

MHA Technical Committee

Memo

Date: 10/17/2007

To: Richard Smith

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From: Rod Zander

RE: EPA Raleigh, NC Meeting Overview 10/10/07

Attendance: Debbie Stackhouse and Gill Wood (EPA), Rod Zander and Tim Seaton (MHA), Tom Stroud, Bob Ferguson and Dave Menotti (HPBA), Paul Tiegs (OMNI) and Walter Moberg (MOBERG FIREPLACES).

Not Present: Greg Green (EPA) who was at a meeting discussing climate change

This meeting was a continuation of the meeting we attended on 9/29/07 with EPA.

Gill stated that for EPA to write a regulation was not realistic due to the number of masonry heaters built in the USA. He recommended that a letter come from Greg Green stating that he has reviewed the "white paper" and that he finds masonry heaters to be clean burning. The exact wording of this proposed letter is to be determined. It is imperative that the "white paper" be drafted as soon as possible.

Bob Ferguson will write the "white paper" converting the information into useable data with a working first draft ready for review at the ASTM meeting in Tampa, Florida 10/29/07. HPBA will contribute \$5,000 to the HPBA Masonry Heater Caucus, if there are matching funds available. A portion of these funds will help underwrite Bob Ferguson's work to write the "white paper".

It is our recommendation that MHA match the HPBA contribution at \$5,000 as this process is critical to the membership. It is also imperative that members who are able, attend the Tampa, Florida meeting on 10/29/07 from 1-5 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Rod Zander