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**FIRE EXTINGUISHER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
DRAFT MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday, June 13, 2007

Committee Goal: To provide a means of communications 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.

Member Present

Vickie Sakamoto, Division Chief State Fire Marshal (CDF-CSFM) Chair
James Parsegian, Supervising Deputy State Fire Marshal (CDF-CSFM)
Caroline Fudge, Program Assistant (CDF-CSFM)
Mike Waldron, Senior Deputy State Fire Marshal-RA
Edie Wade, Brooks Equipment
Randy Dysart, Beacon Fire and Safety
Darrell Hefley, Jorgenson Co.
Chris Gilbert, Tyco Fire & Safety
Darrell Harguth, Brooks Equipment
Kent Miller, Stockton FD
Glenn Younger, California Small Business Association
Cynthia Leon, Ca. Manufacturers & Technology Association
David Casey, Dept. General Services
Ian Padilla, Coalition for Adequate School Housing
James Carver, El Segundo Fire Department
Bob Gebel, City of Torrance
Nancy Ahlswede, Apartment Association, CA. Southern Cities, Inc.
Loran Blasdel, Porterville Fire Department

Members Absent

Chris Hoiland, Orange County Fire Protection
Mike Brand, Brandco
Kevin Bass, Orange County Fire Authority
Mathew Hargrove, BOMA
Robert Nolan, Alliance of Schools Cooperative Ins. Programs.
Craig Voelkert, V.P Sales-Special Hazards

Meeting Called to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chief Sakamoto @ 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 13, 2007.

Introduction of CSFM Staff

New members were recognized by Chief Sakamoto. Chief Sakamoto proceeded to tell new members that she thanks them for participating and volunteering their time; it is appreciated and welcomes them to the Fire Extinguisher Advisory Committee.

Approval of Minutes

Randy Dysart made a motion to approve the November 2006 meeting minutes as written. Motion was second by Edie Wade. Motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

- 1) Regulations Update; California Building and Fire Code (CBC) & (CFC)- James discussed the regulations, published date July 2007, effective January 1, 2008 and Committee recommendations – The committee was provided with a copy of CFC Section 906.
 - a.) A copy of the new Title 19, April 2007 was given to committee. Seven Articles removed due to duplication in Title 19.
- 3) A vehicles check list was to be given to committee; Mike Brand was unable to attend. James explained the project the committee.
- 4) Committee Update
 - a.) Regulations-Chris Gilbert discussed what has been incorporated in to Title 19, James explained. Committee will be spending time addressing NFPA 10.
 - b.) Training - No report
 - c.) Enforcement - Nancy Ahlswede, Executive Director from Apartment Association, talked about procedures and that she would get those procedures from Department of Real Estate as example. Due to staff council we are having trouble putting that on the web.
- 5) Testing Updates - Proposal put forth one type test per testing. After discussion committee felt this was not a good idea. The rest of procedures for testing were okay. Handout was given, see attached.

New Business

1) Enforcement

- a.) Chief Sakamoto talked about enforcement actions, trials and tribulations concerning staffing.
- b.) Established new workgroups:

Enforcement: Chris Gilbert, Edie Wade, Darrell Harguth, Darrell Hefley, Mike Brand, Kent Miller, Ian Padilla, Bob Gebel, Nancy Ahlswede and Mike Waldron.
Meeting: July 9, 2007, 9:00 a.m. at SFM.

Training: Mike Brand, Darrell Hefley, Bob Gebel, Loren Blasdell, Randy Dysart and Mike Waldron.
Meeting: July 17, 2007, 9:00 a.m. in Bakersfield.

Regulations: Chris Gilbert, Edie Wade, Darrell Harguth, Darrell Hefley, Cynthia Leon, David Casey, James Carver, Bob Gebel, Glenn Younger, Nancy Ahlswede, Randy Dysart and Mike Waldron.
Meeting: July 9, 2007, after lunch from Enforcement meeting, Lunch to 4:00 p.m.

Open Forum

- Ethics Committee for CALSAFE
 - Peer group counseling they will address
- Problems with Verifications of Service Collars – referred to Regulations workgroup
- Testing procedures – being worked on by the Training workgroup
- Communications issues between local and State Fire Marshal – referred to Training workgroup
- Fee and Cost structure – referred to Regulations workgroup
- Cost recovery for local AHJ – referred to Enforcement workgroup
- Background checks, statutory requirement – SFM can not take a position on legislation
- Compliance issues – referred to Enforcement workgroup
- Placement of fire extinguishers in Schools – referred to Regulations workgroup
- Issues on tags – referred to Regulations workgroup
- Annual maintenance – referred to Enforcement workgroup
- Business licensing - Requirements for business licensing in multiple jurisdictions, referred to regulations workgroup.

Next Meeting – September 27, 2007 at 10:00, Southern California. Location to be determined.