



**MINUTES  
GASKET WORKING GROUP  
MEETING**

**Dates:** March 2<sup>d</sup>, 2017

**Time:** 9:00 AM – 10:30 AM EDT

**Vehicle:** **Go-to-Meeting**

**Present:**

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**Absent:**

Ron Frisard – A.W. Chesterton  
Stephen Woolfenden -  
Matt Wasielewski – Yarmouth Research  
Randy Wacker – InnerTech  
David Mitchell - ESA  
Martin Coulthard – James Walker  
Reiner Zeuss - SGL Group  
Francesca Torriani - General Packing  
Lee Gillette – W.L. Gore  
Barry Anderson – Technetics  
Laverne Fernandes – Garlock  
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## 1) Approval of Agenda

## 2) Handbook

- **Final review process**

- **Merging all chapters together. Final editing Chett –**
- **Uploaded on SharePoint - all hyperlinks had to be redone. All is merged.**
- **Need to have ballots – more members need to vote**
- **Henri to contact Hope, Greg and Jim both approve, Larry would like to see the ballot**
- **Henri to correct ESA address - check for Disclaimer – Circulate to TCC**
- **Then pdf and post on Website]**
- **Henri to attach to the next meeting invitation for last minute comments**

## 3) Spiral Wound Gasket Standard Draft

- Henri taking notes on the document**
- Fixture can be a problem using a flange – If you use a test rig there is less variability. Issue of calibrated torque wrench and lubricant. Desire of end user community. Possibly check it out during round robin. Load can be changed on the gasket on test machine. Leakage measurement would be difficult on test machine as test machine is vertical. Test machine could be done in parallel during round robin.**
- There is TaLuft test in the VDI.**
- Orientation of the fixture in illustration measurement from top or side? Gasket vertical plane - vertical axis of flange is horizontal Chett to do additional figure in horizontal position.**
- Final working draft and we need to start planning the round robin – Chett can provide gaskets, 25 units to start.**
- Frank can do testing – helium and methane. Mark Richardson will check – Check with Phil and Ron. Jim Drago will double check for just helium. Possibly Amtec, James Walker, Garlock, Chesterton.**

## 4) Industry Standards

- **ASME B16.20 Performance Based Requirement Meeting March 13**
- **API meeting in May – Mike Kupin plans to go. Henri also plans to go.**

## 5) Sealing Sense Articles – Other Publications

- Topics – Valve World - Correct storage and handling need images – How to correctly handle large gaskets. Chett can provide images to Daniel**
- Article how to install gaskets refer to fitter flyer. Promote manual and training. Chett**

**6) Training – Webinars**

- i. Recording next week*
- ii. Possibly next one in June – Anyone wants to participate?*

**7) Technical Meeting**

- i. Valve World America – Houston 6/20/21*
- ii. Technical meeting co-located June 19 and 23. Start with Gasket 6/19, and Packing 6/23.*
- iii. Training, 6/19*
- iv. Speakers corner opportunity*

**8) LCC – Future project**

**9) New Business**

- i. EGA*

**10)Next Meeting**

*March 30<sup>th</sup> 9:00AM EDT*

**11)Adjournment**

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