

MINUTES
OF THE

OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH & SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING
NATIONAL INSULATION MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION

Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania October 10, 1967

The meeting was called to order on October 10, 1967, at 11:30 A.M. at Chatham Center in Pittsburgh with the following persons present.

<u>Members:</u>	Dr. L. B. Grant	PPG Industries
	Mr. C. L. Sheckler	Johns-Manville
	Mr. F. H. Edwards	Owens Corning
	Mr. L. D. Horowitz	Certaineed Products

<u>Guests:</u>	Mr. J. Vyverberg	Owens Corning
	Dr. Bishop	Owens Corning
	Mr. E. Fedder	Johns-Manville

This meeting was held in conjunction with the official luncheon at the Annual Industrial Hygiene Foundation Meeting.

Mr. Sheckler reported a bad press in New Jersey in regard to the relationship of asbestos exposure and mesothelioma. In his opinion, this had made it even more urgent for his Education Subcommittee to develop the second round Educational Program for the IDCNA. As part of this program, a pamphlet is being prepared on the safe handling of insulation materials. Target dates given by Mr. Sheckler for the Education Subcommittee's activities included a February 1, 1968 consideration of the entire program by the Occupational Health & Safety Committee. The final program must be ready for presentation at the Regional IDCNA meetings by April 1, 1968. On the subject of possible recommendations in regard to pre-employment and periodic medical examinations for the insulation workers, Mr. Sheckler requested that Dr. Grant provide his Subcommittee with a recommendation in regard to examination content.

Mr. Sheckler reported his meeting with Dr. I. J. Selikoff at which time he briefly discussed the NIMA Educational Program. Dr. Grant reiterated his previously expressed opinion that the Committee coordinate the Educational Program in preparation with Dr. W. C. Cooper to minimize so far as possible conflicting advice being provided by our group and Dr. Cooper's group.

While at the time of meeting no information was available in regard to the present status of the U. S. Public Health Service mineral fiber industry study, Dr. Grant briefly met with Dr. Lewis Cralley of the U. S. Public Health Service following the meeting. Dr. Cralley indicated he would be contacting various member industries in NIMA to establish the cohorts for the U.S.P.H.S. Records Study of the mineral fiber industry.

The question of establishing another Subcommittee of the Occupational Health & Safety Committee was raised by Mr. Sheckler. The purpose of this Subcommittee would be to respond quickly to inquiries or problems directed to the

Occupational Health & Safety Committee. Following a discussion it was decided that formation of the Subcommittee would be postponed until some experience had been gained relative to the nature of the present problems. To date, no problems of the sort envisioned by Mr. Sheckler have come to the attention of this Committee.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

L. B. Grant, M. D.