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**OFFICE OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL  
Fire Extinguisher Advisory Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
February 23, 2015  
Main Conference Room, Office of the State Fire Marshal**

**COMMITTEE GOAL**

To provide a means of communications between the Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM), representatives of industry, the public and the fire service; and to seek comments and specific views on proposed regulations and intended future action.

**STAFF**

Jeff Schwartz, Committee Chair

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

- \*James Carver, City of El Segundo Fire Dept.
- \*Tom Santos, Imperial Beach Fire Department
- Randy Dysart, CALSAFE
- Frank Gardner, Stanford University
- Darrell Hefley, Jorgensen & Company
- Edie Wade, Brooks Equipment
- \*Craig Voelkert, Amerex Corporation
- \*Robert Calderon, Kaiser Foundation Hospitals
- \*Anthony Romero, Kern County Fire Department
- \*Daniel Fitkin, Cintas Fire Protection
- \* *Attended via telephone conference call*

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Kent Miller, Port of Stockton  
Glenn Younger, California Small Business Association  
Mike Brand, Brandco  
Robert Nolan, Anaheim Fire Department  
Chris Hoiland, Orange County Fire Protection  
JR Nerat, Badger

**MEETING CALLED TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Jeff Schwartz at 9:50 AM on February 23, 2015.

## **ROLL CALL AND INTRODUCTIONS**

A roll call was taken with members at the meeting and members on the conference call. A quorum was met.

## **APPROVAL OF MINTUES**

The minutes for the December 17, 2014 meeting were reviewed. A motion was made by E. Wade to approve the minutes as written; second by D. Hefley. A vote was taken; all in favor, none opposed. The meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### Regulations Update

J. Schwartz shared via Go To Meeting the latest regulations package for the group to review. The highlighted areas are those that have had changes made to them.

- 557.1 – Advertisement definition—website, email and online networking system have been added as forms of advertisement.
- 557.3 – Conviction definition has been removed.
- 557.5(e) – Exchange definition—language has been clarified.
- 560.5 – Portable Fire Extinguisher Exchanges—added date of removal and date of return. Date of return is 60 days from the date of removal.
- 591.5 – Replacement Extinguishers—removed “for any other purpose” and added date of return.
- 595.4 – Duplicate Issuance—added Certificate of Registration and license for language clarification.
- 595.7 – Business Location—cleaned up fee schedule discrepancy
- 596 – New Section added by committee
- 596.12 – Permissive Use—removed second use of Seal of Registration.
- 602 – Fraudulent Impersonation—changed numbering from 603

D. Hefley asked for an updated clean copy of the regulation package for their records. J. Schwartz assured the group that a copy will be shared once completed. A. Romero asked if the phrase “By signing this tag, we certify that all deficiencies have been cleared” could be added to the FE tag (similar to the AES tag). J. Schwartz informed Romero that he should submit that request/inquiry as an agenda item for discussion with the group. D. Hefley stated that the regulations already state that the tag is to be attached once all required maintenance is performed, therefore the additional statement is not needed on the tag, as it is already addressed in Title 19, Section 596.3(a).

### Health & Safety Code Section 13188.4

J. Schwartz stated there is a meeting set with Cal Fire Legal Department for language review for the citation program. This will be discussed in more depth at the next meeting.

### FAQ for Replacement vs. Loaner

Tabled to next meeting per D. Hefley request.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Bagley Keene Act**

A copy of the Bagley Keene Open Meeting Act of 2004 was distributed to all members present. J. Schwartz asked everyone to review the Act, specifically Section 11121.9, which states that every member shall be provided a copy for their records.

## **OPEN FORUM**

Kidde and Consumer Product Safety Commission has put out an announcement for voluntary recalls to Kidde Extinguishers. J. Schwartz is preparing an Information Bulletin for distribution to the public.

R. Dysart submitted a copy of a tag and asked whether it would be considered red or white. The group agrees that the tag would be considered red in accordance with Title 19, Section 596.2(d).

E. Wade inquired as to the status of the white paper on Third Party Testing. J. Schwartz stated it is still in the proposal stage but is moving forward for bids.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

1. D. Hefley and C. Hoiland to draft FAQ on REPLACEMENT vs. LOANER
2. J. Schwartz to draft Information Bulletin regarding water hydrostatic testing (Section 575.7)

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for May 18, 2015 at 10:00 AM. The meeting will be held at the State Fire Marshal's Office, 1131 S Street, Sacramento, CA. The meeting was adjourned at 11:10 AM.