

**Dispersants Working Group  
Conference Call  
Thursday, September 21, 2006 @ 11:00 am ET**

Participants: Kurt Hansen, Karin Messenger, Jacqui Michel, Tom Purcell, Al Venosa, Nancy Kinner, Kim Newman, Kathy Mandsager

- I. Opening Discussion
  - This conference call conflicted with PWSRCAC Dispersants Workshop
  - Group would like to obtain Merv Fingas's report
  
- II. Next Steps – Where should we go from here?
  - It was agreed that new research should be presented
  - Workshop to host presentations
  - Convene a smaller organizing committee (Don Davis, Joe Mullin, Robin Jamail or Buzz Martin, Al Venosa, Mike Sowby, Nancy Kinner)
  - Could possibly have 8-10 presentations
  - Some concern about funders being able & willing to pay for travel expenses to this workshop
  
- III. Funders
  - API – no current funding; finished work with Don McKay
  - OSPARD – not known
  - TX GLO – not known
  - OSRI – not known
  - PWSRCAC – Merv Fingas – workshop and report
  - USCG – no current funding; not putting report on website
  - MMS – yes
  - EPA/DFO Canada – funding 3
  - CAL OSPR – Payne
  - Alaska – no current funding
  - Exxon – not known
  - Research Planning – no current funding
  
- IV. SINTEF/Oil in Ice Initiative
  - Amy travels to Norway for first meeting (9/19/07)
  - Meeting again in Halifax on 10/11/07
  - Goal is to get a biological component included in this project; if approved, the Center will then run a small RFP to fund this special experiment
  - Center is contributing \$50k to general Oil in Ice Program so NOAA/Merten can have a seat on this steering committee; also offered to host one of the workshops
  
- V. Next Conference Call - ?
  
- VI. Follow-up call later with Joe Mullin
  - Funding Keller's research re: Cold Weather 9500 oil
  - New RFP
  - Jan31, inviting visitors to OHMSETT for demonstration
  - 5 completed projects posting projects-with video (forthcoming) on their website