POWER INSTITUTE OF EAST AND SOUTHERN AFRICA WORKGROUPS VIRTUAL MEETING – 23 OCTOBER 2020 by Video Link

Present: Mr Vally Padayachee, Mr Archie Jaykaran, Dr Troy Govender, Mr Johannes Mpotu, Mr Hennie Scholtz, Ms Jay Chetty, Kgopisho Mahunonyane, Ms Sumaya Nassiep, Ms Susan Venter, Mr Isaac Serwadda, Mr Veer Ramnarain, Mr Jean Venter, Ms Jacqueline Chauke, Mr Mthokozisi, Ms Belinda Dawson, Mr Joe Tefu, Mr Francis Nyikayaramba,

1. WELCOME AND OPENING

The Executive Officer Mr Vally Padayachee welcomed all in attendance

2. PRESENTATIONS

2.1 Asset Management

Mr Archie Jaykaran presented perspectives on Asset management, fourth industrial revolution and potential elements of a new strategy and future trends.

2.2 ISO 50001 Energy Management Systems

Mr Vally Padayachee presented the ISO 50001 Energy Management Systems in the workplace

3. ASSET MANAGEMENT ADVISORY GROUP

Members **AGREED** to form Asset Management workgroup and in the interim requested Mr Archie Jaykaran to be the convener of the group whilst awaiting Board approval.

4. WORKGROUP SESSIONS

4.1 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Impact of Covid in the Workplace

Dr Troy Govender presented the findings and impact of Global Covid statistics: World infections 41.1 million, world deaths 1.13 million, Africa infections 1.28million, deaths 40 469, and also pointed out safety risks of working from home during lockdown, as safety is not regulated and controlled in a home environment compared to work/office environment with safety officers and other safety measures.

Conclusion/Action Items

- Review and update 3-year strategic plan
- Consider online(zoom) safety and environmental training courses for PIESA members
- Review Terms of Reference
- Finalise outstanding guidelines

4.2 ELECTRIFICATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Mr Vally presented a slide on outputs of the workgroup meeting held at Sun City on the 28 October 2019

Conclusion/Action Items

- To request electrification statistics from African countries
- Workgroup to align and be guided by Agenda 2063 document (African Union)
- To access grant funding (Power Africa/African Development Bank)
- Alternative / Renewable Energy
- Alternative Business model

- Focus-on grid & off grid electrification
- Focus on Densification and Intensification
- Impact of 4IR on electrification

4.3 STANDARDISATION WORKGROUP COMMITTEE

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Conclusion/Action Items

- Create skype or Teams account for all members
- Agree on a list of requirements
- Main standards Harmonise and have common standards
- Share use cases, emerging challenges and new experiences
- Assistance with consolidation of information and coordination
- Develop centre of excellence

4.4 REVENUE PROTECTION WORKGROUP COMMITTEE

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Conclusion/Action Items

- To arrange a webinar for all members on TID rollover
- Rogue metering task team formed by SARPA (Belinda Dawson)
- Implementation of TID rollover website

5. PIESA WEBINARS

Mr Padayachee provided feedback regarding the webinar held for 11 days in June 2020 and acknowledged attendance from the members of the AMEU and IERE. Next webinar to be hosted in February 2021

6. NEXT WORKGROUP MEETING

Combined workgroup meeting to be held end Nov 2020 and to hold workgroup meetings every second month.

7. CLOSURE

The Executive Officer concluded the meeting and thanked everyone for their contribution