MINUTES TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

October 18th, 2010 Vancouver, BC

Dave Alexander	Craig Frohlich	Jim Mogan
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STAFF:

Henry Walthert Michael Srogosz-Bolduc

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Mr. Nigel Banks (Chairperson)

Mr. Dave Alexander

Mr. Brian Delbrueck

Mr. Tom Mitchell

Mr. Jim Mogan

Dr. Paul Morris

Mr. Craig Wilson

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman N. Banks called the meeting to order.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The committee Chairman asked for a review of the meeting agenda.

Motion by C. Frohlich to adopt the agenda.

Seconded by D. Goodine.

CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Committee Chair N.Banks called for a review of the minutes for the previous meeting.

Motion by C. Frohlich to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting held April 26th, 2010. Seconded by G. Sali.

CARRIED

4. WPC DECKING STUDY

Henry Walthert presented an update to the membership on WPC's decking study, which began in 1991, and the last report being published in 2006.

Currently, FPInnovations maintains 2 different locations for the WPC decking study, an Eastern and Western Canadian site. The following is to be applied to each site;

Western: Unfortunately, the Western location will no longer be available and thus, a final assessment of the deck in study will be done in 2011 before the dismantling of the site.

Eastern: The Eastern location will be kept and maintained for further data collection as long as it does not incur more costs from the membership. An assessment will be conducted in 2011.

Motion by C. Frohlich to complete the assessment of the decking study in 2011 with the intent to close the western site and to maintain the eastern site until a future date. Seconded by T. Fitzgerald.

CARRIED

ACTION: Contract FP Innovations to conduct the assessment in 2011.

5. RESEARCH PROPOSALS

Two research proposals were submitted to WPC for consideration. They were:

Advisory Committee of the Environmental Performance of Treated Wood Research Cooperative housed with Oregon State University – Jeff Morrell

Henry Walthert presented an overview of the research project, and noted that the U.S wood preservers associations, including the chemical suppliers, are supporting this research project. No decision was made on this project. WPC will be asking Jeff Morrell to provide more information before deciding on a course of action.

Adsorbtion Properties of Cr(OH) – University of Guelph – Dr.Les Evans

An overview of the proposal, included in the meeting agenda, was presented to WPC members. The University of Guelph, under the guidance of Al Mattes, PhD candidate, are looking to investigate the adsorbtion properties of Cr(OH)₃ to determine if it does take place, and should it happen, to measure the magnitude of the adsorbtion.

The research proposals will be provided to Dr. Paul Cooper and Dr. J.Ruddick for their review and comments, as well as the CCA suppliers in Canada.

ACTION: Circulate study proposals for review and comment.

6. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS

There were no comments and/or questions

7. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by C. Wilson to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by D. Goodine. CARRIED