

EPC Safety Subcommittee Minutes

Thursday, August 12, 2021 4:00 PM held via MS TEAMS Virtual Meeting

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Safety Moment

COVID-19 Delta Variant

Vehicle Safety

Subcommittee Elections

Selma has been added as the Committee Co-Chair

AJ Armer (Chevron Phillips) – Committee Chair

Selma Kwok (ExxonMobil) - Committee Co-Chair

Daryl Bitting (Eastman) – Paper Session Chair

Jeff Elam (Ineos) – Paper Session Co-Chair

Planning/topic buckets for 2022 conference

Review below table for updates on potential paper topics

General Topic	Description	Comments	Responsible Person	Likelihood of Paper for Session
Cold	Low Temperature Embrittlement Sub-Committee	Piping and temporary setups focus	Selma Kwok, Siva Nayarajan	High
Cold	Mercury in Cold Boxes	Limited interest	Exxon	Low
Cold	Acetylene precipitation in Cold Box	Limited interest	?	Low
Cold	Nox Subcommittee	2023	2023	N/A
Cold	Safety issues from winter freeze - Loss of Nitrogen, winterization	Mining in progress	LBI, Shell, CPCChem	Medium
Hot	Burner Management - Furnace Safety	Backburner	?	Low
Hot	Furnace flooding with examples	Developing	Exxon	Medium
Hot	Detonations at Ground Flare	Backburner	NOVA, Sasol, ?	Low
Hot	PQE Inlet Cone Failure	Still working - May not back 2022 session	NOVA	Low
Hot	Lessons Learned from Furnace Switching	Abstract received?	SABIC	Low
Hot	Combustion safety tutorial - BMS, Flares, furnace flooding	Could reach out to the ethylene EPCs for interest	CPC	Medium
Misc	Salt Dome Storage Regen System - Change of Heating Medium	Different category	Eastman	N/A
Misc	Exothermic Runaway in Reactor Feed Heater	LBI to follow-up	Sasol, LBI	Low
Misc	TPC Port Neches Incident - CSB	Investigation conclude summer 2021? No update	Jake Barret	Low
Misc	Reactions in Dryers during Regeneration	?	Shell, Dow, NOVA?	Low
Misc	Light Ends Fouling	?	Sasol	Low
Misc	Deadlegs	Interest from team, tie with winterization?	?	Low
Misc	Low cycle fatigue failure	Could develop	Exxon	Medium
Misc	Hot Tap Safety	?	?	Low
Misc	Valve education/issues	?	?	Low
Misc	Pyrophoric polymers - trays vs. packing - chemical cleaning	?	?	Low
Misc	Controllers in Manual	PSM implications?	Daryl	Low

Only about 5 papers look to have a pretty good chance for materializing and we would like to target 8-9 to be able to field 6 papers at the time of the conference

Action - Subcommittee members to work with their organizations to “mine” for abstracts for topics centered on process safety, if possible, on one of the topic above; however, any good topics will definitely be considered.

Key Dates

Committee /Subcommittee meetings –

~~12-Aug~~

14-Oct

9-Dec

10-Feb

Date of Conference

April 10-14 San Antonio