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INCMA's Monthly Fax Newsletter

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EPA TAKES FIRST STEP TOWARD CO2 REGULATION RULE

EPA released on Friday an Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking taking a formal first step toward eventually regulating CO2 and other green house gases (GHG) as pollutants. Officially the notice is to solicit various perspectives on all issues relating to regulating GHG's under the Clean Air Act. Comments will be due in November.

GREEN HOUSE GAS WORKSHOP AUGUST 12

Given the increased emphasis on regulation of green house gases (GHG) from Washington DC and a new reporting requirement that goes into effect June 2009, INCMA has organized a half day workshop to educate foundries on issues, regulations, and what foundries should be doing now to prepare for it all. Register online at INCMA.org.

INCMA ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE REPORT

The INCMA Environmental Affairs Committee met June 25. Key updates included:
>Federal guidance on PM 2.5 should be

effective this month and include provisions to exclude condensables from your emission calculations until 2011.

> EPA is moving forward with their area source rule for non-ferrous foundries despite original expectations that AL foundries would be excluded. AFS Issue.



> A federal effort is underway to revise the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) this Fall to be more stringent including lead limits.

A complete summary is available upon request. Please contact INCMA if you would like to participate or be on the Environmental email list.

INCMA BUSINESS SURVEY

If you haven't already filled out your INCMA 2008 Business Assessment Survey, please take a few moments to do so. The brief survey is intended to update statistics

collected a few years ago on foundry priority issues, employment, job growth and more. Thanks for your cooperation.

MERCURY RULES VACATED

As of late last week, the two primary federal rules intended to advance mercury emission controls have now both been vacated by the court system due to challenges from North Eastern States and various environmental groups. Indiana adopted state rules mirroring most of the provisions in these rules and must now decide whether to withdraw the rules or force regulated entities to comply with regulations likely to change. These rules primarily impact the utility industry but what impacts that industry usually impacts all energy users. EPA is expected to appeal to the US Supreme Court so a State decision on these rules may be postponed pending whether the high Court accepts the case.

EDUCATING IDEM

IDEM officials have tentatively agreed to allow the air permitting

staff to participate in a formal education session this Fall on foundry operations that may also include tours of facilities. Given the number of new permitting staff, INCMA anticipates this effort to be a significant and positive step for future foundry permits and relationships with regulators.

FUNDRAISING SEASON

Below are a few fundraisers of note that include foundry friends and key leaders. Contributions may also be delivered by INCMA if desired.

>8.1.08 Rep. David Niezgodski Golf Outing Walkerton 574.656-3295

>8.7.08 Rep. Russ Stilwell Golf Outing. Boonville. 317-231-6291

>8.18.08 Senate Majority Campaign Committee Golf Outing, Fishers. 317-964-5019

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