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SMS REMARKS ON BUSINESS COUNCIL ON INDOOR AIR  
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE - 10/27

MOVING ONTO THE NEXT ITEM ON THE AGENDA ... AN UPDATE ON THE  
BUSINESS COUNCIL ON INDOOR AIR ... WHICH WE HAVE DESCRIBED  
FOR YOU IN THE PAST AS ONE POTENTIAL AUDIENCE FOR OUR  
EXPANDED NUMBERS OF VENTILATION AND ETS CONSULTANTS.

THE COUNCIL ... YOU WILL RECALL ... IS A COALITION OF  
INDUSTRIES WHOSE PRODUCTS HAVE BEEN LINKED WITH INDOOR AIR  
QUALITY PROBLEMS ... AND COMPANIES WHOSE VENTILATION  
EXPERTISE SUGGESTS A BROAD SOLUTION TO ALL OF THESE PROBLEMS.

THE COUNCIL HELD ITS ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING IN LATE SEPTEMBER  
... 18 INDIVIDUALS REPRESENTING COMPANIES INCLUDING DOW  
CHEMICAL ... HONEYWELL ... ARMSTRONG WORLD INDUSTRIES ...  
MONSANTO ... PPG ... 3M ... UNION CARBIDE ... OWENS CORNING  
BIFER ... HEARD MORNING PRESENTATIONS FROM REPRESENTATIVES  
FROM SEN. GEORGE MITCHELL'S STAFF ... THE AFL-CIO ... THE  
E.P.A. ... AND THE PRESS.

THE TURNOUT WAS MUCH BETTER THAN WE HAD EXPECTED. ALL WERE  
CRITICAL GENERALLY OF EPA'S PRACTICE OF PUBLISHING  
ADVISORIES AND "FACT SHEETS" TO "INFORM" THE PUBLIC ... THAT

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PROVIDE INDUSTRY WITH LITTLE OPPORTUNITY TO COMMENT OR TO  
SUE.

WE BELIEVE THAT MANY OF THESE COMPANIES WILL COMMIT TO A  
FORMAL COALITION THAT REPRESENTS ITSELF WITHIN THE EPA ...  
THE CONGRESS ... AND THE MEDIA ... AS A TOOL FOR MITIGATION  
OF INDOOR AIR PROGRAMS ... THROUGH VENTILATION RATHER THAN  
THROUGH SOURCE CONTROL. SUCH AN APPROACH MAY PROVE HELPFUL  
... IN THE LONG RUN ... TO US AT EPA ... AND ALTHOUGH TOBACCO  
IS NOT FORMALLY REPRESENTED ON THE COUNCIL ... MOST OF THE  
VENTILATION EXPERTS WHO ARE CONSULT WITH US.

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