl Corp., 1730 Penn. Ave., N.W., Washington, D.C.

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Peter M. Phillipes, Covington & Burling, 888 16th St., N.W., Washington, D.C. 20006
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John M. Quinn, Allied Chemical, P.O. Box 1057R., Morristown, N.J. 07960
R.J. Reynolds, Shell Chemical, One Shell Plaza, Houston, Texas 77024
W.E. Rinehart, Ethyl Corp., 451 Florida St., Baton Rouge, LA 70801
Mel Rosensaft, Great American Chemical, 650 Water St., Fitchburg, Mass.
Robert H. Sand, Allied Chemical, P.O. Box 1057R, Morristown, N.J. 07960
K.L. Schurter, Conoco, Park 80 Plaza East, Saddle Brook, N.J.
J.T. Sebastianelli, APCI, Five Executive Mall, Wayne, PA 19312
Arthur A. Smith, Robintech Inc., P.O. Box 2342, Fort Woth, Texas 76101
W.A. Sutton, Olin Corp., 120 Long Ridge Rd., Stamford, Conn. 06902
Matthew M. Swetonic, Hill & Knowlton, 633 Third Ave., New York, NY
Frank Trunzo, PPG Industries, 1 Gateway Center, Pittsburgh, PA 15222
Pat Watson, Stauffer Chemical Co., Westport, Conn. 06897
David Weinstein, Borden Chemical, 180 E. Broad St., Columbus, OH 43215
Richard Weller, Arthur, Day & Kalish - Uniroyal, 1230 6th Ave., New York, NY
R.N. Wheeler,Jr., Union Carbide Corp., 437 MacCorkle Ave., S.W., S. Charleston, W.VA. 25303
John W. Whittlesey, Union Carbide Corp., 270 Park Ave., New York, NY 10017
Raymond Wilkins, Ethyl Corp., 451 Florida St., Baton Rouge, LA 70801
Jim Williams, Dow Chemical, Abbott Road Building, Midland, Mich. 48640
Richard Zinner, Great American Chemical, 650 Water St., Fitchburg, Mass.

Chairman Vittone called the meeting to order and requested that Mr. Heckman discuss the legal aspects of the OSHA Standard on Vinyl Chloride as published in the October 3 issue of the Federal Register. Mr. Heckman reviewed the current status of the Standard, filings of petitions to review the standard, and established the guide lines for further discussion of legal considerations.

Mr. Heckman asked for a show of hands by companies that had any objection to SPI's filing the petition for review of the permanent standard in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit (New York). There were none.

Mr. Heckman requested that any companies not wishing to be mentioned in pleadings as members of SPI, and thereby impliedly supporting its position before the court, notify his office by November 1.

Mr. Heckman stated that the merits of the SPI position on the petition for review now include the following possibilities:

a. OSHA has no substantial evidence to support the standard.
b. Use of respirators not practical and burden to employees.
c. Impracticality of certain provisions in the standard.

Other suggestions or points that might be included in the SPI position were made from the floor for consideration. These suggestions were noted but not discussed.

Mr. Heckman indicated that the legal action might involve:

- Asking for a Stay (this would require the establishment of irreparable injury to a company or companies).
- Asking for Expedited Briefing Schedule and Expedited Oral Arguements.

Mr. Heckman requested that any companies not able to continue operations after January 1, 1975 provide him with Affidavits establishing the supporting reasons as soon as possible. An informal deadline date of October 18 for receipt of such affidavits was set.

Mr. Vittone appointed the following to a lawyers subcommittee to work with Mr. Beckman on the SPI position:

Allan Topol - Covington and Burling
Walter B. Connolly - Firestone Plastics
John J. Cassidy - Rep. Firestone and Union Carbide
William C. Becker - B.F. Goodrich
H. J. Fast - B.F. Goodrich
Murry Whittlesey - Union Carbide
James Murry - (Attended for Mr. Whittlesey)

Public Affairs

Mr. Lane discussed the necessity for continuing press and public affairs activities. A more specific program will be developed by the PR Committee.

Other Matters

- Epidemiology - Dr. Ross Adams reported that he expects to meet with a bio-statistition during the week of October 21 as a possible candidate to conduct epidemiologic studies. Mr. Harding urged the need to gather data that will hopefully provide "... the answers that can put the arguments to rest."

- EPA - There will be a meeting of the EPA Subcommittee in Cleveland on October 25.

- Finances - Mr. Vittone referred to the memorandum on finances that was sent to voting representatives on September 27. He indicated that ten companies have not yet acknowledged the request for a vote on the expanded budget recommended by the Steering Committee (see attached).

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John R. Lawrence

John R. Lawrence
Director of Technical Liaison

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Attachment

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BUDGET

	Original	Recommended Addition	Total
Legal	$70,000	$60,000	$130,000
Research	20,000		20,000
PR	45,000	40,000	85,000
A.D. Little	85,000		85,000
Meeting Expenses	10,000	2,000	12,000
Totals	$230,000	$102,000	$332,000

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