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MINUTES OF THE MEETING TO DEVELOP
WORK PRACTICES FOR THE USE OF
ASBESTOS IN THE DRILLING INDUSTRY
HELD JANUARY 25, 1982

A meeting to develop work practices for the use of asbestos in the drilling industry was held on Monday, January 25, 1982, at 9:00 A.M., in the Cortez Room at the Hilton Hotel, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

The following representatives of the companies set opposite their respective names were present:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Company</u>
B. J. Pigg	Asbestos Information Association, N.A.
K. N. Campbell	Montello, Inc.
John L. Myers	Union Carbide Corp.
F. J. Shell	Phillips Petroleum
Steven Kuhn	Johns-Manville
Harold Hopkins	Noble Drilling Corp.
W. J. Woodruff	Phillips Petroleum
A. J. Johnson	Montello, Inc.
Charles Butler Ammann	Gable, Gotwals, Rubin, Fox, Johnson & Baker

Mr. Pigg acted as Chairman of the meeting and appointed Mr. Ammann to act as Secretary of the meeting.

After a short introductory statement, Mr. Pigg called the meeting to order and then recognized Mr. Campbell who delivered the opening comments and outlined the purpose for the meeting. After describing the complexity and variety of the issues associated with the use of asbestos, Mr. Campbell then stated that the purpose of the meeting was to develop and propose recommended work practices and guidelines for using asbestos products in the drilling fluids industry.

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The Chairman then asked Mr. Ammann to identify himself and to relate the particular reason for his presence at the meeting. Mr. Ammann, an attorney, was asked to join the meeting for the purpose of monitoring the discussions and proceedings of the meeting to assure the participants' activities were directed solely to the stated purpose of the meeting and not to any matter which could be construed as anti-competitive or a violation of the anti-trust laws. After providing an overview of the types of practices prohibited by the anti-trust laws, Mr. Ammann further apprised the group of specific areas and examples of discussions which might be construed to violate such laws. The group acknowledged its need to avoid and did avoid any discussion or activity which might be deemed anti-competitive and/or a violation of the anti-trust laws.

The Chairman next recited the events and developments which have occurred concerning the desirability of establishing acceptable work practices for the use of asbestos in the drilling fluids industry, and related a perceived willingness on the part of regulatory agencies to at least consider work practices which are recommended by the industry. Work practices which have been accepted in other industry segments were cited as examples. Furthermore, the Chairman stated that the Asbestos Information Association, N.A. has received favorable indications from regulatory sources regarding the hoped-for acceptance of proposed work practices for construction and non-fixed worksites.

At the conclusion of the Chairman's statements, each representative was provided an opportunity to explain his respective company's interest at the meeting, and, where appropriate, to report the progress such company has made in promoting or developing recommended work practices for the use of asbestos in the drilling mud industry.

From the discussion described above, the meeting proceeded to the development of a final draft of recommended work practices for using asbestos in drilling muds. The Chairman furnished each of the members of the group a copy of the type-written working draft. The group considered, and eventually agreed upon the language to be employed in a booklet containing the recommended work practices.

The Chairman noted the changes made by the group to the language contained in the working draft and assumed the responsibility of incorporating the revisions and producing the draft in final form for re-submission to the group.

At this point, the Chairman outlined a plan for follow-up action to the day's proceedings and asked for final comments from members of the group regarding the same. Afterwards, the Secretary announced that he would prepare minutes of the meeting and furnish each member of the group with a copy.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 P.M.


Charles Butler Armann
Secretary of the Meeting

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