## **EPC Operations Committee Meeting Minutes**

Time: 1:00 - 2:00 pm Date: 09/14/18 Location: Virtual Attendance: Richard Rolke, Jagdish Prajapati, Jenny Heinlein, David Dutschmann, Patty Summers, Joe Bell, Claire Cagnolatti, Bryan Thibodeaux, Allan Hatami & Tho Tran

## Agenda;

- Anti-Trust statement Patty-
- Review 2019 submitted abstracts
- Discuss other session topic ideas
- Next meeting

## Anti-Trust Statement:

"No activity of the Committee shall involve the exchange, collection or dissemination of information among competitors for the purpose of bringing about or attempting to bring about any understanding or agreement, written or oral, formal or informal, express or implied, among competitors with regard to costs, prices or pricing methods, terms or conditions of sale, distribution, production quotas or other limitations, on either the timing, or volume of production, or sales, or allocation of territories or customers."

**Meeting Minutes:** 

- Reviewed anti-trust statement
- Reviewed 2019 submitted abstracts
  - T4 543923: Dissolved Oil Removal from Ethylene Plants Quench Water committee is confused as to what this is and why it is important. Has it been tested? Is there a producing partner? Additional information is needed. Patty to contact the author for additional information.
  - T4 544151: Hight Temperature Hydrogen Attack committee had a few questions as to the parts of the plant effected but generally it seemed to be a good topic pending what other abstracts we receive. If we fill up, this may be a good topic for the safety group.
    Joe Bell thought there was a similar paper in the safety session last year and will look for that paper and share with the committee. No other action at this time.
  - UOP abstract submitted for presentation on troubleshooting CGDs including using their remote monitoring tool ARMGuard. This abstract was well received and looks like it will be a good addition to our session. It would best fit with a tutorial session if we break that out separately.
- Other Session Topics
  - Could process technology providers be approached to do tutorials? Many do training for producing companies. The area of Decoke would be of interest. Richard will follow up with Muhammad at Technip who could not attend today. Lummus would be another company to follow up with.
  - Another potential area of interest would be hydrate formation in feed chilling fractionation trains. David thought UOP had an internal expert on the topic. Allan will see if this is a topic they may be able to speak about.
  - Ina general discussion on sustainability, it was mentioned a talk by the EPA would be of interest especially for younger engineers. Experience with SCRs would be a possible

topic area as well. Bryan will see if they can do a case study about their successes. A vendor may be able to assist with the presentation if appropriate.

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- Set date of next Operations Committee meeting
  - October 9<sup>th</sup> 1:00 pm virtual

Next meeting - October 9th, virtual

Follow-up Actions:

- Solicit abstract for upcoming conference all
- Contact author of Dissolved Oil abstract for additional information Patty
- Contact Muhammad to check on Tutorial on decoking Richard
- Check for internal expert and interest in presenting on hydrate formation Allan H
- See if a case study on SCRs is a potential paper Bryan
- Send out agenda & meeting logistics for next meeting Patty

## **EPC Schedule:**

Location: Hilton Riverside, New Orleans	
Sessions entered into Confex:	June 20, 2018
First Call for abstracts:	June 29, 2018
Call for abstracts closes:	Nov 12, 2018
Papers Accepted/Rejected:	Dec 14, 2018
Draft Schedule ready:	Jan 9, 2019
Online registration begins:	Jan 20, 2019
AIChE draft paper due:	Feb 21, 2019
AIChE final papers due:	Feb 25, 2019
AIChE draft slides due:	Mar 7, 2019
Conference:	Mar 31 - Apr 4, 2019

Future conferences:

- 2020 Houston Hilton Americas/GRB
- 2021 Dallas
- 2022 Florida?
- 2023 Houston
- 2024 San Antonio or New Orleans