



18 May 2009, 10h00 - 11h00

Chair: J. Levison (Vale Inco)

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APOLOGIES

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MINUTES

1. Introduction

- 1.1 Z. Hugonin introduced the participants and mentioned those who **apologised for not being able to participate.**
- 1.2 J. Levison has reminded participants of the **Confidentiality and European Competition Law provisions.**
- 1.3 The **Agenda** proposed for the conference call was **approved.**
- 1.4 The **Minutes of the last face-to-face meeting** held on 22 April 2009 in Brussel were reviewed and **approved.**
- 1.5 J. Levison indicated that 18 May 2009 is his last date to be involved with the PM Refiners TF due to his retirement. A new chairman shall be determined with no delay¹.

¹ **Post-meeting note:** Mr. Edwin Broekaert (Umicore) become the Chairman of the Task Force as from 12 June 2009 and as approved by Members of the Task Force.



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2. Progress on Substance Sameness in the Pre-SIEFs

- 2.1 Z. Hugonin reported on the **latest data collection**. All involved Members have contributed required data. Request was sent on 23 April 2009 to 21 Companies, from which 18 responded. Some of the submissions were new; some were the updates of the data submitted by last face-to-face meeting. All of the information received were anonymised and forwarded to J. Levison for further processing.
 - 2.2 J. Levison has explained the **background and the procedure for data analysis**. All information are summarised in the document titled "*Refinables - data analyses rationale 090521*" by J. Levison.
 - 2.3 **Mr Canoo's engagement in data analysis** is highly appreciated and his effort is recognized by involved Members. Ch. Canoo contributes a fresh view on the data analysis and high level of PM refining knowledge.
 - 2.3.1 Z. Hugonin briefly reported on the **meeting with E. Broekaert and Ch. Canoo on 28 April 2009 at IZA's offices**. The outcomes of this meeting were circulated to the group prior to this conference call, together with the one-pager describing objectives and conditions of Mr. Canoo's mission (Documents titled - "*Outcome of the meeting 090428*" and "*Canoo - PMC refinables mission description*").
 - 2.3.2 Ch. Canoo acknowledged the amount and quality of J. Levison's work. There are still some refinables which were not fit into four consolidated spreadsheets. For example slags. Materials covered under this name should not be difficult to group and further grouping can result in only two EINECS numbers. While grouping the remaining refinables, Ch. Canoo will try to use rather generic approach: high level process together with the classification with the process (e.g. batch process, closed process, etc.), exposure. Most of PMC's materials are going to be CMRs. Even though transport is not covered by REACH it is better to have MSDS available together with the transport classification. He also stressed the importance of documenting strictly controlled conditions (SCC) since most of the materials are transported isolated intermediates.
3. **J. Levison taled to Lead Consortium (A. Bush) prior to this teleconference**. The discussion was initiated since Vale Inco declares a material with high lead content and so do other companies in PM Consortium, e.g. Silver crust. The idea was to foresee, whether those materials are going to be covered by lead Consortium. The consistency of operations was discussed as well as common problems/challenges, e.g. big concentration ranges, how to proceed with sampling. A. Bush was shown what kinds of materials are dealt with within PMC. In return, an ID card was provided by Lead Consortium to J. Levison and it shall be circulated to the Members of the TF. Considering the materials in question and difficulties those are causing, the impact should maybe be given on the method, origin, speciation and composition. As the situation stands now, there will be no possibility for "migration" of the materials towards Lead Consortium. It was agreed, Lead Consortium to follow any discussion on "changing the SIEFs" PMC may have with ECHA. Meanwhile, Lead Consortium is open to discuss common difficulties regarding the materials.



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4. Next steps

4.1 Key actions:

	Action	Status ²
1.	The leader of the group shall be identified.	Completed 12 June 2009
2.	Complete Member submissions, together with the key to identify the companies and the key contacts at the companies, shall be sent to Ch. Canoo.	Completed 25 May 2009
3.	Errors which occur in the consolidate spreadsheets shall be corrected as indicated by Members to Secretariat.	Completed 25 May 2009
4.	Ch. Canoo's findings shall be sent to Members prior to next teleconference.	
5.	Mr Canoo is to try merging remaining refinables into existing and/or additional categories (consolidated spreadsheets).	
6.	Samples to be tested (if necessary) shall be identified.	

4.2 Developing further plan with timeline for completing the exercise

- Definite confirmation of CMRs and high tonnage refinables for 2010.
- Final sameness confirmation with any characterisation testing (if required).
- Allocation of refinables to other consortia where for example base metal content is significant.
- Key issue - within 2 months, identify all transported isolated intermediates not covered by other Consortium where 2010 deadline applies. **Efforts shall be focused via Ch. Canoo and TF to continue high cadence of activity.**

4.3 Next teleconference was decided to take place on 12 June 2009 at 10.00 (CEST)³.

5. Meeting was closed by J. Levison.

ANNEXES

- 1 - Refinables - data analyses rationale 090521
- 2 - Outcome of the meeting 090428
- 3 - Canoo - PMC refinables mission description

² Post-meeting note: Status as to 16 June 2009.

³ Post-meeting note: Teleconference was postponed to 23 June 2009, 10.00 a.m. (CEST).