



Conclusions and Actions from ETN's IED BREF teleconference call

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Review of the LCP BREF document

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Intro/background

Christer started the conference call by providing a short background to past ETN activities related to the IED LCP BREF process and a short update on the latest information received from the European IPPC Bureau in Seville.

In September 2013, the ETN IED Committee submitted more than 70 comments (mainly focusing on Chapter 10) on the Draft 1 (D1) of the LCP BREF document under the Industrial Emissions Directive (IED) accompanied with a letter highlighting the main issues. In total the IPPC bureau received 8500 comments on the first draft (D1) of the revised LCP BREF.

In March the IPPC Bureau announced that the proposal to set up subgroups of the TWG in order to deal with specific issues of concern identified in D1 was not approved. Instead they decided to hold an intermediate informal TWG meeting in June before holding the final TWG meeting in the autumn. So far no date or agenda has been issued for the meeting.

Concerns, impact and parallel engagements

After a short review among the participants of the call on the impact and their concerns on the current BREF D1 it was concluded that all highlighted issues and concerns had been highlighted in the submissions of comments and in earlier correspondence with the IPPC bureau. P. Walsh also highlighted that EUTurbines had highlighted all these concerns at a meeting in Seville in March 2014. N. Dawson, National Grid also mentioned that Marcogaz had highlighted these issues both in submitted comments as well as in a position paper.

Next steps and actions

C. Björkqvist highlighted the importance to ensure that the gas turbine related issues which have previously been highlighted would be present on the agenda for the intermediate Technical Working Group meeting in June. P. Walsh proposed to submit a high level statement which would demand the inclusion of these topics. C. Björkqvist underlined the importance that such a letter must be supported by data/evidence in order to be successful. L Witherspoon offered to provide a table of OEM emission guarantee data that had been collected among the OEMs prepared for BLIERS development in Canada. N. Dawson also proposed to have a discussion with Marcogaz as they might have some useful data as well.

It was decided that R. Brandwood would draft a first outline for this statement referring to the past ETN submitted note (attached) and backing the request up with data from the table that L. Witherspoon promised to circulate. Roger would also have a discussion with Juergen Vorgang at Marcogaz to see if they could provide additional data that could be included. This draft would then be circulated among ETNs WG members for comments. It was also agreed to send it to EUTurbines and Marcogaz, after the internal circulation, to see if they would like to support it before the final submission.

C. Björkqvist stated that ETN would try to find out the planned date for this intermediate TWG meeting, which ETN would send at least two representatives to attend.

Proposal for a Medium Combustion Plant Directive

Finally, C. Björkqvist highlighted that the European Commission has issued a proposal COM (2013) 919 for a directive to address pollutant emissions from medium combustion plants.

The key features of the proposed MCP Directive are:

- Scope: from 1 up to 50MW thermal input installations (CHP included);
- Pollutant emissions to be regulated: SO_x, PM & NO_x (see the annexes enclosed);
- Installations must be registered at national level;
- Emissions values to apply to new installations (most optimistic timeline could be 2017-2018) and by 2025 and 2030 for existing installations above and below 5 MW respectively

More information:

- http://ec.europa.eu/environment/air/review_air_policy.htm
- http://europa.eu/rapid/press-release_IP-13-1274_en.htm
- <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=CELEX:DKEY=746862:EN:NOT>

Actions

The following actions were agreed up on:

- L. Witherspoon to circulate a table of OEM Emission Guarantee data
- N. Dawson to report on ETN's initiative to Marcogaz
- R. Brandwood to contact Juergen Vorgang at Marcogaz
- R. Brandwood to draft an outline for a letter to the IPPC Bureau backed up by data
- ETN WG members to comment on the drafted outline for the letter
- ETN to send the letter to EUTurbines and Marcogaz to verify if they would like to support it
- ETN to send the final letter to the IPPC Bureau and to find out more details related to the informal June meeting
