

MEMORANDUM

To: EED General Committee

cc: Henry Scarton, Elio Manes

From: Anibal Taboas, Chair of EED

Date: November 10, 1998

Subject: Status Report of EED Bylaws and Other Topics

Our next General Meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 16, 1998, from 9:00 a.m.-12 noon in Anaheim, CA. This meeting will be held in conjunction with the International Conference (formerly known as the Winter Annual Meeting). This memo contains a status report on our current activities for consideration and discussion in our upcoming meeting.

- Enclosed is a copy of the latest revision of our Bylaws. This revision considers a number of comments including those provided during its last review. Please note that several changes in the committee structure have taken place since the last review, and these changes are reflected in the enclosed Bylaws.
- The new Air Pollution Control Committee replaces our FGD, NOx, Control, and Particulate Control Committees. This new committee is our principal committee addressing utility needs. As you may remember, these committees have been less than fully active, and only one of them participated in the Joint Power Generation Conference organizing several sessions. I am actively seeking a chair for this new committee and would welcome nominations.
- The Pollution Prevention Committee is currently less than fully functional. Jim Bridges of the U.S. EPA in Cincinnati has been the able chair of this committee. However, Jim has been ill for sometime, and out of respect for his accomplishment, no attempt has been made to find a new chair. However, the time has come to reactivate this important committee.
- The EED Vice Chair is Chair of the Conference Committee and editor of the Newsletter. Although not mentioned in the Bylaws, it is anticipated that the Conference Committee would consist of representatives of various committees with interest in meetings. Alan Moghissi plans to bring a draft of the Newsletter to our meeting in Anaheim. Karen Garcia, our Vice Chair, should undertake the final steps for publication of the Newsletter.
- In accordance with these Bylaws, Gary Benda chairs the Advisory Committee. Unfortunately, Gary will be unable to attend our meeting. As Vice President of Nukem, he must attend a meeting of the Board of Nukem which is being held on the same day. It is my understanding, however, that he has identified members for this committee.
- Dr. Alvin Young has agreed to replace me as the Chair of the Environmental Communications Committee. Al is an outstanding candidate with significant accomplishments. We are fortunate to have him chairing this important committee.

- The former Chair of the Regulations and Standards Committee has retired. I am pleased to report that John Steele has agreed to take that task. In his current position at Westinghouse Savannah River, John is involved in the development of safety standards for environmental technologies. He is in the process of reestablishing his committee.
- The Mixed Waste Committee continues its activities. The Committee's attempt to have a regulatory workshop and training course failed. However, the Committee is a full participant in the Waste Management meeting in Tucson and is managing a large number of sessions.
- The Environmental Remediation Committee is also functioning with its major focus on the organization of sessions in Tucson.
- The primary functions of the Environmental Policy Committee are the identification of environmental policy issues of concern and the development of EED or ASME statements. This committee has completed several statements, and one statement on environmental technology is currently in progress. A Panel has been formed to convene a workshop. This workshop will be followed by a statement on nuclear power plant life extension.
- The Hazardous Waste Committee is also operational. It had a workshop in Denver and was a participant in the failed regulatory workshop. It is a cosponsor of a meeting on incineration.
- Our Honors and Awards Committee is chaired by Alan Moghissi who has fostered the EED proposal for the establishment of the ASME Dixy Lee Ray Award. We expect to nominate a person for this award as soon as a formal approval has been received.
- I am asking chairs of all committees to provide me with an updated list of their respective members. We should consider including them in our Newsletter. Please bring these updated lists with you to the meeting.