

formaldehyde, nitrogen dioxide, ozone, sulfur dioxide and total suspended particulates constituting Poisons List B

A prescription for environmental health, including lifestyle and environmental health, physical exercise, and political action, conclude the volume. The data on the chemicals appear to be up to date and accurate.

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This is a continuation of a series of such meetings which began with the first hosted by the Dutch and the American National Academy of Sciences Committee on Hazardous Materials at the Nieuwe Doelen, Rotterdam, The Netherlands, May 1968.

This 7th symposium attracted 216 registrants from widely separated locations. The purpose was to update and plan more effective measures for safety in the transport and handling of hazardous cargoes. Technical papers were presented in the following major areas:

Carriage of Dangerous Goods in Bulk (9 papers)

Total Inter-Modality — A Viable Concept? (6 papers)

Carriage of Dangerous Goods in Specialized Marine Systems and Remote Areas (6 papers)

Emergency Response and Associated Training (7 papers)

Pollution Control (6 papers)

Dangerous Goods in Ports (7 papers)

Many of the papers are accompanied by references, which give considerable utility to these proceedings.

Of special interest is the attention to training of personnel, a subject which has received relatively little attention in many quarters in the past. For example, the Maritime Training Section, Dangerous Goods, of IMO in London now has a syllabus for the various courses recommended for the seagoing and on-shore personnel handling hazardous cargoes, including emergency procedures in case of spill or other incident.

These proceedings should be a welcome addition to anyone who is concerned with the bulk transport of hazardous materials.

The 8th International Symposium in this series was scheduled for 24–27 September 1984 in Havana, Cuba. For details, contact International Maritime Organization, 4 Albert Embankment, London SE1 7SR, U K.

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