



Editorial



Gilles Baudin

The FEA confirms Its Committee of Experts

The Committee of Experts is up and running, putting an end to the preceding structure, and thus grouping together, in a single team, the members of the 3 previous committees (Health and Environment, Industrial Safety, Packaging and Product).

The **FEA** now has a single technical entity with a global vision ; bringing the experts together in a single committee will give it new impetus. Indeed, this Committee of Experts becomes more meaningful given the strong interaction between the various subjects and projects and the need effectively **to mobilise experts who are increasingly in demand, but rare**. We have no doubt that the intelligent leadership structure of this new committee of experts, with president **Volker Krampe** and two deputy chairwomen (**Pamela Bloor** and **Laurence Joly**) who together provide regulatory, technical and safety skills , will steer our European body towards concerted, **effective and quicker decisions**.

The CFA has worked hard for this charge, and I am pleased to see that this dynamic approach was perceptible as of the first meeting. May I thank all our French experts who were involved and will remain involved in this new scientific team, in particular **Virginie Fourneau**, who led the preceding Health and Environment Committee and enabled it to achieve the necessary results for the aerosols profession.

Gilles Baudin, Président du CFA.

STOP : no new label without concertation !



Indoor air quality - Inhalation

Following the « Grenelle de l'environnement », the French government drafted an « indoor air quality plan » (part of the Third National Health-Environment Plan) which seeks to reduce pollution in various indoor settings.

Particularly concerned are **paints, incense, scented candles and air fresheners**. These products may be subject to mandatory labelling to warn consumers about possible risks in the event of exposure.

The **AFISE** (French Detergent industries Association) has set up a working group to define the choices of exposure scenarios and measurement methods ; indeed, nothing has been standardised in these two essential fields to ensure we know what we are talking about. The CFA is represented on this working group.

While we may not be able to avoid additional labelling, despite the fact studies show that over-labelling reduces the quality of information, the CFA will provide a suitable tool for aerosols : **the FEA tool for assessing exposure, the « BAMA/FEA Indoor Air Model ».**

Henri-Marc de Montalembert, Secrétaire Général du CFA.

Summary

- CFA
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- Events calendar

Schedule for training courses

Two training courses will take place in 2014

- from **17 to 19 June**

- and from **14 to 16 October**

You will find the training course programme and registration form on the CFA website :

<http://www.aerosolution.org>

CALL FOR PARTICIPANTS Aerosols & Education

Improve public perceptions and raising awareness of aerosol technologies, is a motivating goal for both aerosol packagers and technology suppliers.

The **CFA** wishes to develop a working group with teachers, in order to create teaching aids. Indeed, spray is an everyday tool which can illustrate several chemical phenomena and physical laws.

Therefore a "catalog" of fun experiments could be create for the **educational setting**.

We hope you will welcome this development of the CFA's activity and contribute there to by sharing your suggestions and recommendations:

- On the **themes** to be developed;
- **Teachers** you know who might participate in the work of the teaching material committee;
- To **organize meetings** with teachers and visits of your plants

We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

Henri-Marc de Montalembert,
Président du CFA

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Safety forklifts and ATEX zoning



Dossier by **Eric ISSARTEL**
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The violence and often dramatic consequences of fires involving flammable aerosols are a proven fact. The speed and energy with which these fires spread challenge the performance of extinguishers, which often have to be totally dedicated to this risk and sized accordingly, making them complex and cumbersome. **Using a zone 2 « ATEX » forklift may meet safety criteria.** However, these forklifts have a certain number of drawbacks which limit widespread use on sites using aerosols (manufacturing, transport, logistics, storage...).

Thought has been given to the matter, and a study was entrusted to INERIS with the following goal : how to reconcile the specific safety requirements of aerosol handling, the use of safe handling methods that do not come under a standard ATEX approach and an advantageous cost/safety ratio.

[Click here to read the full report ici](#)

CFA statistics : aerosol production in France in 2013



The total number of units made in France grew strongly last year : **651 million**, compared with 555 million (+ **96 million products, +17%**).

Of course, part of this increase is due to the **repatriation of production previously carried out elsewhere in Europe**, but a real growth of approximately **50 million units (+ 9%)** remains.

And we must not forget that 2012 was a particularly difficult year.

Personal care products benefited most from this growth:

- **deodorants,**
- **hair sprays**
- **thermal waters**

grew strongly.

Shaving gels, which were very much in fashion for a time, lost ground to more traditional foams.

Household products as a whole remained stable.

Finally, industrial and **technical products (+ 11%)** and **food products (+ 18 %)** performed well.

The breakdown in the main product families is as follows :

- Personal care products **53 %**
- Household products **12%**
- Technical products **9%**
- Pharmaceutical products **22%**
- Food products **4%**

The predominance of aluminium containers on the French market is confirmed, more than in neighbouring countries ; in France, aluminium accounts for **77% of aerosol packagings.**

Henri Marc de Montalembert, Secrétaire Général du CFA.



PACOME, a company founded in 1989, is located in **New Caledonia**. We are the **CFA member** situated furthest from the capital, Paris.

Our core business is the manufacturing of aerosol cans and filling. The company began by making the HERGUN range of insecticides, HERGUN being the first name of the company from 1989 to 1992 – crawling and flying insect products and a repellent.

We quickly broadened our offering and aimed research at the development of other licenced or unlicenced aerosol consumer good.

Support from CFA members is welcome !

Now, after 25 years on the market, we would like to enable the inhabitants of New Caledonia to benefit even more from our experience by obtaining new national or international licences. To obtain these new licences, we are looking for technical and logistic support in addition to second-hand equipment so we can boost our productivity and the quality of our manufactured goods. [Read more....](#)

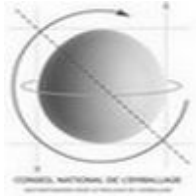


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