

SUPERIOR REFINERY

Community Advisory Panel

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**Murphy Oil USA, Inc.
Superior Refinery Community Advisory Panel
Thursday, January 12, 2006
5:30 p.m.**

Members: Robert Browne, Bobbi Engstrom Germond, Doug Finn, Jim Kehoe, Keith Kesler, Lori Keute, Carol Lindberg, Tad Matheson, MariBeth Olsen, Fariba Pendleton, Tom Strewler, Diane Thompson

Company Representatives: Dave Beattie, Liz Lundmark, Corey Meade

Facilitator: John McPherson, Ann Green Communications, Inc.

The January 2006 meeting of the Murphy Oil Superior Refinery CAP was called to order at 5:30 p.m. CDT by Facilitator John McPherson. The meeting was held at the Bong Heritage Center in Superior. Minutes of the prior meeting were reviewed and approved with the following amendment: *Robert Browne was present at the November meeting.*

Refinery/Company Report

Dave Podratz was attending a meeting in Houston and unable to attend the CAP meeting. Liz Lundmark presented the report for the Superior Refinery for the months of November and December, including operational highlights, and environmental and safety performance reports. *A copy of the complete report is included with these minutes.*

Environmental highlights:

There was one spill in November; 100 gallons of #6 fuel oil from a line break.

There were three air events in November and one in December. The events are detailed on the report. There were a total of 40 air events for 2005.

Safety highlights:

2005 was the safest year at the refinery in 20 years.

Liz reported on a small sewer fire, caused by a welder working near a vessel being drained. An operator was given disciplinary action of a week off for disregarding safety procedures. There was discussion about safety procedures in place to prevent such occurrences.

Refinery Operations

Refinery operations are strong. Margins are high and product demand is also high, which generally is unusual for this time of year.

Community Discussion

Fariba Pendleton said she often notices the day-to-day safety sign counting safe days in front of the refinery. She suggests the refinery consider notifying the media when the safety record is good; often the media only finds out about safety when there is a problem. There was also discussion of company recognition of refinery safety performance, including special safety awards.

Bob Browne asked about the property purchase. He asked how the purchase of buffer property would affect the placement of refinery test wells. There are at least three wells in the area of the new property, which lies in the general flow of groundwater. However, the soil in the area has been tested as impermeable and groundwater does not migrate. John Robinson noted that there are no setbacks for test wells and that a change in the property line of the refinery would not affect the required placement of test wells.

Doug Finn said the Land Committee expects to open bids on February 21st, with approval for sale anticipated for March 16th.

A new grant provides for the purchase of two boats for area emergency services; one boat will be used by the fire department and another by law enforcement and harbor security.

Superior Days are coming up February 28th. Fariba Pendleton thanked the Superior Refinery for their participation and support.

New Business

Katrina Aftermath

A Murphy News special issue was distributed entitled "Weathering the Wrath of the Storm". The issues focused on the impact of Hurricane Katrina on Murphy company headquarters in New Orleans, Mereaux refinery, El Dorado facilities and the company as a whole. Copies are available upon request for those who were unable to attend the meeting.

John McPherson showed a presentation put together by a firefighter from the Ohio mutual aid task force that assisted emergency workers in St. Bernard Parish, Louisiana in the weeks following Hurricane Katrina. A copy of this presentation is available on request.

Planning 2006

CAP members discussed meeting topics and agenda items for 2006. The following agenda topics were identified:

- Green Tier Legislation - February
- Great Lakes Initiative - March
- Rain Gardens/Barrels Tour - April
- Mini Grant Presentations - May
- Lake Superior Day Awareness- June
-No July Meeting-
- New Firehouse Tour - August
- Alternative Energy (Open Meeting?) September

October and November topics to be selected from topics below or as topics arise through the year.

Additional topics identified:

- New refinery regulations/requirements
- National refining Capacity and overall energy infrastructure
- Eco development
- Invasive species in Lake Superior
- Media emergency response needs
- Mutual aid in the Superior area (companies and communities)

In addition to identified topics, the CAP committee on the Newton Creek adoption/cleanup will meet prior to the March CAP meeting and report to the CAP.

Following discussion the January meeting of the Murphy Oil Superior Refinery CAP adjourned.

Future Meeting Topics:

- February – Green Tier Legislation
- March – Great Lakes Initiative

Next Meeting: **Thursday, February 9 2006**
 WITC Conference Center
 5:00 Dinner
 5:30 Meeting