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EQC PROCEDURES AND IMPLEMENTATION GROUP  
MEETING - AUGUST 2, 1984

Subject meeting attendance did not include R. C. Forney and had P. A. Hopkins substituting for W. E. Tatum. Main subject was the presentation of our program on C-8 as shown in the agenda. Public Affairs also presented a video tape "Anatomy of a Cancer Scare".

#### C-8

The C-8 presentation by Walt Raines utilized charts as attached. In summary the program of:

- Eliminating effluent discharge to the Ohio River by substituting TBSA for C-8 by mid-1985,
- Continuing technical work aimed at reducing investment and operating costs required to abate air emissions from the fine powder dryers, targeting on elimination of C-8 in the vent to the atmosphere, and
- Preparing a media package to deal with the issue if it receives public attention

... was generally accepted as reasonable and responsive to the "risk". There was virtually no discussion of the time line though our commitment to diligence was clear. While not discussed in detail, suggestion was made and supported that consideration be given to a public disclosure of the C-8 emissions. Need to consider, in detail, the advantages and disadvantages was recognized and decision is ours. No response to EQC was suggested. Regardless of decision on a possible proactive interface on public disclosure, Public Affairs maintained their posture that our position is defensible. Legal similarly held the same posture for their areas of responsibility.

Consideration of the international scene left the understanding that Dordrecht will continue to mirror the Washington Works and the issue is manageable in Holland. However, P. A. Hopkins expressed a continuing uncertainty over the Shimizu operation and will likely review further those site-specific concerns separately through his organization.

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"Anatomy of a Cancer Scare" (20 minutes)

Dealt with a media self-examination of the ethylene dibromide (EDB) notoriety and the media contribution which in some cases prompted precipitous action on the part of state regulatory agencies. Interestingly, as presented, the Ruckelshaus EPA finally was able to bring a level of regulation far superior to that being imposed in some states. In the course of analyzing the "cancer scare", interviews with Dr. Ames are included which highlight the problems of attempting to translate from animal tests to risk in man.

The tape appears to be most appropriate for use in the public arena and would be appropriate for Government Affairs use. Plant managers and staff could selectively use the tape with opinion leader groups (Rotary, etc.). Public Affairs will pursue these suggested options.

Status ReportsPCB Compliance

A revised draft compliance program (copy attached) was distributed for final comment. It proposes site-oriented and controlled programs for compliance. Further review is under way and comments are being prepared. Corporate compliance aids are identified for development.

Superfund - Legal

House bill likely before adjournment - generate \$1.9 billion in 5 years based on higher crude oil and feedstock tax. Waste end tax dropped. Increase to Du Pont equivalent to \$40M-\$45M. Senate lagging but expected to mirror the House version.

B. W. Karrh

In addition to contributions to programs already discussed, \$172M is being proposed for add-ons to the package going to the Committee on Contributions on August 22. Details are being provided separately. Of these, three are one-time, two ongoing, and one can be viewed in either category.

If there are questions, I will be happy to discuss at your convenience.

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Attachments

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AGENDA  
EQC PROCEDURES & IMPLEMENTATION GROUP  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 2 - 8:30 A.M. - D-9066

- Status - Ammonium Perfluoro-octanoate (C-8)  
Reduction Program . . . . . J. W. Raines
- Status Reports

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