Winter Meeting – Tuesday, January 22, 2008

The first meeting of the Ohio Rubber Group was held at the Hilton Garden Inn in Twinsburg, Ohio on Tuesday, January 22, 2008. The technical portion and the dinner were well attended with approximately 75 people in attendance.

Technical Presentations for the meeting were:

“Overview on the Domestic and Foreign Auto Industries”
Rick Johnson, Managing Editor, Automotive News, Detroit, MI

“Changes in Under-the-Hood Automotive Elastomer Usage”
Jim Eddy, Senior Manager, Automotive Marketing, Zeon Chemicals, LP, Detroit, MI

After Dinner Speaker:

Lakisha Mosley, Rubber Division

Spring Meeting – Tuesday, April 22, 2008

Meeting was held at the Hilton Garden Inn in Twinsburg, Ohio on Tuesday, April 22, 2008. The attendance was approximately 55 people.

Technical Speakers:

“Comparison of Processability Parameters of Raw Polymers to Final Vulcanized Rubber Properties”
Julie Orlando, Tech Pro

“Internal Mixing and Mixing Parameters”
Rick Jorkasky, Kobelco

After Dinner Speakers:

Dave Schwarz, Chair, introduced himself to the group and outlined his duties and his focus in 2008 (for the group) to be effective communication and relationship building. This will provide a “strong connection between you and your fellow members as the best way to guarantee our group’s success.”
ORG Board Members, Joshua Guilliams, Vice Chair, and Paul Glasgow, Treasurer, introduced themselves to the attendees and outlined their duties and aspirations for the success of the Group in 2008.

Summer Golf Outing:
The outing was held at Avalon South Golf Course and Yankee Run.
The chair was Tom Rickey.
There were 166 golfers total. 90 golfed at Yankee Run and 76 golfed at Avalon.

Fall Golf Outing:
The outing was held at Silver Lake Country Club.
The chair was Greg Sibley
There were 120 golfers.

Fall Meeting – Tuesday, September 16, 2008
Meeting was held at the Hilton Garden Inn in Twinsburg, Ohio on Tuesday, September 16, 2008. The attendance was approximately 75 people.

Technical Speakers:

2007-2008 ORG Award Recipient
Maurice Wadley, Graduate Student, The University of Akron
“Recycled Rubber Processing, Capabilities and Applications”
Evan Piland, Sales Manager, Midwest Elastomers, Industrial Rubber Division

“Approaches and Modifications Needed When Processing and Curing a Compound Containing Recycled Rubber”
Marvin Myhre, Chairman, Rubber Recycling Topical Group (RRTC)

“Fundamentals of Performance Elastomer Recycling”
Jim Shell, VP Quality & Tech, FRS Elastomers