EPC Safety Subcommittee Minutes

Thursday, Feb 11, 2021 4:00 PM held via MS TEAMS Virtual Meeting

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Safety Moment:

Jake shared details of an electric arc that injured technicians. Emphasized wearing PPE as designed.

Key Dates

Committee /Subcommittee meetings -

Mid-Nov TBD - placeholder to be sent for abstract submittal update

Dec 10 - virtual meeting

Feb 11 – virtual meeting

Next Meeting will be after the conference...

Conference Deadlines

- Condensed Timeline
- September 8 Sessions & Session Chairs due in Confex
- September 11- Call of Abstracts opens
- November 20- Call for Abstracts closes
- December 13 Accept or Reject
- January 15 Draft Schedule Available
- January 18 Technical Program Live
- 2nd Week of March Draft Presentations Due
- Audio Recording due date March 22nd
- Last Week of March Draft Papers Due

Date of Conference

April 18-22 Hotel Anatole, Dallas VIRTUAL

Papers for 2021 Conference – See Attachment



- Instructions on how to prepare recordings should be coming soon via email (if not already received)
- Opening remarks for the chat box will need to be prepared

Reviewers for EPC Safety Session Papers

- (CP Chem) Impact of Sudden Feed Olefin Content on Furnaces Jeff Elam
- (LYB) Fitness for Service after Demethanizer ARBF Near Miss Greg Jones
- (Braskem) Protection Against Backflow in Existing Furnaces AJ Armer
- (Suez) Butadiene Popcorn Polymer Formation David Gent
- (XOM) Ethylene Decomposition in Small Bore Piping Jake Berret
- (Eastman) Furnace Reverse Steam Flow Toby Darbonne

Future Topic Discussion

- Key Elements of a Low Temperature Embrittlement Threat Management Program
 - Charter for subcommittee from 2016 will be refreshed by Selma Kwok and sent out to safety committee for review
 - Committee should review content and bring comments to the next committee meeting, which should take place in June/July 2021
 - Topics for cold safety program could include program awareness, cold flare design/issues, piping ARBF assessments
- No new updates from TPC or CSB since last meeting with regards to TPC fire.

NOx Subcommittee (not discussed during Feb 11th meeting)

• NOx Subcommittee is considering updating the NOx tutorial on the EPC website for 2021.

Current Chairs

The Safety Subcommittee appointed the following people to fill the roles through the 2021 conference.

Norman Wilhelm (LyondellBasell) - Committee Chair

AJ Armer (Chevron Phillips) - Committee Co-Chair

Micheal Smith (ExxonMobil) – Paper Session Chair

Daryl Bitting (Eastman) - Paper Session Co-Chair