

EPC Operations Committee Meeting Minutes

Time: 2:00 – 2:30 pm

Date: 1-20-21

Location: virtual

Attendance: David Dutschmann, Jenny Heinlein, Richard Rolke, Vik Balasubramanian, John Cahill, Marty Shelton, Claire Cagnolatti, Miguel Maldonado, Patty Summers

Agenda;

- Anti-Trust statement - Patty
- Paper status and organization of session
- other conference details

Anti-Trust Statement:

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Meeting Minutes:

Since the last meeting, the paper on AI was transferred to the digital session.

The main presenter for the Suez/Braskem paper titled, “Promising Chemical Treatment for 1,3 Butadiene Fouling” indicated they were no longer interested in presenting this year as the event went virtual. They have gathered more data and would be interesting in updating the paper and presenting in 2022.

The abstract on operating training at San Jac was never received.

As we only have 6 papers now, order of papers was determined to be as follows:

1. Crude Butadiene Recycle Experiment – Eastman (Marty is sponsoring)
2. Steam Line Failure – Dow (Jenny/Richard sponsoring)
3. Combustion Air Preheating technology and associated energy savings (and CO2 reduction) – Technip (Miguel is sponsoring)
4. Vertical Thermosyphon Reboiler Operation Troubleshooting – ExxonMobil (David is sponsoring)
5. Furnace Modernization: An Economical Way to Upgrade your Existing Furnace to Improve Energy Performance and reduce CO2 Emissions (Vik is sponsoring)
6. How efficient is my charge gas compressor? Braskem (Patty is sponsoring)

Sponsors: Please contact your presenters and ask them to complete the first pass presentations by March 5th. Remind them that they will have ~20 - 25 minutes to present. Also ask them to register for the conference (this is required in order to present).

Need to return David's presentation from Exxon very quickly as the presentation and recording both need to be approved by legal before the event.

Recordings are due at end of March. Papers aren't due until closer to the conference.

~~Our session(s) will be on Thursday afternoon (April 22nd). First session starts at 1:15 and second session starts at 2:45.~~ **CORRECTION: Our session is on Wednesday April 21. First session starts at 10:45am and second session after lunch at 1:15pm.**

Request: Can they leave the chat open a few minutes after the paper ends? – Patty and/or Richard to follow up on this.

Action items:

- Patty and Vik to finalize sessions – done
- Sponsors to notify authors of acceptance, date & time of presentation, and other details on deadlines per the notes.
- All – register for conference.

Next Meeting: March 11 2:00 – 4:00 pm to review presentations and discuss