MINUTES TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

October 15th, 2007 Quebec City, Quebec

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COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Mr. Nigel Banks (Chairperson)

Mr. Friedl Brudermann

Mr. Brian Delbrueck

Mr. Tom Mitchell

Mr. Jim Mogan

Dr. Paul Morris

Mr. Mike Richards

Mr. Craig Wilson

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman N. Banks called the meeting to order.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Amended agenda by adding 6. Industry Statistical Survey and 7. Corrosion and Fasteners.

Motion by C. Wilson and seconded by M. Richards to adopt the amended agenda. CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion by C. Frohlich and seconded by M. Richards to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting held March 29th 2006. CARRIED

4. STABILIZATION ISSUES

Discussed the current stabilization/fixation issues and what was being done to increase current levels with the new generation preservatives.

Currently no standard exists in AWPA or CSA. There is also no standardized method of measuring stabilization. The issue could be addressed through best management practices.

Motion by L. Prendiville to create a WPC taskforce to work on stabilization issues and seconded by P. Morris.

CARRIED

Committee volunteers include: C. Wilson (Chairman), K. Archer, J. Mogan, R. Knecthel, R. Stirling, F. Brudermann, D. Alexander, N. Banks. Dr. P. Cooper will also be asked about his interest in participating.

5. WORKER SAFETY

Compliance with the TRDs requires plants to develop an in-plant monitoring program. The guidance document is lacking in this area therefore the SOP Manufacturers/Treaters Steering Committee has asked the regulatory authorities to develop and approach. R. Martin, Health Canada has been assigned the task of coordination between HC, PMRA and Environment Canada.

6. INDUSTRY STATISTICAL SURVEY

The WPC Board of Directors has agreed to include the association in the next industry statistical survey of the wood preserving industry. The first survey was conducted in 2005 by Louisiana State University with the cooperation of several U.S. industry associations. WPC members are asked to cooperate to assist in the accuracy of the survey to be conducted in early 2008.

7. CORROSION AND FASTENERS

The Canadian Wood Council held a meeting earlier in 2007 to address a request by BC Homeowner Protection Office about issues raised by BC builders regarding corrosion of fasteners and hardware. The BC HPO has suggested a research program to investigate.

The ACQ/CA suppliers have been part of the discussions and further recommendations have been forwarded to HPO.

8. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS

There were no comments or questions

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by C. Wilson and seconded by J. Mogan to adjourn the meeting. CARRIED