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

October 18, 2022
By Conference Call
(Held virtually for purposes of public safety during COVID-19)
Meeting: 5 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

#### **PLC Members in Attendance:**

Paul Allen, Guelph Water Works
Beverley Hale, Associate VP Research (Agri–Food Partnership), University of Guelph Victoria Sheehan, Principal, Sacred Heart School
Peter Smith, Community Member

#### Absent:

Alisha Arnold, Two Rivers Neighbourhood Group
Bo Cheyne, Wellington Dufferin Guelph Public Health
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

# Representatives from Owens Corning Guelph:

Brett Arnold, Quality Leader
Patrick Drabicki, Environment, Health and Safety Leader
Kate Stanley, Community Liaison Representative
Jeff Taylor, Plant Manager
Mark Vanderlaan, Engineering Specialist

#### Other Attendees:

Penny McInnis, Montrose Environmental Group

#### **Facilitator**

Kelly Henry

## Meeting Handouts (distributed electronically prior to the call):

Draft PLC Meeting Summary – July 19, 2022

## **Welcome and Introductions**

Kelly Henry greeted the committee members and reviewed the mission of the PLC. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, the PLC is meeting by video conference call.

#### **Old Business**

 The group finalized the summary of the July 19, 2022 PLC Meeting. The summary will be posted to the website (ocguelph.com).

## **Proposed Meeting Schedule for 2023\***

- Q1: Proposed Jan. 24, to be held virtually
- Q2: Proposed April 25, Bad weather May 2
- Q3: Proposed July 18, Bad weather July 25
- Q4: Proposed Oct. 17, Bad weather Oct. 24
- \* Meetings may be held virtually, depending on Covid 19 protocols.

## **Plant Update**

- Jeff Taylor gave an update on:
  - Community
    - Owens Corning was among the sponsors of the Royal City U11 AAA Baseball Tournament held July 15-17. Teams from Guelph, Kitchener, Cambridge and surrounding towns participated in the tournament and the company funded the purchase of trophies. Owens Corning received a signed photo and thank you note from the Guelph Royals team.
  - New Team Member
    - In September, Patrick Drabicki joined the Owens Corning team as the Environment, Health and Safety Leader. Patrick introduced himself to the PLC and shared his background and experience. He has been living in Guelph for 10 years.
  - Health and Safety
    - No reportable incidents or injuries occurred since the last PLC meeting.
  - Operations
    - The plant was successful in working with the supply chain and customer service teams to ensure that there was adequate product available during the rebuilding of the furnace. In addition, the plant is working to better understand customer demand for 2023.
    - The facility continues to fund an active recruitment campaign to attract new hires. Two new people have joined the technical staff in process engineering roles.
- Jeff Taylor and Brett Arnold shared information and photos about:
  - Owens Corning Furnace Rebuild
    - The facility's furnace rebuild is complete. The work started on Sept. 12 and it was finished within 45 days, safely and on schedule.
    - During that time, manufacturing operations were shut down. The plant is expected to be back in full operation by mid-November.
    - The furnace features an electric boost designed to increase efficiency and reduce CO<sup>2</sup> emissions.
    - All told, the rebuild took more than 25,000 people hours.
    - By rebuilding the furnace, the plant is proactively managing this key asset to ensure business continuity.
    - The project supports Owens Corning global resourcing goals and represents a \$9.5 million investment in the Guelph site.
    - The work was allowed within the site's current permits.
    - Validated source testing and ambient air monitoring will continue to take place.
    - During the downtime, the team implemented numerous improvements, such as overhauling the electrical infrastructure, removing an unneeded cooling tower, replacing pipes and initiating two projects that resulted in noise reduction.

#### **Air Monitoring Program**

- Mark Vanderlaan reviewed:
  - The draft Ambient Monitoring Report for third quarter, 2022. The results continue to reflect a decrease and are well below the site-specific standard.

# **Regulatory Reporting**

- Jeff Taylor reviewed:
  - o The regulatory reporting schedule for 2022:
    - Written Summary for Site Specific Action Plan (Submitted: March 31)
    - Quarterly Ambient Air Monitoring Reports (Due: May 15, Aug. 14, and Nov. 14)
    - Annual Ambient Air Monitoring Report (Submitted: May 13)
    - National Pollutant Release Inventory (Submitted: June 1)
    - Emission Summary and Dispersion Modelling Report (Update Completed: June 30)
    - Acoustic Assessment Report (Completed: June 30)
    - ECA Annual Written Summary (Submitted: Aug. 25)
  - Emission Summary and Dispersion Modelling Report
    - The report was updated to reflect new plant conditions resulting from the furnace rebuild and improvements. All modeled emissions remain in compliance.

## **Community Hot Topics**

• Due to an inadvertent oversight, community hot topics were not covered during this meeting. This section will contain newly updated information presented in January.

#### **Action Items:**

The company will:

- Continue ambient air monitoring (reporting quarterly and annually).
- Seek and implement opportunities for driving additional reductions.
- Continue to report source results and mitigation measures to the Ministry and PLC.
- Post the January 24, 2023 PLC agenda to the website a month prior to the next meeting.

## Next Meeting: Tuesday, January 24, 2023

- Provide an update on the furnace rebuild
- Review the fourth quarter 2022 ambient air monitoring report
- Review initial data on the annual average of ambient air monitoring
- Provide an update on regulatory reporting for 2023