MINUTES ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE

March 25th 2003 Vancouver, British Colombia

ATTENDANCE:

Ben Lucas	Jim Mogan	Mike Richards
Brian Delbrueck	Jonna Stein	Paul Dandy
Brian McManus	Ken Davies	Paul Morris
Cliff Baker	Lawrence Prendiville	Peter Mason
Craig Frohlich	Mary-Anne Dalkowski	Richard Knechtel
Duane Palmer	Marcia Straatsma-Rennie	Tim Seaman
Friedl Brudermann	Maureen Prendiville	Tom Fitzgerald
Ian Jones	Michael Fink	Tom Moryto
Jacques Mackay	Michael Hollick	

STAFF:

Henry Walthert Melissa Duench

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair J. Stein called the meeting to order at 2:45.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by F. Brudermann and seconded by M. Hollick to adopt the agenda as presented. CARRIED

3. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion by F. Brudermann and seconded by M. Hollick to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting October 21^{st} 2002 as presented. CARRIED

4. MEDIA ISSUES/CITW STRATEGY

H. Walthert reported that the recent media has been relatively quiet, however, there is still a strong need for environmental projects and we should not become complaisant. NOTED

5. ENVIRONMENT CANADA STRATEGIC OPTION PROCESS

H. Walthert summarized that the reports are now in and being reviewed. There will be new TRDs for CA and ACQ. We are aiming for certification by the end of 2005. The consumer-labeling program will continue and will be endorsed by CITW.

After some discussion it was agreed that it would be prudent to assume that the labeling of the new products would be maintained as they are pesticides and that it could protect from litigations.

NOTED

Friedl gave the following updates in regards to the status of TRDs:

- 65 plants submitted Implementation Plans (IPs) in 2001. The one plant that has not submitted an IP has fallen under CEPA regulation.
- 2 plants have since shut down.
- 58 plants submitted 2002 Annual Reports. 5 failed to do so at this time.
- 45 plant reports have been reviewed so far.
- As per IPs 7 replacement plants were to be built.

Motion by J. Stein to review the biological implications of workplace exposure and to look at recommended fixation/stabilization processes before the SOP does. Seconded by C. Wilson.

Volunteers include:

C. Wilson

N. Banks

J. Stein.

6. TREE CANADA FOUNDATION

H. Walthert noted that CITW is contributing to this foundation. NOTED

7. HARRISON REPORT

H. Walthert presented a draft report by: John Harrison, Toxicologist, entitled: "CCA Pressure Treated Wood and Playground Structures: An overview of the Scientific Information on Health Risks." The report is commissioned by CITW and members are invited to review the document and provide any comments by April 17, 2003. NOTED

8. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by M. Hollick and seconded by F. Brudermann to adjourn the meeting. CARRIED