

**Minutes of the  
Teleconference of the  
Organic Pigments Committee  
May 23, 2017**

**I. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 11:08 AM by Chair Dr. Robert Mott (Sun Chemical). The following committee members were in attendance: Steve Camenisch (BASF), Eric Christman (BASF), Iian Currie (Apollo Colors), Frank Gillette (Flint Group), Dave Klebine (Apollo Colors), Ralph Svenningsen (Lansco). Also present were Issues Counsel Glenn Merritt (Fitzpatrick & Merritt), CPMA Executive Director David Wawer, and Program Manager Tatiana Letcheva.

**II. Review of the CPMA Antitrust Statement**

Chairman Mott noted that CPMA strictly follows antitrust guidelines, and that copies of such guidelines have been distributed previously to committee members. The full CPMA Antitrust Guidelines can be found in the Members' Section of the CPMA website.

**III. Minutes of April 4, 2017 Teleconference**

A motion was made (Currie), seconded (Klebine), and approved to accept the minutes of the April 4, 2017 Organic Pigments Issues Committee Teleconference as distributed.

**IV. Spokane Washington Stakeholder Meeting**

CPMA representatives, along with George Fuchs, Technical Director for NAPIM, participated in two days of industry meetings in Spokane Washington. The first day included the Association of Washington Business Spring meeting. The second day included a plant tour of Inland Empire Paper and a meeting with government and NGO stakeholders from the Spokane River Task Force. During the Task Force meeting, Task Force Chair Adrienne Borgias made a presentation, followed by presentations from Doug Krapas (Inland Empire Paper), David Wawer/Robert Mott (CPMA), and George Fuchs (NAPIM). Information learned during the plant tour- IEP uses 70% recycled paper to manufacture new paper; IEP collects recycled paper from all over USA; city and county single stream recycling programs contaminate at least 20% of the recycled paper purchased by IEP; the water used by IEP in its paper mill contains higher levels of PCB's than the water treated and released to the Spokane River; IEP's primary issue is the permit requirements for continuing to manufacture newsprint. Information learned from the Borgias presentation- the portrayal of PCB's in the Spokane River does not clearly articulate the actual sources of PCB's; the numbers used for PCB's generated by pigments/inks are hypothetical based upon incorrect assumptions; PCB-11 is not a dioxin or carcinogen. Information learned from the IEP presentation- the EPA-mandated 7 PKG/liter discharge requirement is not measurable or attainable; technology doesn't exist to achieve such levels; Department of Ecology proposed water quality levels of 170 PKG/liter, which is existing USEPA standard, would place Spokane River in compliance and enable IEP to continuing manufacturing for decades. During the NAPIM presentation, it was stated that any of the raw materials used to manufacture printing inks could be sources of PCB's. The Spokane River Task Force has never evaluated or researched this factor. Task Force members were very appreciative of the presentations made by CPMA and NAPIM, and valued the open dialogue with the Task Force. IEP host Doug Krapas presented

a list of suggested future steps, which will be evaluated and discussed within the respective organizations.

Action Items: Follow-up communications with Inland Empire Paper regarding suggested future collaboration; meeting with Congresswoman Rogers' Washington, DC Office regarding EPA Region 10 water quality mandates; meetings with EPA officials in Washington, DC regarding Region 10 water quality regulations mandates; meeting with Lisa Rodenburg at Rutgers University; news release to industry trade publications on CPMA-NAPIM collaboration; continue to monitor Washington State Department of Environmental Quality for new PCB in products initiatives- future presentations to ECY staff and senior management; monitor progress on National Toxicological Program PCB-11 study.

## V. TRI Delisting

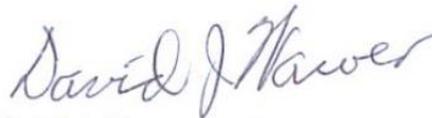
As part of President Trump's Executive Order on Regulatory Reform, USEPA is inviting comments from stakeholders about suggestions to streamline agency operation. EPA hosted a May 1, 2017 stakeholder outreach meeting to begin to solicit recommendations. A CPMA member company has suggested that CPMA petition EPA for the delisting of reportable pigments (organic and inorganic) from the mandatory TRI reporting requirement. A historical CPMA initiative was successful in this regard in past decades. It was suggested that available toxicological information such as robust summaries found in REACH dossiers could be included as technical evidence to support a delisting petition. The Committee agreed to move forward with this initiative (there is no specific timeline for submitting requests to EPA). Successful achievement of this initiative would result in reduced regulatory operating costs.

Action Item: CPMA staff will survey companies for prospective reportable color pigments to submit to EPA for delisting.

## VI. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:10 pm

Respectfully submitted,



David J Wawer  
Secretary

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