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MIOSHA GENERAL INDUSTRY SAFETY STANDARD  
PART 74 FIRE FIGHTING  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

January 20, 2012 – 9:00 a.m.  
State Secondary Complex, 7150 Harris Drive, Lansing, Michigan, 48909  
General Office Building, Conference Room G

**MEETING MINUTES**

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Richard Clark ..... Grand Rapids Fire Dept. & Michigan Professional Fire Fighters Union  
Daniel Dawe..... West Bloomfield Fire Dept. & Michigan Professional Fire Fighters Union  
Patrick DuVall ..... Plainfield Fire Dept.  
Joseph Grutza..... MI LARA Bureau of Fire Services  
Eva Hatt ..... Retired MIOSHA General Industry Safety & Health Manager  
David Peterson ..... Michigan Association of Fire Chiefs  
Richard Mahaney ..... Mahaney Loss Prevention Services  
James Rose..... Michigan State Firemen’s Association

**ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Brian Blomstrom..... Greenville Dept. of Public Safety  
Michael Brink ..... City of Madison Heights Fire Dept.  
Keith Crawford ..... City of Flint Fire Dept

**MIOSHA STAFF PRESENT:**

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

**Call to Order**

The January 20, 2012 GI Part 74 Fire Fighting advisory committee meeting was called to order by Co-Chair James Rose. A quorum of advisory committee members was present.

**Update from MIOSHA Standards Section Manager**

Mr. Daniel Dykstra, MIOSHA Standards Section Manager, informed the advisory committee that the Office of Regulatory Reinvention (ORR) has finished their review of all MIOSHA rules and is proposing many changes, although MIOSHA does not know what the changes are yet. Mr. Dykstra urged the Part 74 committee to move forward as quickly as possible so that the proposed changes to Part 74 do not get stuck behind the thousands of changes proposed by the ORR

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project. Mr. Dykstra reminded the committee that all current and pending rule promulgation activities are being scrutinized closely for impact on employers, employees and businesses. Keep in mind that the current administration is requesting additional justification and information regarding potential impact and/or costs for all amendments, including appendices.

#### **Review and Approval of December 14, 2011 Minutes**

A motion was made by Mr. Richard Mahaney and seconded by Mr. Richard Clark to accept the minutes as amended. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **Draft Appendix on Officer Training Requirements**

The committee decided to eliminate many job duties under the "Support" header column, leaving Hazardous Material Operations as the only support job duty in the appendix.

The committee discussed the goal of the appendix. Members debated if the document was providing minimum training requirements or minimum training recommendations. A motion was made by Mr. Patrick DuVall and seconded by Mr. Clark to keep the appendix as minimum training recommendations. Mr. Rose believes that the chiefs are looking for minimum training requirements, not recommendations. Mr. Dave Peterson agreed with Mr. Rose. **MOTION CARRIED.** (It was noted that Mr. Dave Peterson expressed opposition to this motion.)

Ms. Debbie Merryfield reminded the group that any proposed changes, including the appendix, would need to be presented to the General Industry Safety Standards Commission (GISSC) before being submitted to ORR. A motion was made by Mr. Clark and seconded by Mr. Peterson to invite Commissioner A.J. Hale to the February Part 74 advisory committee meeting to provide guidance and input on the appendix. **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

#### **Continue review of Part 74**

This item was tabled until the February 23, 2012 advisory committee meeting.

#### **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

#### **Adjournment**

The next GI Part 74 advisory committee meeting is Thursday, February 23, 2012 from 9:00am to 12:00pm at the MIOSHA Management and Technical Services Division Laboratory, 7707 Rickle Street, Lansing.

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