

Date: December 31, 2001

To: The Record
Health Facilities Advisory Committee (HFAC)

From: Recording Secretary, HFAC

Subject: October 3, 2001, HFAC Conference Call Minutes **(Final)**

Members, Alternates & Visitors

Present: CAPT José F. Cuzme, PE, Chairman, IHS/OPH/DFEE
CAPT Douglas C. Ott, PE, Vice Chairman, IHS/Alaska Area/OEHE
Ms Diane Stewart, AIA, Member, IHS/DFEE/ESD
CAPT Gary Mc Farland, PE, Member, IHS/Billings Area, OEHE
Mr. Kenneth R. Harper, PE, Member, IHS/DFEE/ESS
CAPT Paul Fardig, PE, Member, IHS/OPH/DFEE
LCDR Darrell LaRoche, PE, Member, IHS/Albuquerque Area, OEHE
CAPT Mike Verscheldon, PE, Alternate, HIS/DFEE/ESD
Mr. Steven Christensen, PE, Alternate, IHS, DFEE/ESS
Mr. Ray Cooke, PE, Alternate, IHS/DFEE/OEHE
CDR Bruce Etchison, Visitor, IHS, OPH,
Mr. Jim Crawford, PE, Visitor, IHS, DFEE, ESS

Members

Absent: CAPT Kerry M. Gragg, PE, Member, IHS/California Area/OEHE
LCDR Merritt Lake, RS, Member, IHS/OPH/EHS

Introduction:

The conference call was conducted on October 3, 2001 beginning at 12:00 noon Eastern Time (ET). There were seven members, three alternates, and two visitors present. The minutes for the previous meeting were not available for approval.

Old Business:

(1) Indoor Air Quality

LCDR Lake could not attend the meeting. However, just prior to the conference call, CAPT Cuzme distributed an e-mail he had received from LCDR Lake on October 2, 2001 containing some additional information on passive radon system costs and policies of other agencies. It was suggested that LCDR Lake should develop an IHS policy on the use of passive radon systems. Further discussion on this item was postponed.

(2) Lessons Learned

Few lessons learned are being submitted by Area Offices. CAPT McFarland will send an e-mail encouraging individuals to access the web page and submit lessons learned.

(3) HFAC Web Page

No changes from the previous conference call. Programming changes are still required. CAPT Cuzme will follow-up on the requested program changes.

(4) Metric

CAPT Fardig reported no Metric Council meeting had occurred since our last conference call. The issues raised on the last will be brought to the Council at the next opportunity.

(5) Lead-Based Paint Policy

CAPT Cuzme reported the draft policy was distributed, but no comments were received from the facility managers. Many of the same points made on the July conference call were again discussed. Mr. Harper made a motion to adopt the new draft policy by updating the IHS Technical Handbook Guidance with the new information contained in the new draft policy statement keeping the information as an IHS Technical Handbook Chapter. CAPT McFarland seconded the motion. After some discussion, the motion was tabled. Another attempt will be made to obtain comments from the affected facility managers on the draft policy.

New Business:

Mr. Crawford provided a summary of the changes in the new 2002 Electrical Code. See the attached summary.

Other Issues:

(1) Alternates for new members

Alternate representatives still need to be designated for CAPT Gragg and CAPT Fardig.

The next HFAC conference call was tentatively set for January 9, 2002 at 12 noon Eastern Time (ET). The meeting was adjourned 1:00 p.m. ET.