

CHEMICAL MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION
HEALTH AND SAFETY COMMITTEE

Minutes of Meeting

CMA M Street Conference Room
2501 M Street, NW
Washington, DC 20037

Thursday
September 23, 1993
9:15 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Members Present

Eugene C. Capaldi
William R. Hookey
David M. Kiser
Peter L. Lubs
Jorge C. Olguin
Larry W. Rampy
Janos Schulze
John P. Sepesi
David D. Sigman

ARCO Chemical Company
Chevron Chemical Company
Eastman Chemical Company
The Lubrizol Corporation
DuPont
Dow Chemical Company
Ciba-Geigy Corporation
Shell Oil Company
Exxon Chemical Company

Members Absent

R. Robert Briggs
Marvin A. Friedman
Constance A. Kolajtowicz
Thomas E. Liles
Vincent J. Marchesani
Stephen J. Robinson

Rhone-Poulenc, Incorporated
Cytec Industries
Amoco Chemical Company
Union Carbide Corporation
HIMONT, Inc.
Monsanto Company

CMA Staff

*Keith Belton
*Susan Conti
*Karen Cragg
*Jon Holtzman
Carolyn Loop
*Bob Ondecan
Arlene Sapers
Wendy Sherman
Sandra Tirey

Invited Guests

Hank Foglesong

Dow Corning Corporation

*part-time

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1. The minutes of the August 18, 1993, meeting were approved without changes.
2. L. Rampy and B. Hookey presented meeting ground rules and effective meeting techniques. These were adopted immediately with several additions. L. Rampy will modify the ground rules for next meeting. These will be provided in all meeting books and posted at the meetings. Flip charts will be used to record action items and maintain an issue bin during the course of the meeting. All HSC members are encouraged to help maintain these procedures. A timekeeper and scribe will also be appointed. At the close of each meeting the "pluses and deltas" (positive and negative aspects of the meeting) will be recorded.
3. B. Hookey reviewed the budget process flow chart and the changes recommended from the Steering Task Group (STG). Coordination with other Standing Committees on projects that support cross-cutting strategic issues must be initiated in the June/July time frame. The STG will further evaluate and make a recommendation on coordination issues in October, 1993.

G. Capaldi reviewed the status of the FY 94/95 budget preparation. Fifty projects were submitted by the task groups. These projects were correlated with the strategic issues. Approximately \$500,000 of requests were submitted that were categorized as Group I, the highest funding priority. An additional \$700,000 of projects in the Group II category were requested. As only \$800,000 in funding is anticipated, Group II projects will need to be justified in order to receive funding. A separate stipend will be sought to support the implementation of the Risk Principles.

Sponsors were reminded that budget project forms are due to CMA on October 13, 1993. These will be reviewed by STG and HSC at the October meeting to conduct the next round of budget evaluation.

4. G. Capaldi reviewed the results of the first Management Review Team (MRT) meeting. The group focused on identifying issues in the areas of process, organization and communication, with the goal of presenting recommendations in January, 1994.
5. J. Olguin and G. Capaldi reviewed the results of a meeting among the chairs and vice-chairs in the Regulatory Affairs department. While there was good information sharing, there is still a need to address coordination among the Committees.

A meeting of all of the Association Committee Chairmen will be held on September 24, 1993. HSC provided input to J. Olguin for that meeting on strengths, opportunities and major obstacles in this area.

6. The OSH Focus Area reported the following:
 - The Health Programs Task Group is currently reviewing its workplan with a focus on promoting MEDTREC. It is also participating in an October 6, 1993, joint meeting with AIHC and ORC to explore a project on generic medical surveillance.
 - The Industrial Hygiene Task Group is evaluating performance measures to support the Employee Health and Safety Code. In addition, the task group has determined that it will not use previously allocated funds for generic exposure assessment (\$15,000) or generic occupational assessment (\$5,000). These funds may be applied to another project.

