

our points were taken well by yourself, Mr. Jiwesh Nandan and Mr. Sandeep Garg and we are anxiously waiting to see your directive in this regard.

3. Tolerance: Regarding tolerance on efficiency values on the star rating, on 13th February 2009, you have clarified on BEE's stand. On that basis, the clause 3.0 in Schedule 7 shall be modified to avoid ambiguity.

“with regard to applicable tolerance, the BIS tolerance is applicable for star rating efficiency value, provided the efficiency value, does not go below the immediate lower star rating value”

While thanking you for having a fruitful discussion, we would request you to do the needful on the above three points, so that the members of IPMA & SIEMA shall immediately join the scheme.

Techno 4

SIEMA & Orbitz are jointly organizing Techno 4 - An international Exhibition - from 9th to 11th April 2010 at Intec Trade Fair grounds. Booking of stalls

has already started. Members are requested to book their stalls to avoid last minute rush. The details of the exhibition are being sent by M/s. Orbitz. For more details, members are requested to contact SIEMA or:

M/s. Orbitz Exhibitions Pvt. Ltd.,
Classic Towers, 3rd Floor,
Trichy Road, Coimbatore 641 018.

Congratulations

SIEMA congratulates Sri V. Venkateswaran, General Manager, Ammarun Foundries, Coimbatore on his election as the Chairman, Institute of Indian Foundrymen (Coimbatore Chapter) for the year 2009-10. SIEMA wishes Sri Venkateswaran and his team all the very best.

MoU between Si'Tarc and TUV, Rhineland, Germany

Si'Tarc and TUV, Germany signed a Memorandum of Understanding on 30th April 2009. SIEMA wishes all success for the new initiative.



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Fortnightly Newsletter

Activities from 16 May 2009 to 31st May 2009

Luncheon Meeting:

We had a luncheon meeting with the EC members of AIEMMA, Mumbai on 16th May 2009. Sri Jayakumar Ramdass, President, Sri T.C. Thiagarajan, Vice-President and Sri G. Rajendran, President, COINDIA attended the luncheon meeting.

Meeting with Member of Parliament:

Sri G. Rajendran, Past President met Sri P.K. Natarajan, Member of Parliament, Coimbatore and offered felicitations on 16th May 2009 at his office.

Sectional Committee of BIS:

Sri G. Rajendran, Chairman, Pump & Motor Panel attended the Sectional Committee of ET 15 of Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS), New Delhi on 18th May 2009 at New Delhi.

Technical Committee:

The Technical Committee met and discussed about Draft standard on Motors for Submersible Pumps – Specification (second revision of IS 9283) received from BIS, New Delhi.

Meeting with Chairman, CII (SR):

Sri Jayakumar Ramdass, President, Sri T.C. Thiagarajan and Sri V. Lakshminarayanan, Vice-Presidents met Sri C.R. Swaminathan, Chairman, Confederation of Indian Industry, Southern Region and discussed about the industrial scenario.

Meeting on BEE:

Sri Jayakumar Ramdass, President, Sri G. Rajendran, Chairman, Pump & Motor Panel and Sri V. Krishnakumar, President, IPMA met on 20th May 2009

at our Association and discussed about the points / suggestions to be sent to BEE for implementation of S & L programme for Pumpsets.

Felicitation:

SIEMA & COINDIA jointly organized a felicitation to Sri C.R. Swaminathan, Chairman, Confederation of Indian Industry, Southern Region on 23rd May 2009 at our Association.

Special Lecture:

We had arranged a lecture on, "VETRI KODI KATTUM PANIYAALARGAL" by Sindhanai Kavingar Kavidasan, Director & Head, Roots Group of Companies, Coimbatore on 28th May 2009 at our Association. The lecture was very useful and members appreciated the initiative taken by SIEMA.

Forthcoming events

A Special Technical Committee meeting will be held on 1st June 2009 at our Association to discuss about the outcome of the ET 15 Sectional Committee meeting of BIS, New Delhi held on 18th May 2009 at New Delhi.

Technical presentation on, "Energy Efficient Monoset Pumps by Sri Abhay Keny, General Manager – R & D, Perfect Engineers will be held on 3rd June 2009 at 6-00 p.m.

A session on, "Global Downturn and India – How? Now?? Next??" by Sri Ashok T. Aram, Managing Director – Global Markets, Deutsche Bank AG will be held on 6th June 2009 at 6-30 p.m.

We are giving below the copy of the joint representation of SIEMA & IPMA sent to Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), New Delhi for the information of members:

Dr. Ajay Mathur,
Director General,
Bureau of Energy Efficiency,
Ministry of Power,
New Delhi.

Dear Sir,

We thank you for the courtesy extended to the undersigned and Mr. Y.I. Buch, Mr. Rajeev Amin and Mr. Bharat Patel, Past Presidents of IPMA during our visit to your office on 12th May 2009.

We would like to record that the following points were discussed during the meeting:

1) Technical Committee: To resolve various critical issues on Star Labelling of Agricultural Pumps, it is necessary to have a Technical Committee. IPMA and SIEMA would be happy to extend all co-operation in forming the Technical Committee and participate in all proceedings as is being done with various Sectional Committees of BIS. You had assured us that the existing committee with members from IPMA and SIEMA will be invited for a Technical committee meeting by mid June. This Technical Committee will also look into the performance values of Mixed Flow Pumps under Star Marking programme.

2) NABL Certificate: Scope for energy conservation in agricultural pumping is vast since nearly 50% of connected load on the National grid comprises of Agricultural Pumps. Meaningful results in this sector can be achieved only by providing adequate checks and balances, without which the programme may result in a disaster. Self certification will result in many

unorganized manufacturers like KIT assemblers to wrongly declare their product as FIVE STAR rated products even if it does not meet the parameters of five star. This will keep the quality conscious organized manufacturers away from the whole process because these KIT sectors can offer such wrongly declared FIVE STAR products at a price much cheaper than quality branded products since they don't pay any Excise Duty, Sales Tax etc. A check on this will really encourage quality manufacturers to enrol themselves in the scheme. Self certification may be existing for other products but the same should not be compared with Agricultural Pumps since the stakes are very high.

Major portion of the connected load on the National grid is for Agricultural Pumps but the farmers have no motivation to conserve energy whereas buyers of refrigerators or air conditioners would themselves be concerned for the energy bills to be paid for.

So it is essential that BEE should insist for a certificate from NABL approved lab for the products registered for star ratings. We were pleased to note that