

**California Industrial Hygiene Council**

**Westgate Hotel  
San Diego, Ca  
September 9, 2008  
9:45-4:15 PM**

ATTENDEES

Jaime Steedman-Lyde / Southern California	Howard Spielman / Orange County
Jackie Luca/Southern California	Leo Vortuni / Orange County
Chris Laszcz-Davis/Northern California	Denise Daggett / San Diego
Joel Cohen/Northern California	Ann Graham, San Diego
Mark Cameron/Sacramento Valley	Cathy Barankin/Sac Advocacy

ITEM	ACTIVITY / DISCUSSION	ACTION ITEM MEMBER ASSIGNED
Call to Order, approval of July Minutes	<p>Jaime called the meeting to order at 9:50 AM. The July 17 conference call minutes were approved with minor changes.</p> <p>Cathy asked if agenda items could have a Board Members name associated with an item/topic in the future.</p>	<p><u>Denise</u> will make the minor changes to the July 17 conference call minutes and e-mail the final version to Touti for posting.</p> <p><u>Jaime</u> agreed and said she would make this addition to future agendas.</p>
Green Chemistry Initiative	<p>Howard, Chris and Cathy had an hour appointment scheduled with Maureen Gorsun at DTSC on August 26. She was unavailable, but Dr. Wong and Mr. Owens, two of her staff well-versed in the Green Chemistry initiative, were available. Cal-EPA deliverable thus far is a Phase 1 report which includes input from a variety of stakeholders solicited over the last 9 months, as well as the promulgation of two green chemistry regulations. The Phase II report due soon will attempt to synthesize the Phase 1 report into a few critical tactical items. Howard mentioned that Dr. Wong was open to the CIHC being involved in policy development. Cathy mentioned that Dr. Wong expressed concern about the possibility of losing DTSC industrial hygienists as a result of impending budget cuts.</p> <p>Subsequent to the meeting, UC Berkeley Green Chemistry advocate Dr. Meg Schwarzman asked Chris why CIHC submitted a letter of opposition to AB 1879. Chris sent her the CIHC opposition letter which essentially addresses the process (which lacked appropriate input) and the duplication of regulatory items already addressed elsewhere.</p> <p>Jaime asked that a short summary paragraph about the Green Chemistry Initiative be</p>	<p><u>Chris and Howard</u> will review the Phase I report and will circulate comments to the Board. <u>Board members</u> are encouraged to downstream the summary comments to their Local Sections. <u>Chris and Howard</u> will summarize any additional comments and continue the dialogue with DTSC.</p> <p><u>Chris</u> agreed to prepare a short summary paragraph on "What is the Green</p>

	<p>prepared that could be shared with the Local Sections.</p> <p>Chris suggested that a task group be formed consisting of herself, Howard, Mark, Cathy and Jackie to track further Green Chemistry developments.</p>	<p>Chemistry Initiative” for the Board member to review and share with their Local Sections. Please see the two pdf attachments included with the minutes.</p> <p><u>Chris, Howard, Cathy and Cameron</u> will constitute the Task Force.</p>
Aerosol Transmissible Disease Standards	<p>In July 2008, Cal-OSHA issued the proposed standards: Title 8: 5199, Aerosol Transmissible Diseases, and 5199.1, Aerosol Transmissible Diseases – Zoonotics. Cal-OSHA has been working on these standards since 2004, has received a fair amount of public comment over the 4 years, and hosted a “final” public hearing on August 21. Chris attended the hearing to learn more to report back to the Board and her local section. Testimony at the public hearing resulted in general support of the proposed standard, but with need to modify certain technical content, the need for Cal-OSHA to address the comments and consider a final revision. Chris reported that there will likely be one more round of the proposed standards. The issue of tracking regulatory developments and not just legislative progress was discussed. Howard, Leo, Joel, Cathy and Mark receive the Green Sheets which summarize the content of the Advisory Committee meetings. We have tracked some of the developing standards in the past (e.g., silica, diacetyl), but CIHC could be more active in the regulatory arena. All agreed that the CIHC would be more affirmative in the future when it came to regulatory proposals. It was suggested that this “more affirmative” role be reflected in the CIHC operating procedures.</p>	<p><u>Leo, Joel, Howard, Mark, and Cathy</u> are encouraged to review the Green Sheets and alert the Board regarding regulatory progress and upcoming hearings. <u>All Board Members</u> are encouraged to attend Advisory Committee hearings/meetings of interest and report back.</p> <p><u>Denise and Chris</u> to modify CIHC operating procedures to reflect the more affirmative role in reviewing Advisory Green Sheets for regulatory activity which CIHC needs to monitor.</p>
AB 515 Occupational Safety and Health (PELs)	<p>AB 515 became AB 514, then AB 1183 in an attempt to keep it alive. Cathy said that because the session is still open (state budget is still pending), the bill is still potentially viable. There may be a request for an Urgency Clause which means the bill could be resurrected.</p>	<p><u>Cathy</u> will continue to monitor the fate of this bill while the session is open.</p>
AB 2796 Status of Good Samaritan Bill	<p>AB 2796 (Nava): This bill has been reconciled in both houses and is ready to go to the Governor for signature once a budget is passed. This legislation would permit the Office of Emergency Services to set up a registry for professionals to sign up to offer their “pro bono” services during an emergency. Once on the registry, individual IHs would be exempt from liability while serving as community volunteers during emergencies.</p>	<p><u>Cathy</u> will alert us if this bill is signed, and Board Members can alert their Local Sections about the registry.</p>
SB 1386 Carbon Monoxide	<p>The title was changed to Residential Building Safety. The sponsor is Senator Lowenthal. He</p>	<p><u>Cathy</u> will let the Board Members know if the bill is</p>

