



**MINUTES
GASKET WORKING GROUP
MEETING**

Dates: August 29, 2017

Time: 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM EDT

Vehicle: Go-to-Meeting

Present:

Larry Sheffield – Inertech
Stephen Woolfenden -
David Mitchell - ESA
Antonio Morales – Empak
Chett Norton – Triangle Fluid
Lucas Norton– A.W. Chesterton
Ron Frisard – A.W. Chesterton
Greg Raty – Slade
Henri Azibert - FSA

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Absent:

Laverne Fernandes – Garlock
Jim Drago – Garlock
Mark Neal
Guillermo San Martin - Empak
Patricia Pichardo – Empak
Lee Gillette – W.L. Gore
Daniel Bisset – W.L. Gore
Charlene Jones – W.L. Gore
Matt Wasielewski – Yarmouth Research
Mark Richardson – James Walker
Francesca Torriani - General Packing
Philippe Pottier - Siem
Chiara Sozzi – General Packing
Martin Coulthard – James Walker
Carl Jones – W.L. Gore
Frank Herkert - Amtec
Constant Olivier – Technetics
Randy Wacker – InnerTech
Reiner Zeuss - SGL Group
Barry Anderson – Technetics
Juan Meyer - Empak
Phil Mahoney – A.W. Chesterton
Mike Boyd - Triangle Fluid
Mike Shorts – Triangle Fluid

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1) Approval of Agenda

2) SWG Testing Standard

- **Round Robin Progress**
 - Preliminary test results or observations
 - Question about the flange 300 vs. 400 & 600. Everyone using 300 Flange
 - Matt started the testing
 - No response from James walker and Amtec
 - Empak test in process
 - Chett to send follow-up to find out about progress
 - Lucas had a couple of remarks - Slight interference fit with the shroud with the washers – Port hole for sniffing – should be inline with the center point – Check drawings on SharePoint

3) Handbook

- **Publication on Website**
 - Posted on SharePoint.
 - Email Hope and Charli about putting on the front page under Technical Publications
 - Posted in ESA website – Read only
 - FSA Website free download

4) KnowledgeBase

- **Breaking down of Handbook in Chapters**
 - Sealing sense
 - Other material

5) FSA Standards

- FSA-MG-501-02 STANDARD –
- Steam Test ASTM F2716
- M&Y Statement
 - i. To be posted with water mark on Website – working on format to get the water mark

6) Industry Standards

- ASME B16.20 – Waiting for next meeting October 19
- API SWG testing adoption
 - Presentation for API refining meeting
 - API is interested in other types of gasket – (semi-metallic, Kamm profile) – Finish SWG first
- other

7) Sealing Sense Articles

1. Gasket handling and storage – Laverne
2. – Other Publications
 - a. BIC article

8) Training – Webinars

- i. Ron and Chett to meet – Video to be done – Working on scheduling Plan for Thursday this week*

9) Valve Users Group, Canada, Calgary September 26 – 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM -

- i. Ron, Jim, Mike, Phil*
- ii. Chett on Gaskets*
- iii. Phil on FSA intro*
- iv. Ron on Packing with Jim on Safety*

10)Government Affairs

- i. Canada Methane and VOC regulation –posted the responses on the website – Approved by Govt Affairs committee*
- ii. Pennsylvania, California, Ohio and Colorado Monitoring*
- iii. EGA – Govt Affairs committee plan*
 - 1. - letters to USTR Representative Lighthizer*
 - 2. - follow up meeting with Lighthizer, September target*
 - 3. - possible study for Trump Administration - EGA and addressing trade debt*
- iv. EDW – Papers issued including EuroPump – many involved and agreeing on plan forward*
- v. Other – Bref for each industry – Updates top the Brefs – Normal review every 8 years – but no specific emission standard*

11)LCC – Finish test standard first but keep on radar – Ron to revisit

12)Membership

- i. Potential new members –Teadit – Flexitallic – Virginia Sealing Products – Greg and Ron have contacts*

13)Marketing

- i. Work with marketing committee on promotion of Handbook*

14)New Business

- i. Table top at FSA HI Meeting – Any gasket participating? – Hope sent sign-up information*

ii. PTFE shortages? Price increases - Many plants in China being closed due to emissions

15)Next meeting

i. Thursday September 28, 9:00 AM EDT

16)Adjournment

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