

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, et al**

**v.**

**PHILIP MORRIS USA, INC.,  
(f/k/a Philip Morris, Inc.), et al.,**

**Civil Action No. 99-2496 (GK)  
FINAL OPINION**

362. The Center for Indoor Air Research (“CIAR”) was formally established in 1988 to carry out industry-funded research related to passive smoking; the original charter members were Defendants Philip Morris, Reynolds, and Lorillard. 506300804-0814 at 0804 (US 20756); 506647151-7156 at 7151 (US 20761); 321141105-1144 at 1142 (US 20588); TIMN0014390-4393 (US 62782); 2071412978-3143 at 3082-3096 (US 23061\*); 506662315-2316 (US 75277). See also Adams PD, United States v. Philip Morris, 6/19/02, 302:4-15, 304:5-306:11. Although CIAR had a Scientific Advisory Board to review the merit of project proposals, only the CIAR Board of Directors had authority to approve a project for funding. Moreover, a large number of industry- 170- favorable CIAR projects were approved directly by the CIAR Board of Directors without any review by its SAB. 517577761-7761 (US 20867).

363. These committees and organizations furthered Defendants’ collective goals by: (1) coordinating and funding Defendants’ efforts to generate evidence to support its position that there remained an “open controversy” as to the health implications of exposure to ETS; (2) leading the attack on the Government’s efforts to act on evidence linking ETS to disease; and, (3) in the case of CIAR, appearing to be an independent research funding organization when it was really a facade for concealing industry participation in certain studies.

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Burge, H .A. Bioaerosols . [Indoor Air Research Series) .  
Boca Raton : Lewis Publishers ; 1995 funded by CIAR.

<http://legacy.library.ucsf.edu/tid/jtd19b00/pdf?search=%22harriet%20burge%22>

May 21, 1992

MEMORANDUM

TO: Pat Donoho

Walter Woodson

FROM: Karen Fernicola Suhr

RE: MIOSHA proposed ETS standard (sic Environmental Tobacco Smoke)

The attached information from Michigan Labor Management Committee consultant Doug Weiland sheds some additional light on the Michigan OSHA proposed ETS standard and the rulemaking process. Regarding the people on the Occupational Health Standards Commission:....

Susan has talked with Tom Griscom at RJR (sic RJ Reynolds), who will approach two other members of the Commission – Harriet Burge (whom RJR knows through its network of scientists) and Patricia Brogan (through another industrial hygienist at Ford).

We will work through our LMC consultants to try to reach the labor representatives of the Commission. C&B is completing a paper outlining arguments against the proposed standard, and we should have that by Friday.

We need more information about whether the Commission has appointed an Advisory Committee (which we understand should be composed of all parties that would be affected by the proposed standard – including, presumably, the tobacco industry) and, if so, who is on it. The Advisory Committee should be appointed before any public hearings are held, according to the MIOSHA process for promulgating rules (attached). Please share this information with Bill Trisler. Let me know if you have questions, or if you learn additional information about the hearing.

Attachment  
cc: S. Stuntz –  
M. Gleason

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**HEADLINE: MOLD** IT'S DRAWING ATTENTION AS A POTENTIAL HAZARD, BUT **SOME HEALTH EXPERTS REMAIN SKEPTICAL ABOUT THE RISKS**

...Harriet Burge, an associate professor of Environmental Microbiology at Harvard School of Public Health, says she doubts that the O'Neils' illnesses were **mold**-related.

"There are lots of unknown symptoms people suffer from and it's more comfortable to blame them on something," Burge said. "I would be surprised if **mold** had ailments. Unless they were living in the attic where the **mold** was found, they were probably not exposed to high levels of **mold**."

**The Centers for Disease Control has asked Burge to chair a committee** that will conduct an independent review of **mold** research. After the results are released next summer, the CDC plans to use the data to set the agency's guidelines on **mold**. "We're trying to calm down this **mold** frenzy," said Burge. "I've been in this business for 40 years and **molds** have always been there, and none of ...."

Subj: **Re: from Sharon Kramer**  
Date: 3/27/2008 11:11:19 A.M. Pacific Daylight Time  
From: [SNK 1955](#)  
To: [hburge@emlab.com](mailto:hburge@emlab.com)

Dr. Burge,

Don't think another thing about having my name on a power point. I have never seen such a contentious issue as the mold issue in my entire life. I am used to things like that happening as I have been very vocal. Goes with the territory. But I do thank you for taking it off.

Actually, I am glad this happen. It lets me know what you think, I think. I never would have known your perception otherwise. So, I just see it as a good way to open a line of communication. I think you'll will be surprised to know what I really think.

Let me know when is a good time to talk.

WR,  
Sharon

In a message dated 3/27/2008 10:45:20 A.M. Pacific Daylight Time, [hburge@emlab.com](mailto:hburge@emlab.com) writes:

I apologize for using your name in the powerpoint. That was inappropriate. I have changed the presentation to reflect the overall impression I get from reading the toxic mold information on the web. I would be happy to communicate with you in the future regarding these topics, both by email and (hopefully) someday in person if you are able to attend one of my presentations. I'll look forward to hearing from you.

Harriet

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