

CHEMICAL MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION

Health and Safety Committee

Minutes of Meeting

CMA Terrace A&B Conference Rooms
2501 M Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20037

Wednesday
November 20, 1991
9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Members Present

Eugene C. Capaldi
Susan P. Engelman
Martin W. Ferris
*Mark B. Finn
Marvin A. Friedman
Robert J. Hunt
John J. Kasper
Joseph E. LeBeau
Robert G. Link
Haines B. Lockhart
*Neil O. Neunaber
Jorge C. Olguin
Ladd W. Smith
Gary L. Ter Haar

ARCO Chemical Company
Hoechst Celanese Corporation
Air Products & Chemicals
Amoco Corporation
American Cyanamid Company
Chevron Chemical Company
Nalco Chemical Company
Dow Chemical Company
Union Carbide Corporation
Eastman Kodak Company
Olin Corporation
E.I. du Pont de Nemours
Occidental Chemical
Ethyl Corporation

Members Absent

Philip G. Lewis

Rohm and Haas Company

Invited Guests

*Ron Condray
*Fred Ellerbusch
*Tom Evans
*Jim Keith
*Patricia Kenworthy

Monsanto Company
Rhône-Poulenc
Monsanto Company
Dow Chemical Company
Monsanto Company

CMA Staff

*Tim Burns
Susan Conti
Karen Creedon
*Emily Currie
*Pam Duker
Diane Layne
*Fred McEldowney
Kathryn Rosica
Arlene Sapsara
Eileen Winkelman
*David Zoll

*Part-time

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1. G. Ter Haar, chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

2. MINUTES

The minutes of the October 16, 1991, meeting were approved as written.

3. STEERING TASK GROUP

L. Smith reviewed the items discussed at the November 19, 1991, Steering Task Group meeting noting that Larry Andrews/ARCO was appointed as chairman to the Risk Assessment Task Group and that the TSCA 8(a) CAP proposal was discussed.

4. BUDGET

L. Smith reviewed the HSC budget noting that 2/3 of the money has been approved but a significantly smaller amount has actually been contracted. He noted that the \$7500 to be paid for the peer review of the John Gray Institute study will come out of the ATSDR Databases' line item.

5. COMMITTEE PLAN

L. Smith noted that the Committee Plan will be reformatted and sent to the entire Committee for approval in December 1991.

6. RESPONSIBLE CARE®

L. Smith noted that the Product Stewardship Code has been sent out to the general membership for comment. Comments are due at the end of January. The Public Advisory Panel reviewed the code on October 17th and was supportive.

L. Smith handed out the most recent draft of the Employee Health and Safety Code noting that the Board previewed the code on October 28th. He informed the Committee that implementation workshops have been scheduled for March and April in New Orleans, Newark, Houston, San Francisco and Chicago.

7. INTERNATIONAL

F. McEldowney briefed the Committee on an UNCED proposal for an intergovernmental mechanism on risk assessment. A meeting to discuss the proposal is being held December 10-11, 1991, in London. Members suggested possible industry representatives who may be able to attend.

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8. AUDITS

N. Neunaber briefed the Committee on current audits advocacy efforts noting that the ad hoc audits task group will have a conference call November 27th to discuss a draft position and prepare to present it to the Board of Directors in January. A copy of the draft position was distributed. Members were asked to review the position internally and respond to N. Neunaber with any comments.

9. LIFE CYCLE ANALYSIS

- A. B. Hunt discussed the comments to EPA on a draft Life Cycle Inventory Guidance document. The Committee approved the comments.
- B. B. Hunt presented a paper on current industry practices for the SETAC February workshop on impact assessments in life cycle analyses. The Committee approved the concept of the paper. K. Rosica will send the paper to the Committee when it is available.

10. LEGISLATIVE STATUS REPORT

T. Burns provided a summary of new legislative developments and discussed CMA's legislative positions on toxic use reduction and the Clean Water reauthorization.

11. OSHA

T. Evans presented the overall position on the OSH Reform Act noting the following: 1) CMA supports changes to the current law that will truly improve safety and health in the workplace; 2) the proposed reform legislation does not substantially improve current law and inappropriately includes labor law reform issues; 3) examination of the issues should be done in partnership with interested parties; and, most importantly, 4) CMA should actively participate in the process of legislative reform to promote safety and health protection. The Committee approved these concepts.

12. TSCA

- A. J. Keith briefed the Committee on the Chemical Reporting Task Group's activities. He noted that 1) more dialogue is needed on "recently learned" guidance, 2) CMA needs to develop a message that 8(e) is no longer a substantial risk reporting program, and 3) CMA needs to get data on paperwork burden, economic impact and compliance problems.
- B. Patricia Kenworthy and Ron Condray of Monsanto briefed the Committee on a proposal to use funds collected under the TSCA 8(e) Compliance Program for beneficial research. G. Ter Haar asked for volunteers to put together a scoping paper to brainstorm and explore the possibility of using audit funds for constructive purposes. M. Friedman, G. Ter Haar, and a representative from Hoechst Celanese (to be

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appointed by S. Engelman) will report back to the Committee in January.

- C. M. Friedman requested approval of a follow up letter to EPA regarding reporting requirements for "salts". The Committee approved the letter.
- D. S. Conti briefed the Committee on the recent U.S. Court of Appeals decision overturning the asbestos final rule.

13. COMMITTEE OPEN MEETING

N. Neunaber briefed the Committee on the status of the Open Meeting and asked for ideas on program topics. Suggestions included: display of community advisory panels and crisis management resources such as the TSCA manual and videotapes that CMA has developed. The meeting will be targeted towards plant managers and corporate managers.

14. FOCUS AREA REPORTS

G. Ter Haar noted that the Product Programs and TSCA Focus area refined their goals and objectives at the last meeting. The other focus areas had nothing new to report.

15. SPONSOR REPORTS

G. Olguin noted that the Industrial Hygiene Issues Task Group has been discussing quality assurance in industrial hygiene sampling. This project will be included in next year's budget. The Generic Standards' workshop was a success. The Worker's Family Protection Act is being delayed in the House. He also noted that the Industrial Hygiene Issues Task Group will be developing comments to OSHA on Indoor Air Quality.

B. Link reported that the ergonomics guide will be ready by the end of the year; an OSHA rule is expected next year. The facility safety inspector guide is almost done. The Safety Programs Task Group is preparing for code implementation.

B. Hunt noted that the MSDS access proposal will be ready for HSC approval in December. The CPSC was surprised by the opposition to the chronic hazard labeling and will work on alternatives and CHAP options. The MSDS ANSI Standard is almost ready for canvassing.

M. Friedman noted the the Chemical Reporting Task Group is collecting survey information on the cost of the TSCA 8(e) CAP.

J. Kasper noted that the legislative group is working on TSCA Section 6.

M. Finn noted that the ad hoc Indoor Air Quality Group met and will meet again on December 17th to prepare for a January presentation to the Committee.

F. Ellerbusch, Environmental Management Committee (EMC) liaison, noted that the EMC is interested in a number of the HSC issues, especially ecological risk and TSCA 8(e) environmental issues.

16. ADMINISTRATIVE

G. Ter Haar requested that the December Committee meeting be held from 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and that the Steering Task Group meeting be held from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. The Committee approved the request.

17. G. Ter Haar adjourned the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Kathryn A. Rosica", with a small "for" written below it.

Kathryn A. Rosica
Director
Health Programs

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