	asked us to support this bill and CIHC did. This bill has been reconciled in both houses and is ready to go to the Governor for signature once a budget is passed.	signed.
Review of next bills – Good Science Initiative/PEL Bill	<p><i>Good Science Initiative:</i> Howard has been in contact with Edward Klinenberg, but has not received any draft text from him yet. Cathy met with Ed and gave him a copy of the Sunrise Bill to consider.</p> <p>Cathy suggested using a spot bill strategy for the development of a Good Science Initiative. She suggested that some basic language be crafted by mid-October and issued to the Board for review. CIHC would then be ready to approach a representative to introduce the bill in January/February.</p> <p><i>PEL Bill:</i> Howard is working on the development of some text. Howard explained that there are two PEL issues that we could address:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. documenting the PEL process</li> <li>2. defining requirements under 5155 such that CIH's serve as the competent person to direct air monitoring</li> </ol> <p>Leo mentioned that ASSE had objected to this concept in the past.</p> <p><i>Future Bills:</i> Jaime suggested that CIHC consider a "silica training for small businesses" bill. Howard suggested CIHC discuss this with Barbara Materna at the Conference. CIHC may be able to act as a catalyst for this idea and encourage dialogue.</p>	<p><u>Jaime</u> will contact Ed to discuss progress.</p> <p><u>Howard</u> will develop the basic language for this bill by mid-October and circulate to the Board Members.</p> <p><u>Howard</u> would like to reserve a table at the CIHC Conference luncheon to promote discussion of this topic as well as others.</p>
5155 Revisions	Mark asked about the proposed revisions to 5155 (addition of Irritant notations, medical surveillance and other requirements). Jaime and Howard discussed this revision a few months ago. Howard wrote a letter which included comments received from Jaime, Joel, and Mark. The opinion letter was submitted and met the Cal-OSHA deadline. Cal-OSHA said they had received numerous comments and would revisit the proposed revision.	No further action at this time.
Remaining Legislative Issues	63 bills are left on the Leg Report, 22 went to the Governor, 32 bills failed, and 9 are pending and likely to fail. We opposed 3 bills with letters and supported 3 bills with letters.	<u>Cathy</u> will let us know the fate of the bills we tracked, supported, or opposed once the bills are sent to the Governor.
Strategic Planning. Please review Mission Statement	Jackie circulated copies of the updated PowerPoint presentation on strategic planning. She walked the Board through the materials, and some additional information was provided to update the content. Jaime said that she wanted the focus to include legislative and regulatory monitoring AND new initiatives. She	<u>Jackie</u> will update the presentation to incorporate the comments and data received. She will send a final version to the Board members for use with their local sections.

	<p>needs a copy of the updated plan presentation for an upcoming local section meeting.</p> <p>Howard recalled that many years ago, the CIHC sent out a query to local section members to develop an expertise listing and suggested that perhaps we might want to revisit this concept.</p> <p>Chris mentioned how important it is to ensure that the message as to what CIHC is doing for the local section memberships gets out to the local sections. She had polled her local section for their input on the strategic planning PowerPoint and agreed to share their comments with Jackie for inclusion.</p> <p>Cathy brought up the fact that it would make sense strategically to engage California legislators whenever possible (e.g., send a congratulatory letter from the local section or CIHC right after the election so the profession is profiled and introduced to the legislators).</p> <p>This topic will be visited again at the December Board meeting.</p>	<p><u>Chris</u> will send the comments she has received from some of her local section members to Jackie.</p> <p><u>Cathy</u> will send the local sections a template congratulatory letter they could send out following the elections.</p> <p><u>Jaime</u> will put this topic on the December agenda.</p>
<p>Conference Details: Speaker Gifts, Vendors</p>	<p>Registration: early bird ends on Nov 14 No refunds after Nov 21 Hotel registration deadline is Nov 8. Joel's office will process the registrations.</p> <p><i>Gifts:</i> The Board discussed several options for attendee and speaker gifts. Jaime said she had asked Casa del Mar to find gifts in the \$10 range for the attendees and \$24 range for Speakers. The final decisions are as follows: Attendee gifts: recyclable bags or thumb drives Speakers: more ideas from the vendor.</p> <p><i>Social Networking Event:</i> The event is planned for Tuesday evening and will be either a harbor cruise or a wine and cheese pairing at the San Diego Wine &amp; Culinary Center (SDWCC) on Harbor Drive. Ann went over the harbor cruise information from 2006 with Jaime. If the harbor cruise is the choice, the food must be arranged through Hornblower, for we cannot use another caterer.</p> <p><i>Vendors:</i> Jaime sent Touti the vendor information on Sept 4 for posting. Howard is receiving the vendor checks. There are several options for the vendors to sponsor events at the conference. The costs are approximately the same as last year's. Jaime asked Denise and Ann to forward any vendor contact lists that are local for the San Diego area.</p>	<p>Gifts: <u>Jaime</u> will contact Casa del Mar for additional ideas.</p> <p>Social Networking Event: <u>Ann</u> (or Jaime) will look into the possibility of arranging the harbor cruise again. <u>Jaime</u> will contact SDWCC to determine costs and logistics.</p> <p>Vendors: <u>Ann or Denise</u> will contact Denise Devall for the PacSW vendor list and forward it to Jaime. .</p>

