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CHEMICAL MANUFACTURERS ASSOCIATION

Health and Safety Committee

Minutes of Meeting

CMA Terrace A & B Conference Rooms
2501 M Street, NW
Washington, DC 20037

Wednesday
April 17, 1991
9:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

Members Present

Eugene C. Capaldi	ARCO Chemical Company
Wallace F. Dyste	Dow Corning Corporation
Susan P. Engelmann	Hoechst Celanese Corporation
Marvin A. Friedman	American Cyanamid Company
John J. Kasper	Nalco Chemical Company
Thomas J. Marriott	Air Products & Chemicals
Neil O. Neunaber	Olin Corporation
James H. Price	Quantum Chemical Corporation
James H. Senger	Monsanto Company
David D. Sigman	Exxon Chemical Company
Ladd W. Smith	Occidental Chemical
Gary L. Ter Haar	Ethyl Corporation
John C. Willett	Shell Oil Company

Members Absent

Philip G. Lewis	Rohm and Haas Company
Haines B. Lockhart	Eastman Kodak Company

CMA Staff

Marilyn Browning
Emily Currie
David Hastings
Leslie King
Diane Layne
Bob Ondocsin
Kathryn Rosica
Gordon Strickland
Eileen Winkelman

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1. J. Willett, chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

2. MINUTES

Minutes of the March 20, 1991, meeting were approved as written.

3. FY 1990/91 BUDGET

T. Marriott reviewed the budget, noting corrections to the committee approved projects. The Committee has approved $740,000 in outside purchase service funds to date.

4. STEERING TASK GROUP

T. Marriott reviewed discussions of the Steering Task Group at its April 16, 1991, meeting. Items discussed included budget requests, task group chairman and sponsor assignments, the CAER Task Group, and the upcoming Committee planning meeting.

5. ADMINISTRATIVE

J. Willett requested the rules of procedure be waived to consider a new task group chairman appointment and a budget request for the planning meeting. The Committee agreed and appointed Tony Mortimer of Union Carbide Corporation as Product Safety Task Group chair, succeeding Glenn Weckerlin of Chevron. Discussion of the planning meeting was deferred to later on the agenda. J. Willett also reported that he approved $1500 in outside funds to support travel expenses for Mr. Johnson of Eastman Kodak to attend an international ergonomics meeting as a CMA representative.

J. Willett also reviewed the incoming Board officer and Committee chair and vice-chair appointments. CMA's policy on spouse attendance at CMA events was also reviewed.

6. APRIL 1991 BOARD MEETING

J. Willett reviewed actions taken and reports presented to the Board of Directors at their April 1991 meeting. Proposed policies on risk and indoor air quality legislation were approved as presented; the Board also previewed a policy on worker participation, and heard an overview of upcoming occupational safety and health legislative issues.

7. OSHA

E. Winkleman reviewed upcoming legislative issues related to occupational safety and health. B. Ondocsin also described a new legal advisory group being formed to address occupational safety and health legislation.

8. CAER

A. W. Dyste reviewed additional funding needed to develop a crisis management videotape and requested $20,625 to complete the project. The Committee approved the request.

B. W. Dyste introduced a proposal to transfer CAER to the Engineering and Operations Committee. The Committee discussed the proposal and noted the importance of CAER to

the Committee's risk program, and a need for continuing focus on safety issues. The Committee unanimously opposed the proposal.

9. TSCA

S. Conti reviewed EPA's recent response to CMA's proposal to address problems with the Section 8(e) Compliance Audit Program.

10. INDOOR AIR QUALITY

D. Sigman presented advocacy papers developed by various task groups in support of CMA's indoor air legislation policy and requested approval to distribute them to appropriate groups within CMA. The Committee approved the request and suggested the overall policy on legislation be included on each paper.

11. EPA

J. Kasper briefed the Committee on proposed technical criteria developed by CMA task groups for EPA's evolving environmental hazard communication regulation. Technical criteria addresses persistence, bioconcentration, and aquatic toxicity. Kasper asked the Committee to approve the criteria for presentation to EPA. The Committee approved the request.

12. FETAL PROTECTION POLICIES

B. Ondocsin reviewed the recent Supreme Court decision on fetal protection policies and noted possible regulatory implications of the court decision.

13. EXPOSURE ASSESSMENT

M. Friedman described a project proposal to develop a case study demonstrating the impact of exposure assumptions and requested approval to spend $20,000 to hire a consultant for the project. The Committee discussed the project scope and possible contractors. Pending questions about the project were left unanswered; the Committee approved the budget request pending further discussion and resolution among the task group sponsor, chairman, Risk Assessment Task Group chair, and CMA staff.

14. ANNUAL PLANNING MEETING

J. Price reviewed the revised preliminary program for the Committee's annual planning meeting and requested approval to spend up to $10,000 to hire planning experts/meeting facilitators for the meeting. The Committee approved the request.

15. FOCUS AREA AND SPONSOR REPORTS

Focus area leaders, sponsors, and staff briefed the Committee on major activities planned and underway since the last meeting:

- L. Smith reported on the Product Safety Task Group's continuing progress on developing the ANSI MSDS standard, fostering international hazard classification harmonization, and refining the product stewardship code. K. Rosica noted the possible formation of a new work group on lifecycle analysis and CMA participation at a WHO/IPCS meeting on hazard classification.

- L. King reported that draft risk model legislative language would be submitted to the Committee at their May meeting and described the Risk Assessment Task Group's plans for projects on EPA's inhalation reference dose methods.

- M. Friedman reported that the multimedia exposure assessment workshop was a great success.

- J. Kasper described efforts to identify issues and strategies for TSCA reauthorization.

- D. Layne announced future MSDS workshops scheduled for May 8 and June 27, 1991.

- S. Tirey reported on a request for nominees to the ATSDR Board of Scientific Counselors, an upcoming NIOSH workshop on high-risk worker notification, and the March OECD extended steering and exposure experts meetings.

- J. Price announced the availability of CMA's TSCA manual and reported on EPA's intentions to revise the TSCA salt exemption. He also reviewed activities of the Ad Hoc John Grey Institute Group.

- N. Neunaber noted EPA's comment period extension for a proposed TSCA Section 4 endpoint rule.

16. EPA

Mark Greenwood, Director of EPA's Office of Toxic Substances, and Rick Picardi, EPA industry liaison, joined the meeting to discuss future plans and major programs within the Office of Toxic Substances. Members discussed a number of issues with Greenwood and agreed to send a follow-up letter to EPA with further details and indications of relative priorities.

17. ADDITIONAL REPORTS

- The Committee reviewed and concurred with a decision to terminate a contract with the University of North Carolina on neurotoxicity.

18. The following items were handed out at the meeting:

- Description of EPA Clean Air Act Chemical Accident Safety Board and request for nominees

- o 1991 Winners of the Lamont Du Pont Safety Awards
- o Roster list for the Exposure Assessment Task Group
- o Labor's Agenda for a Stronger Occupational Safety and Health Act
- o Workshop announcement - process safety management for smaller companies

19. J. Willett thanked committee members for their efforts over the last year and adjourned the meeting at approximately 2:45 p.m.

Kathryn A. Rosica
Director
Health and Safety

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