

Minutes of the 8th Meeting of the Chemical Sub-Committee
of the TAC held on the 18th June, 1981

Present:-

D.T. Westcott - Chairman
C.D. Briggs
H. Dymond
B.E. Frost
A.S. Weaving - Secretary

The minutes of the 7th meeting of the CSC (TC 633) were approved and signed without amendment.

1. Tar, Nicotine and CO Working Group

Mr. Briggs reported that the group had not met since the last CSC meeting as they were still awaiting survey data from the LGC. The main job of the group was to draft a method for the simultaneous measurement of PM(wmf), nicotine and CO. He said that the FTC had recently issued a report on Tar, Nicotine and CO and the statisticians would be meeting to consider the results and the tolerances used.

It was noted that Mr. Copeland had submitted a suggested glossary of terms for inclusion in RP11 (TC831). It was agreed that the glossary should only deal with terms mentioned in RP11 methods and that the 'definitions' should not be regarded as internationally acceptable.

2. Nitrosamines

Dr. Westcott mentioned that a meeting to discuss the analysis of N'-nitrosamines had recently been held in Bristol. He asked if the members found the meetings valuable and whether they would prefer to meet without the LGC being present. Dr. Weaving said that he thought that the LGC had not carried out any measurements on nitrosamines in cigarette smoke since their 1979 report. Mr. Briggs said that the LGC were actively engaged in measuring nitrosamines in other products such as food. The members found such meetings valuable and on balance favoured continuing to invite representatives from the LGC. However, the members would give some thought as to whether they should also have a meeting without the LGC representatives being present.

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