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**AUTOMATIC EXTINGUISHING SYSTEMS ADVISORY COMMITTEE****MEETING ACCOUNT
WEDNESDAY, October 06, 2004**

Committee Goal: To provide a means of communication between the Office of the State Fire Marshal, representatives of industry, the public and the fire service; and to seek comments and specific views on proposed regulations and intended future action.

Meeting Attendees

Mike Richwine, Chair
Patty Williams, Advisor
James Parsegian, Program Coordinator
Yevonne Costa, Program Assistant
Fred Benn, Sprinkler Contractor AFSE/NFSA
Darrell Hefley, Jorgensen & Co
Darrell Harguth, Brooks Fire Equipment
Lorin Neyer, OSHPD
Sam Husoe, NFSA
Jim McLaughlin, Lund, Pearson, McLaughlin
Wayne Martin, FSAB
Randy Dysart, Beacon Fire & Safety
Steve Hart, NAS-IP
Jim Feld, Feld Engineering
Jaymae Wentker, City of Mountain View
Barry Sigal, industry rep

Members Absent

Bruce Lecair, Woodland FD
Robert Raymer, CBIA
Massoud Araghi, Ventura County
Chris Gilbert, Simplex Grinnell

Guest

Ruben Grijalva, State Fire Marshal

Approval of Minutes

Mike Richwine called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. at the OSFM's Headquarters conference room in Sacramento. Chair, Mike Richwine asked for additions or corrections or approval of the minutes of June 30, 2004. The minutes were approved unanimously. State Fire Marshal Ruben Grijalva spoke to the committee, he gave a brief statement regarding the consolidation between our office and CDF, and he also asked that the committee establish a list of priorities pertaining to this committee for him to review. Chief Grijalva was very optimistic about the future of our organization.

Action Item

- Committee to create priority list for Chief Grijalva's review.

OLD BUSINESS- WORK GROUP ISSUES

UL 300 Update

The UL 300 package was approved by the Fire & Life Safety Board; it will now go forward on 10-18-2004 to the Building Standards commission, the commissions hearing will be held on November 18, 2004.

Contractor State Licensing Board (CSLB) Update

James shared a letter received from CSLB, dated October 04, 2004, regarding questions our office raised regarding clarification of specific items. There seems to be a lot of discrepancies between our office and CSLB regarding interpretation of the Health and Safety Code regarding fire-extinguishing systems. This is an ongoing issue.

Action Item

- James will forward a copy of this letter to each member once a signed copy is received from CSLB.
- Steve Hart will provide a copy of a letter received from CSLB in 1986 regarding same issues that were readdressed in 2004. The committee will make a comparison.
- Committee will also do a comparison between CSLB C-16 licenses vs. SFM automatic systems license. This will carry over to our next meeting.
- Ad hoc group consisting of Steve Hart, Barry Sigal, Mike Waldron and Randy Dysart to come up with a possible recommendation for testing to certify individuals who service automatic systems under SFM licenses.

NFPA 25/ Title 19 Changes

James and Jim Feld will be giving a presentation at the Fire & Life Safety Board on October 08, 2004 regarding changes our office would like to see made to current NFPA 25 and Title 19 requirements.

AB 2401

James shared with the committee AB 2401, which is a disciplinary action draft guideline, which will allow SFM to collect monetary penalties from owners in lieu of suspension of licenses. James would like comments regarding this issue sent to him.

New Business

Mike Richwine share information from a meeting he had with Bruce Fujimoto from the Water Resources Control Board. The meeting was held regarding ground water released from testing of automatic systems. Mike will follow up with an email to Mr. Fujimoto for further information. This is an ongoing issue.

Next Meeting

The next meeting was set for January 25, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. in the State Fire Marshal's headquarters conference room in Sacramento. The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

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