- The OSH legislative group is preparing to respond to Republican alternatives to the OSH Reform bill.
 - Representatives of the Focus Area met with Joe Dear, Administrator-Designate for OSHA. He expressed interest in performance measures and tentatively agreed to participate in the OSH Information Forum (currently scheduled for November 18, 1993).
 - An interim standard for lead removal developed by the construction industry will raise the cost of paint removal five to ten times more than the cost of current techniques.
 - OSHA is reconsidering requiring accredited training for emergency responders under the Hazardous Waste rules.
 - A presentation on PROSPECT will be scheduled for the October meeting.
 - The Voluntary Protection Program Participants nomination of Anita Nichols/Mobil to the NACOSH Committee will be seconded by CMA.
7. The Risk Focus Area reported the following:
- Wendy Sherman, staff to the Superfund Health Risk Assessment Task Group, has transferred to the Environmental Management Committee. Carolyn Leep will resume staffing responsibilities for the risk assessment and exposure assessment task groups.
 - Comments have been submitted to EPA on its proposed cancer risk assessment guidelines. A key point was the need for mechanistic information. The principles of neurotoxicity risk assessment are being reviewed and the Clean Air Act hazard ranking methodology is being evaluated.
 - A workshop on comparative risk will be held on October 13, 1993, with many external experts to assist in a brainstorming session to develop common terms and principles. The proceedings from the workshop will be used to support related efforts by the states of California and Texas. As many as 22 other states have indicated an interest in comparative risk.
 - The Exposure Assessment Task Group cosponsored a project with EPA on peak releases, which will be incorporated into EPA's revised exposure assessment protocol, which will be published shortly. The Task Group is also working with EMC on measuring indirect exposure from disposal methods such as incineration.
 - Many industry presenters from EATG will participate in EPA's exposure assessment symposium on October 25, 1993, in Research Triangle Park.
 - The Superfund Health Risk Assessment Task Group has completed two of five planned position papers. A workshop is being planned for the third quarter, 1994. The group has also met with representatives from the General Accounting Office, who are conducting a study in response to Congressmen Lautenberg and Dingell.

- Industry representatives from CMA and AIHC will meet with ATSDR and EPA to clarify and improve site risk assessment methodology.
 - The SHRATG is currently in need of anecdotes and examples of unreasonable risk estimates at Superfund sites. Previous requests for this information have not yielded a satisfactory response. H. Foglesong will communicate with EMC regarding the timeliness and possibilities for developing this information.
 - The Board Risk Principles were adopted and the ad hoc Board Committee has sunset. Mr. Barth, Ciba-Geigy, has been appointed Board sponsor for the issue. At the present time there are no volunteers to fill the loaned executive position, although a request for \$250,000 in Outside Purchase Service funds was requested to support this initiative.
 - A proposed amendment to the EPA cabinet bill would allocate resources on the basis of relative risk. This amendment is currently being opposed by the Administration.
8. The Product Stewardship Focus Area reported the following:
- The proposed revision to ANSI z129.1, Precautionary Labeling for Hazardous Chemicals, was approved. It will now be issued for balloting to the canvasees.
 - The recommendation to continue the MSDS Access Program, with greater promotion to the target audiences, was approved. This recommendation will be forwarded to the Board for action in October.
 - AIHC has now assumed a leadership role in industry advocacy with IARC.
 - B. Ondocsin and S. Conti provided a briefing on the status of the neurotoxicity endpoint rule. Legal action by the CHEMSTAR panels is likely. A final decision must be made by October 12, 1993.
 - The Chemical Reporting Task Group is continuing its efforts to develop comments on the 8(e) environmental guidance; a rough draft will be available shortly. It will include a request that EPA include emergency reporting in current proposals so that CAP participants can come to closure on the audit program and future reporting obligations are clear.
 - The next Living with TSCA workshop is tentatively scheduled for April 19-21, 1994.
 - Plant tours for 20 EPA staff through the Houston ship channel are being conducted.
 - The Board approved the proposed TSCA policy. The TUR policy was also approved, but with significant changes, specifically deleting the Pollution Prevention sections. The revised TUR policy will be provided in the next mailing.
 - Three CBI workshops, conducted jointly with EPA, are being planned and support material developed.
 - The Product Stewardship Task Group is organizing an effort to develop guidance on MSDSs for environmental impacts and proper disposal.
 - Six implementation aids for the codes are well along and should be nearing completion by the end of the year.

- The Public Advisory Panel agreed that it is premature to institute a measure of progress for the Product Stewardship Code at this time.
- The TUR task group is redefining its role and developing a long term strategy. The Existing Chemical Control Task Group will sunset now that the policy is approved, and a new task group will form to address the Toxics Agenda and Chemical Use Inventory. A presentation on these will be scheduled in October.

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- The PROSPECT measurement system has been significantly modified and approved by the Board. Definitions for "code in place" have been developed and approved.
- Holtzman briefed the group on the Public Outreach effort and previewed the new television advertisement.

10. J. Olguin closed the meeting by reviewing the issue bin, action list, and pluses and deltas for the meeting.

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