

Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board

Office of General Counsel

Memorandum

To: Board Members
From: Christopher Warner
Cc: Leadership Team Rachael Gunaratnam Christina Morgan
Subject: Board Action Report – Notation Item 918
Date: April 12, 2012

On April 10, 2012, the Board approved Notation Item 918, thereby designating Recommendations 2007-03-I-MA-R1 and R2, to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (from the CAI/Arnel investigation), with the status of Closed – Exceeds Recommended Action (R1) and Open – Acceptable Response (R2). Comments submitted by Member Griffon with his vote on this item are attached to this Board Action Report.

Voting Summary – Notation Item 918

Disposition: APPROVED

Disposition date: April 10, 2012

	Approve	Disapprove	Calendar	Not Participating	Date
R. Moure-Eraso	X				3/27/2012
J. Bresland	X				4/4/2012
M. Griffon	X				4/10/2012

Notation Item 918

Comment regarding Recommendation 2007-03-1-MA-R2

I support the recommendation to change the status of recommendation 2007-03-1-MA-R2 to "Open – Acceptable Response"; however, I would request that in our final analysis of the response to this recommendation we consider changing our original recommendation to be more consistent with the actual approach being proposed assuming that we believe the approach would achieve the same goal as the original recommendation. It may also be useful to include some specific expectations that we would have with regard to the approach of having the state train the local fire departments to review permits and conduct inspections.

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Mark A. Griffon

U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board



MEMORANDUM

March 27, 2012

To: Board Members

From: Rafael Moure-Eraso

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Cc: Daniel Horowitz Manuel Gomez Rachael Gunaratnam Christina Morgan

Subject: Notation Items 917 – 923

Attached for your review and vote are Notation Items 917 through 923. These items provide for the approval of status changes to several recommendations, based upon evaluations of recipient responses prepared by the Office of Recommendations. These response evaluations and proposed status changes have been reviewed and approved by the Director of Recommendations.

You may direct any questions about these items to the Office of Recommendations staff members named in the evaluation reports, which are attached to each item. Additional background information and documentation for each of the recommendations covered by these notation items is posted on the G Drive at: G:\Recommendations\Recommendations for Board Vote\2012-03-13. For your convenience, you will also receive an e-mail with the links to the background information and documentation. Please note that your computer must be connected to the CSB network either at the office or via VPN in order to access these files.

Please return your completed vote sheets to Chris Kirkpatrick no later than the close of business on April 10, 2012. Thank you for your attention to these items.

U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board

Hon. Rafael Moure-Eraso Chairperson

Hon. John S. Bresland Board Member

Hon. Mark Griffon Board Member



CHEMICAL SAFETY AND HAZARD INVESTIGATION BOARD MEMBER VOTING RECORD

Notation No.: 918 Voting Period: March 27 – April 10, 2012

Subject: <u>Status Change</u> – Recommendations to Commonwealth of Massachusetts (2007-03-I-MA-R1 & R2) from the CAI/Arnel Investigation (2007-03-I-MA)

Whereas,

- 1. The Board is authorized by 42 U.S.C. § 7412(r)(6)(C)(i) to "investigate . . . and report to the public in writing the facts, conditions, and circumstances and the cause or probable cause of any accidental release resulting in a fatality, serious injury or substantial property damages;"
- 2. The Board is further authorized by 42 U.S. C. § 7412(r)(6)(C)(ii) to "issue periodic reports to the Congress, Federal, State and local agencies, including the Environmental Protection Agency and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, concerned with the safety of chemical production, processing, handling and storage, and other interested persons recommending measures to reduce the likelihood or the consequences of accidental releases and proposing corrective steps to make chemical production, processing, handling and storage as safe and free from risk of injury as is possible;"
- 3. The Board has issued such recommendations to the **Commonwealth of Massachusetts** based upon the findings of the Board's CAI/Arnel investigation;
- 4. Consistent with Order 022, the Board is to vote on changes to the status of recommendations;
- 5. The staff of the Office of Recommendations proposes that the status of the above named recommendations should be changed, as described in the attached Recommendation Response Evaluation.

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Therefore, pursuant to its authority, the Board hereby votes to designate **Recommendation 2007-03-I-MA-R1** with the status of **Closed – Exceeds Recommended Action**; and

Recommendation 2007-03-I-MA-R2 with the status of Open – Acceptable Response.

I APPROVE this notation item AS PRESENTED.

_____ I CALENDAR this notation item for discussion at a Board meeting. ______ Some of my concerns are discussed below or on the attached memorandum.

I DISAPPROVE this notation item. *A dissent is attached. I will not file a dissent.*

_____ I am **NOT PARTICIPATING.**

Date:

Member: