Owens Corning Composite Materials Canada LP Guelph Plant Public Liaison Committee (PLC) Meeting Summary

October 19, 2021
By Conference Call
(Held virtually for purposes of public safety during COVID-19)
Meeting: 5 p.m. – 5:50 p.m.

PLC Members in Attendance:

Bo Cheyne, Wellington Dufferin Guelph Public Health
Beverley Hale, Associate VP Research (Agri–Food Partnership), University of Guelph
Victoria Sheehan, Principal, Sacred Heart School
Peter Smith, Community Member
Diane Sudds, Guelph Water Works

Absent:

Alisha Arnold, Two Rivers Neighbourhood Group
Sam Cino, Two Rivers Neighbourhood Group
Steve Gazzola, President, Italian-Canadian Club
John Kinkead, Community Member
Lorraine Pagnan, Community Member
Shakiba Shayani, President and CEO, Guelph Chamber of Commerce
Craig Vallesi, Membership Engagement Representative, Guelph Chamber of Commerce
Shawn Zentner, Wellington Dufferin Guelph Public Health

Representatives from Owens Corning Guelph:

Brett Arnold, Quality Leader Megan Moore, Environment, Health and Safety Leader Kate Stanley, Community Liaison Representative Jeff Taylor, Plant Manager

Other Attendees:

Penny McInnis, Montrose Environmental Services

Facilitator

Kelly Henry

Meeting Handouts (distributed electronically prior to the call):

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Welcome and Introductions

Kelly Henry welcomed the group and reviewed the mission of the PLC. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, the PLC met by video conference call.

The group welcomed Victoria Sheehan, the new principal of Sacred Heart School. Her predecessor, Nicole DeFrancesco, took another position within the school district.

Old Business

• The group finalized the Summary of the July 20, 2021 PLC Meeting, which was subsequently posted to the website (ocquelph.com).

Proposed Meeting Schedule for 2022*

- Q1: Proposed Jan. 25, Bad Weather Feb. 1
- Q2: Proposed April 26, Bad Weather May 3
- Q3: Proposed July 19, Bad Weather July 26
- Q4: Proposed Oct. 18, Bad Weather Oct. 25
 - * Meetings may be held virtually, depending on Covid 19 protocols.

Plant Update

- Jeff Taylor reviewed:
 - Owens Corning Business
 - Supply Chain Customer demand is presently exceeding the amount of material that the plant can produce, putting some pressure on supply.
 - Good Practices Pointing to the company's high quality people, systems and manufacturing standards, the plant achieved a significant milestone.
 The facility has gone for more than a year without the need to give a refund as the result of a customer complaint.
- Megan Moore gave an update on:
 - Community
 - The Owens Corning Guelph plant, along with its employees, donated funds to Women in Crisis, an organization that provides safety, support, information and advocacy for women and children in Guelph and throughout Wellington County.
 - Health and Safety
 - The plant reported no new cases of Covid 19.
 - Employees participated in the Fall Walking Challenge, which involves regularly walking 8 km along the Eramosa River Trail and York Road.
 - The facility once again sponsored a flu shot clinic for its workforce.
 - One minor injury occurred in recent weeks, with an employee suffering a cut on the arm.
- Brett Arnold discussed:
 - Owens Corning Plant Operations
 - The company has initiated a project to rebuild the facility's furnace.
 - The existing furnace, which has experienced some wear, will be replaced in September, 2022. The design phase is presently underway.
 - The work is allowed within the site's current permits.

Air Monitoring Program

- Jeff Taylor discussed:
 - Confirmation of Compliance with Site Specific Standard
 - Actions undertaken between 2016 and early 2020 successfully brought the facility into compliance with the Ministry's Site-Specific Standard for hexavalent chromium set in 2016.
 - As a final step, the company worked in consultation with the Ministry to model and report on validated source testing conducted in October 2019.
 In October 2021, the Ministry confirmed officially that the plant is in

compliance.

- Megan Moore reviewed:
 - The draft Ambient Air Monitoring Report for third quarter, 2021.

Regulatory Reporting

- Jeff Taylor reported on the following:
 - o Written Summary for the Site Specific Action Plan (Submitted: March 31, 2021)
 - o Annual Ambient Air Monitoring Report (Submitted: May 4, 2021)
 - Emission Summary and Dispersion Modelling Report (Completed: June 30, 2021)
 - Acoustic Assessment Report (Completed: June 30, 2021)
 - o ECA Annual Written Summary (Submitted: Aug. 31, 2021)
 - National Pollutant Release Inventory (Submitted: Sept. 29, 2021)

Community Hot Topics

- Bo Cheyne said the Public Health Department continues to offer Covid vaccine clinics, and flu shots. She commended the company for its ongoing commitment to the community and for continuing to share helpful information about plant activities.
- Peter Smith reported that University of Guelph remains focused on safety during the pandemic. He has returned to working full time in the University laboratories, which have gotten busier in recent weeks.
- Beverley Hale said the University of Guelph has introduced a vaccine mandate for staff and students.
- Diane Sudds said that improvements have been completed to the site's Heritage
 Building, which will house meeting space and administrative staff. A pilot project has
 been initiated where employees can schedule time to come in for a few hours, while
 continuing to spend most of their time working from home. A major site expansion will be
 initiated in 2022 that will include upgrades to the pump house and other buildings. She
 announced that she will retire in March, 2022.
- Victoria Sheehan reported that students have returned to in-school learning. Safety
 protocols are in place. The first phase of playground improvements are complete and
 fundraising is underway for additional phases of the project.
- Jeff Taylor talked about the city's ongoing construction on York Road and how the plant has been affected.

Action Items:

The company will:

- Continue ambient air monitoring (reporting quarterly and annually).
- Seek and implement opportunities for driving additional reductions.
- Continue with plans to rebuild the furnace.
- Continue to report source results and mitigation measures to the Ministry and PLC.
- Post the Jan. 25, 2022 PLC agenda to the website a month prior to the next meeting.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, Jan. 25, 2022

- Provide an update on plans to rebuild the furnace.
- Review fourth quarter, 2021, data and annual average data for Ambient Air Monitoring.
- Provide an update on regulatory reporting for 2022.