

Pasadena Citizens' Advisory Council at Age 33

and How to Improve



PCAC at Age 33

PCAC Grew Out of Responsible Care

- Responsible Care established in 1988 by Chemical Manufacturers Association, now the American Chemistry Council
 - Continuous improvement in plant environmental, safety, other performance in response to public input. Encourages community advisory councils like PCAC. I served on its Public Advisory Panel for the first 9 years.
- Pasadena Citizens' Advisory Council was third CAC in east Harris County. Now one of 9 here and 125+ in US
- 1990 Steering Committee developed mission, groundrules, picked charter members, chose name
- January 1991 -- first PCAC meeting, at PISD Admin. Bldg.

What is a Community Advisory Council?

- Small group reflective of community
- Meets routinely with petrochemical plant managers
- For constructive, face-to-face dialogue
- Focuses on health, safety, and environment and other quality of life issues
- Advises plants how to improve in response to community concerns and expectations

PCAC's Mission



To provide a forum that opens dialogue between community and industry, addresses issues of interest to both, and promotes awareness and understanding of those issues.

How PCAC Advises PCAC Plants

- Chooses industry-related meeting topics about which the public has questions, concerns, or suggestions for plants
- Plant Updates each meeting let members discuss incidents, injuries, business news, etc.
- Q&A, small group discussion, worksheets
- Contact the facilitator and ask her to share your concerns—or talk to a plant manager directly
- Advice comes more often as a question than as a request

18 PCAC Plants

- Afton
- Air Products
- BASF
- Chevron Pasadena Refinery
- Chevron Phillips
- Enterprise Products
- Ethyl
- Evonik
- Gulf Coast Authority

- INEOS Phenol
- ITC
- Ketjen (was Albemarle)
- Kinder Morgan Export Terminal
- Kinder Morgan Pasadena Terminal
- LyondellBasell Houston Refinery
- Next Wave Energy Partners
- Oxy Vinyls
- Sekisui

Members and Meeting Participants

18 member plants in Pasadena, all north of SH 225 Individual community members. Reps from organizations serving Pasadena

~220 community and plant reps on mailing list Membership aims to reflect the makeup of Pasadena

Meetings open and visitors frequent

Parts of City of Pasadena in BAYCAP and SEACAP CACs Focus on **Issues**:

Plant Updates

Annual Reports

Main Topics

Plant updates for each meeting Environment, safety
Business news and
community
involvement
Recent activities and
plans.

Annual Reports Worker Safety
Plant Emissions
In PCAC Plants



www.pasadenacac.org

Outreach to Community

City of Pasadena and Chamber of Commerce website calendars

Meeting notice sent to *Pasadena Citizen*

Speeches