<p>Half Day Updates from Moderators</p>	<p>Jackie circulated the CIHC Conference 2008 schedule spreadsheet for comments.</p> <p><b>Dec 8 Monday: Government Update</b>  <b>AM: Howard</b>  All speakers are confirmed: Len Welsh, Cathy Barankin, Aaron Trippler, Barbara Materna, Maureen Gorsun. John Howard is our keynote speaker at lunch. Senator Lowenthal (CO bill sponsor) will receive an award of appreciation at the luncheon.</p> <p><b>Monday PM: Leo</b>  All Leo's speakers are confirmed: Dr. William Clark, Corey Yep, Nick Vent, and Charles Geraci from NIOSH.</p> <p><b>Dec 10 Tuesday: Global Climate Change &amp; Renewable Energy Sources</b>  <b>AM: Chris</b>  Chris has all her speakers confirmed: Dr. George Luber, CDC; Dr. Soroosh Sorooshian, UC Irvine; Ian Forrest, Esq, Hunton &amp; Williams, LLP and Dr. Don Lucas, Lawrence Berkeley National Labs.</p> <p><b>Tuesday PM: Jackie: Going Green – What Drives Environmental Performance?</b>  Jackie is working on final line-up.</p> <p>Tuesday Evening event: Bay cruise? Another possibility: wine tasting Happy Hour at The San Diego Wine and Culinary Center</p> <p><b>Dec 11 Wednesday AM: Chris: The Exposure Limit Crisis</b>  Confirmed: Chris Laszcz-Davis (historical perspective), Larry Gibbs, ACGIH; Steve Smith, Cal/OSHA; Sara Hoover, Cal-EPA OEHHA; Dr. Michael Wilson, UC Berkeley; Susan Ripple, Dow Chemical; Jackie and Chris (wrap-up).</p> <p><b>Wed PM – Joel: Accident Investigation</b>  David Dinell – job site fatalities investigations  OSHA person – still looking  Chief of Police City of San Diego</p>	<p><u>Moderators</u>: If not already completed, firm up all speakers/topic and send details to Jackie.</p>
<p>Conference Location</p>	<p>Danielle from the Westgate toured the Board around the proposed venues for the conference. Since the proposed luncheon locations for Monday, Dec 8<sup>th</sup> were not practical, Howard asked if the Versailles Room could be set-up in round tables on Monday so the luncheon take place there. She said the luncheon set-up buffet-style in the Foyer is an option.</p> <p>Danielle showed us a possible room for the vendors which was large and workable, but it</p>	<p><u>Howard</u> will receive the revised proposed set-up and room information from Danielle. He will review the menu and other food options for the luncheon and breaks.</p> <p><u>Howard</u> will check with Danielle to see if the</p>

	was located quite a distance from the Normandy Room where the presentations will be given.	Normandy Room is available for the vendors.
Treasurers' Report	<p>Joel issued the Treasurers' report to the Board. The latest report covers through the end of August. Joel pointed out that the Northern CA is the only local section that has paid its 2008 assessment.</p> <p>Jaime mentioned that the Southern CA local section board is discussing what to do about 2008 CIHC dues and contributions to other organizations.</p>	<p><u>Joel</u> will send out Assessment Letters to the other local section Presidents this month. He will contact Dagmar for a copy of last year's letter.</p>
Review of Action Items	<p>Moderators will obtain contact information for all their speakers one week before the conference.</p> <p>Updated By-laws to reflect operation procedure changes.</p> <p>Additional Conference Committee conference call to be scheduled.</p> <p>Jaime will locate the CAL-OSHA IH support letter draft and circulate it to the Board Members for consideration and submission.</p>	<p><u>Moderators</u>: please obtain cell phone numbers for your speakers by December 1.</p> <p><u>Denise</u> received a Word version of the by-laws and will make the changes for consideration for the next meeting.</p> <p><u>Jaime</u> will plan an additional conference call for the Conference Committee before the October 24<sup>th</sup> conference call meeting.</p> <p><u>Jaime</u> will work on this task.</p>
Next Meeting	<b>October 24</b> conference call is planned to discuss the Conference planning and strategic plan.	<u>Jaime</u> will send out agenda with call-in information.
Adjournment	The meeting was adjourned at 4:17 PM.	