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Recycling of Fibrous Textile and Carpet Waste

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CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Monday, May 19, 1997

7:30 Registration/Continental Breakfast (Included)

8:45-12:00 Session I

Chair: John Muzzy, Georgia Tech

6ix Again Carpet Recycling Program at BASF
Tim Blount and Randy Sferrazza, BASF Corp., Enka, NC

Systems Modeling in the Design of Reverse Logistics Infrastructure for Carpet Recycling
Matthew J. Reallff, Jane C. Ammons, and David Newton,
Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA

Carpet Component Identification Coding (CCIC) System
Michael Knee, Marsh Micro Systems, Chattanooga, TN

10:15-10:45 Refreshment Break

Chair: John Conyers, Jr., Shaw Industries

Development of an Improved Fiber Identification System for Carpet Recycling
Stephen T. DeJesus, Qian Wang, and Dan Klevisha,
Brucker Optics, Billerica, MA

Georgia Pollution Prevention Assistance Division (P²AD)—A New Partner for Solid Waste Reduction and Recycling Market Development
Bob Donaghue, Pollution Prevention Assistance Division,
Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Atlanta, GA

12:00-1:30 Lunch (Included): 25th Floor

1:30-5:00 Session II

Chair: Robert Evans, National Renewable Energy Laboratory

Updates on DuPont's Activities in Carpet Recycling
Peter Kasserra and David Trickett, DuPont Canada, Inc., Kingston, Ontario, Canada

Progress in the Depolymerization of Nylon 6,6
Malcolm Polk, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA

Waste Minimization and Recycling in the Carpet Mill
Howard Elder, J & J Industries, Dalton, GA

3:00-3:30 Refreshment Break

Chair: Robert Fensterheim, SB Latex Council

Fundamental Aspects of Fiber Reprocessing
Carl Lehner, Leigh Fibers, Spartanburg, SC

Recycling of Carpet Waste by Injection and Compression Molding
Yi Zhang, John D. Muzzy and Satish Kumar, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA

Thermoplastic Waste Reclamation—Warm Feed Repelletizing System
Jess Turner, Frankl & Thomas, Inc., Greenville, SC

5:30-7:30 Reception: 25th Floor

TABLETOP DISPLAYS
Monday, May 19 and Tuesday, May 20
Peachtree Room
Tuesday, May 20, 1997

7:30  Continental Breakfast (Included)

8:30-12:00  Session III

Chair:  Howard Elder, J & J Industries

Zero Waste Management Program
Ed Carreras, Recycling Research & Technologies, Newtown Square, PA

SIERRA Program Overview: Synthetic Industries' Environmental Resource Reduction Action
Tony Knick, Synthetic Industries, Chickamauga, GA

New Developments in Vehicle Recycling
Amos Golovoy and John L. Sullivan, Ford Motor Co, Dearborn, MI

10:00-10:30  Refreshment Break

Chair:  John Bogdany, GenCorp

Use of Recycled and Waste Fibers in Asphalt Concrete
G. Scot Gordon, Darrel V. Holmquist, and Thomas W. Kennedy, CTL Thompson, Inc., Denver, CO

Carpet Waste for Soil Stabilization
Youjiang Wang, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA

Conversion of Recycled Polymers/Fibers into Melt Blown and Spunbonded Nonwovens
Gajanan Bhat, Vasanth Narayanan, Larry Wadsworth, and Maureen Dever, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN

12:00-1:30  Lunch (Included): 25th Floor

1:30-5:00  Session IV

Chair:  Michael Costello, AlliedSignal

An Integrated Approach to the Recovery of Fiber, Chemicals and Energy from Fibrous Textile and Carpet Waste
Robert J. Evans, Carolyn C. Elam, and Stefan Czernik, National Renewable Energy Laboratory, Golden, CO

Microsortation of Post-Consumer Mixed Plastics Using Near-Critical Liquids
Eddy Karnana and Robert Enick, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

Supercritical Fluid Antisolvent Recovery of Nylon from Carpet Waste
Aron T. Griffith and Christopher B. Roberts, Auburn University, Auburn, AL

3:00-3:30  Refreshment Break

Wednesday, May 21, 1997

7:30  Continental Breakfast (Included)

8:30-12:00  Session V

Chair:  John Tweedie, Albany International

An Overview of Commercial Recycling Technologies and Textile Application for the Products
Ken Hawn, Tex America, Charlotte, NC

Processing and Properties of Yarns and Fabrics from Textile Production Waste
K.P.S. Cheng and K.F. Wong, Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hong Kong

Bioconversion of Wool Industry Solid Wastes to Value-Added Products
K. Das, P.A. Annis, L. Zhang, E.W. Tollner and C.Q. Yang, University of Georgia, Athens, GA

10:00-10:30  Refreshment Break

Chair:  Carroll Turner, Carpet & Rug Institute

Life Cycle Analysis of Carpet Products
Matthew J. Reallf and Mike Saunders, Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA

Thermal Recycling of Carpet and Tire Waste
William Meuser, Thermal Organic Recycling Equipment Corp., Springdale, AR

Recycling Market Development for Solid Fibrous Textile By-Products
Patricia A, Annis and Mary Sue Brewer, University of Georgia, Athens, GA

12:00  Adjourn