

Employer Profiles 28 April 2007:

GOLD PEAK (HOLDINGS) INDUSTRIES

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Gold Peak (Holdings) of Hong Kong ITUC/GM: The International Trade Union Confederation (ITUC) has launched a global campaign with the NGO "Globalization Monitor -GM" targeting the operation of three Chinese subsidiaries of Gold Peak Batteries International Limited in connection with the poisoning of workers by cadmium, a well-known carcinogen. This campaign, the first of its kind, is organized in the context of the 28 April International Commemoration Day (ICD) The company at the centre of attention is 53.4% owned by Gold Peak (Holdings) of Hong Kong. Gold Peak Industries produces and markets batteries, electronic components, cables, acoustical and light-fitting materials. In addition to its operations in China and Hong Kong, the company has a manufacturing network that extends into Singapore and Malaysia. Its marketing network reaches Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Italy, Philippines, Poland, South Korea, Sweden, Thailand, The Netherlands, Taiwan and U.K. Cadmium-related problems with this group of companies have received wide publicity. A number of fatalities have already been reported, as have sixteen cases of confirmed cadmium poisoning, and 400 more reported cases of excessive exposure. An additional 1,000 workers, most of them young females, continue to face short or long term exposure through their work. . ITUC & GM invite recommendations from the international community about possible courses of action to remedy the situation. Both organizations have issued a call for information relating to the operations of Gold Peak and its three Chinese subsidiaries - Huizhou Power Pack Company Limited (惠州超霸電池有限公司), Huizhou Advance Battery Technology Company (惠州先進電池有限公司) and Shenzhen Jetpower Batteries Limited (深圳捷霸電池有限公司 公). At the same time, they have requested additional information on their release of such carcinogenic agents as cadmium, as well as an analysis of their likely impacts. See also each country mentioned above.

[1] For a copy of the Wednesday 21 March, 2007 story also containing information about cadmium dangers and monitoring by companies: [http://www.global-unions.org/pdf/ohsewpQ_9h.EN.pdf].

[1] Copy of this 28 April company profile of Gold Peak Industries:[http://www.global-unions.org/pdf/ohsewpQ_9d.EN.pdf]

[2] Globalisation Monitor (GM): [gm_hongkong@hotmail.com], PO box 72729, Kowloon Central Post Office, Hong Kong, Tel (852) 6185 1684).

[3] GM' "Report on the Gold Peak Cadmium Poisoning Case", March 2007: [http://www.global-unions.org/pdf/ohsewpQ_9f.EN.pdf].

[4] SOMO - The Netherlands: Centre for Research on Multinational Corporations: [<http://www.vbdo.nl/index.php>] or contact Francis Weyzig [f.weyzig@somoni.nl].

[5] SOMO's Gold Peak's corporate ownership structure: http://www.global-unions.org/pdf/ohsewpQ_9e.EN.pdf.

[6] SOMO's background of GP functioning and operations in China and related activities in Hong Kong, Taiwan, The Netherlands and other countries: [http://www.global-unions.org/pdf/ohsewpQ_9g.EN.pdf].

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is a FOCUS Re: **WORKER POISONING: CADMIUM** is a MODEL Re: was/is party to an OECD MNE case: <http://www.tuac.org/statemen/cmultinat.htm>

1. T.U. info from: **NGO: GLOBALISATION MONITOR (GM)** [HTTP://WWW.GLOBALMON.ORG.HK](http://www.globalmon.org.hk)

2. T.U. info from: **GOLD PEAK - CORPORATE STRUCTURE(REF: SOMO)** http://www.global-unions.org/pdf/ohsewpq_9e.en.pdf

Copy of this 28 April employer profile: http://www.global-unions.org/pdf/ohsewpq_9d.en.pdf

For country 2006 28 April activities: http://www.global-unions.org/pdf/ohsewpH_1a.EN.pdf
 For country 2007 28 April activities: http://www.global-unions.org/pdf/ohsewpH_5Ad.EN.pdf