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**MIOSHA General Industry Safety Standard  
GI Part 74 Fire Fighting  
Advisory Committee Meeting**

**October 19, 2010, 9:30 A.M.  
State Secondary Complex, 7150 Harris Drive, Lansing, Michigan, 48909  
General Office Building, Conference Room G**

**TENTATIVE MEETING MINUTES**

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Rodney Bovensiep..... City of Troy Fire Dept.  
Eva Hatt..... Retired MIOSHA General Industry Safety & Health Manager  
Patrick DuVall ..... Plainfield Fire Dept.  
Keith Crawford..... City of Flint Fire Dept.  
Brian Blomstrom ..... Greenville Dept. of Public Safety  
Frederick Cowper ..... Meridian Twp. Fire Dept.  
James Rose..... Michigan State Firemen’s Assoc.  
Joseph Grutza ..... MI DELEG Bureau of Fire Services

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Michael Brink ..... City of Madison Heights Fire Dept.  
Daniel Dawe ..... West Bloomfield Fire Dept.  
Richard Mahaney..... Mahaney Loss Prevention Services

**MIOSHA STAFF PRESENT:**

Dan Dykstra ..... Standards Section  
Christine Hundt ..... Standards Section  
Debbie Merryfield..... Standards Section  
Lee J. Kueppers..... Consultation, Education, and Training Division  
Robin Spaulding ..... General Industry Safety & Health Division

**VISITORS:**

Richard Clark ..... City of Grand Rapids Fire Dept.

**Agenda Item #1. Welcome and**

The October 19, 2010 GI Part 74 Fire Fighting advisory committee meeting was called to order by Standards Program Manager Dan Dykstra. Dan welcomed everyone.

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**Agenda Item #2 Introductions**

All committee members introduced themselves.

**Agenda Item #3. Advisory Committee Policies**

Debbie Merryfield reviewed the following:

- a. Guidelines for Advisory Committee Function
- b. Code of Conduct
- c. Conflict of Interest Policy
- d. Travel Expense Vouchers
- e. Rule Promulgation Process

Debbie explained that the advisory committee members will elect co-chairpersons at the next meeting

**Agenda Item #4 Process for Amending Administrative Rules and Charge from Commission**

Dan Dykstra stated that the General Industry Safety Standards Commission (GISSC) was asked to review and update General Industry Safety Standard Part 74, Fire Fighting at the April 18, 2007 commission meeting. The committee reviewed an excerpt from the GISSC April 18, 2007 meeting minutes that included concerns brought to the commission by Chief Dave Peterson of the Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs and Mr. Paul Huffnagel of the Michigan Professional Fire Fighters Union. Representatives from the Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs and Michigan Professional Fire Fighters Union also submitted letters with specific concerns that should be reviewed and addressed by the advisory committee.

**Agenda Item #5 Review of letters submitted by the Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs and Michigan Professional Fire Fighters Union**

The advisory committee reviewed both letters. The committee discussed the economic impact of updating and adding new NFPA standard references. They agreed to invite representatives from the Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs and Michigan Professional Fire Fighters Union to the next meeting to clarify what specific concerns these groups have with the current standard.

Dan Dykstra suggested that after co-chairs are elected at the next meeting, the committee may want to create sub-groups to compare current and referenced versions of NFPA standards to determine if updating the NFPA references is necessary.

**Agenda Item #6 Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, December 15, 2010 beginning at 1 p.m.** and will be held at the **MIOSHA Management and Technical Services Division Laboratory, 7707 Rickle Street in Lansing.**

**Agenda Item #7 Public Comment**

Visitor Richard Clark had suggestions and comments throughout the meeting.

**Agenda Item #8 Adjournment**

With no further business before the advisory committee, the meeting was adjourned.