

Manufacturing Chemists' Association, Inc.

Minutes of Meeting

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MCA Conference Room Washington, D. C.

October 19, 1966

MEMBERS PRESENT

J. H. Sterner, M.D., Chairman	Eastman Kodak Company
E. J. Bock, Vice Chairman	Monsanto Company
C. U. Dernehl, M.D.	Union Carbide Corporation
J. T. Gormally	Pennsalt Chemicals Corporation
A. L. Kling	Olin Mathieson Chemical Corporation
J. H. Rook	American Cyanamid Company
T. C. Runion	W. R. Grace & Co.
Carstens Slack (AM only)	Phillips Petroleum Company
Jerome Wilkenfeld	Hooker Chemical Corporation
J. A. Zapp, Jr.	E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co.
George E. Best, Secretary	MCA Staff

ASSOCIATE MEMBER PRESENT

H. W. Fisher	Standard Oil Company (New Jersey)
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GUESTS PRESENT

F. H. Carman (AM only)	MCA Staff
G. J. Hawkins (AM only)	MCA Staff
R. C. Johnson (AM only)	MCA Staff
A. E. Settle	MCA Staff
F. G. Stephenson (AM only)	MCA Staff

MEMBERS ABSENT

E. M. Adams	The Dow Chemical Company
C. K. Banks	M&T Chemicals Inc.
C. F. Hagan	Chas. Pfizer & Co., Inc.
Cleveland Lane	Goodrich-Gulf Chemicals, Inc.

Note: Subjects not necessarily discussed in the order
in which they appear in these minutes.

a formal letter of agreement is under development. He spoke of the importance of technical review of informational materials as they are being prepared, and his intention to set up a workable arrangement for this purpose with the technical committees.

6.2 Chemical Industry Survey on Air and Water Pollution Control and Solid Wastes Disposal

Under date of September 28, members were mailed working draft copies of survey report forms which will be put out to MCA member companies. Messrs. Rook and Wilkenfeld commented briefly, indicating that refinement of the forms is in progress by the Air Quality and Water Resources Committees.

6.3 Future Planning

Hope was expressed that individual committee proposals would be forthcoming by the end of the month, or at least in time for consideration at the next EHAC meeting.

Mr. Wilkenfeld furnished copies of an outline he prepared for use within his company indicating environmental data proposed to be obtained for each of the company's products.

7. Polyvinyl Chloride Resins

Dr. Dernehl reviewed a special meeting of polyvinyl chloride resin manufacturers held on October 6 to discuss medical observations of terminal bone lesions in the fingers of certain employees, apparently associated with polyvinyl chloride resins production. This matter was brought to attention by B. F. Goodrich Chemical Company, the meeting having been held under the auspices of the MCA Occupational Health Committee. Subsequently, recommendations for in-plant medical studies, industry-sponsored toxicological research (possibly \$100,000), and an open symposium -- summer 1967 if technical findings justify it by that time -- were taken to the Executive Committee. These recommendations were favorably received, and the Occupational Health Committee was requested to proceed with plans, subject to future approval.

8. Atomic Energy Commission - Record Keeping on Radiation Workers' Exposure

Mr. Runion prefaced remarks on legislative developments by some statistics on the rapidly increasing rate of nuclear power generation and the cumulative character of radiation exposure. On this account the Atomic Energy Commission sponsored the introduction