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Flame Retardant Advisory Committee
MINUTES
Monday, May 23, 2011
Meeting/Teleconference

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.

SFM STAFF:

Ben Ho, Division Chief
James Parsegian, Chair
Jason DeWitt, Technical Advisor
Vikkie Raby, Assistant Program Coordinator
Anna Tigranyan, Support Staff

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Michael Lantier, City of Napa Fire Department
Amber Anderson, Cosumnes Community Services District

MEMBERS ON LINE:

Ellen Atkins, Delta Pacific Technologies, Flame Retardant/Flameproofing
Benjamin Bagwell, Glen Raven – Custom Fabrics
Juli Case, Industrial Fabrics Association International (IFAI)
Kathy Newman, Firetect Flame Retardants
Pedro Vega, Dazian Fabrics
Wendy Holt, Contract Services Administration Trust Fund
Joe McNally, Mountain View Christmas Tree Farm
Jonathan Curtsinger, Fabric Flameproofing

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Chris Bowness, QAI Laboratories
Bobby Puett, Diversified Testing Laboratories
Tom Andrews, Turning Star, Inc.

GUESTS ON LINE:

Rhonda Byrne, QAI Laboratories
Sue Uhler, Seamans Corporation
Jan Schieffer,
John Gant, Glen Raven

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 A.M., on Monday, May 23, 2011.

The Chair noted that there were no more openings on the Committee for industry representatives; however, there was a need for fire service and laboratory representation. Self introductions followed and a roll call was conducted; a quorum was established.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Chair requested discussion on the March 3, 2011 minutes. Wendy Holt motioned to approve the March 3, 2011 minutes; it was seconded by Ellen Atkins; and approved as written by vote.

III. OLD BUSINESS

A. Flame-Retardant Treatment of Hay

Mike Lantier introduced the subject of hay treatments for discussion. He has asked that anyone with suggestions email him directly.

B. Flame-Retardant Product Transmittal

A workgroup was formed at the suggestion of the Chair. The workgroup includes Kathy Newman, Jonathan Curtsinger, Mike Lantier, and Sue Uhler. Deputy Jason DeWitt will sit in as the SFM representative. Deputy DeWitt will contact everyone with a date for a phone conference. The issue will be revisited at the next meeting.

C. Task Group Reports

This issue was tabled due to Glenn Tong and Diane Arend not being present.

D. Article 7 – Field Testing for Fire Resistance

This issue was tabled due to Glenn Tong and Diane Arend not being present.

E. Article 8. Flameproofing Certification, Labeling and Installation

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IV. NEW BUSINESS

No new business was discussed.

V. OPEN FORUM

There were no open forum items.

VI. SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

The next teleconference was scheduled for June 21, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.

VII. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:53 A.M.