

MONTHLY SOME STEERING COMMITTEE - TELECONFERENCE

Record of Meeting Form

American Petroleum Institute
1220 L Street Northwest
Washington , DC, 2005

COMMITTEE: Subcommittee on Mechanical Equipment (SOME)

Meeting : SOME Steering Team

Meeting Type: Web Conference

Joint API/ISO WG Meeting: No

Meeting Minutes Date ; February 18, 2008

Attendance

M	Joe Thorp (Chair)	Aramco
M	John Kocur (Vice Chair)	ExxonMobil
M	Terry Roehm	Marathon
M	Rich Lewis	Dow
M	Roy Craddock	Lyondell
M	Cliff Cook	CVC Engineering
M	Royce Brown	Consultant
M	Richard Dow	Shaw Energy & Chemicals
M	Mike Rohacek	Consultant
Staff	Gordon Robertson	API

- 1) Member companies are encouraged to bring young engineers to the Spring Meeting. Past attempts at fostering greater participation within SOME met with only marginal success:
 - a) Little/no advertising budget within API regarding this
 - b) API recommended publishing papers to get involvement
 - c) Limited Turbo Symposium exposure in past
 - d) API booth at Pump & Turbo Symposium abandoned as not commercially justified

ACTION ITEM:

- Cliff to inquire about advertising at the Turbo Show during the slot normally reserved for the Monday short course for API Specifications
 - Terry to examine/modify visitor packet handed out at API meetings to use as advertisement at Turbo Show.
 - Joe to approach CRE for funding on mail outs.
- 2) Note at future Refining Meetings, SOME will attempt to finish morning sessions no later than 11:50 AM . Afternoon starting times will begin at 1:00 PM rather

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than 1:30 PM. Where it appears that a vendor lunch may extend beyond the afternoon start time ; a “late start” announcement will be made prior to lunch.

ACTION ITEM:

- Bob to encourage vendors to make accommodations for placing reservations early so SOME has a greater chance of utilizing hotel facilities which will allow us to stay within a 70 minute duration.
- 3) Study of eleven API Standards bracketing API-610 and API-671 revealed that there exists global inconsistency in the use of the terms “vendor”, “supplier” and “manufacturer” . While the term “vendor” is most commonly used (“vendors” > 2180 X ; “suppller” > 470 X and “manufacturer” < 90 X) , the others are still used somewhat interchangeably .Decision was to encourage use of the term “ vendor” over “supplier” for future revisions of API SOME Standards. Definitions for both “vendor” and “supplier” will however continue to exist in the Standard Paragraphs due to the reference of the latter term in the API preamble of each document .

ACTION ITEM:

- Cliff to place note in SP's directly Task Force Chairs to use vendor over supplier. (Believe this is complete.)
- New TF's will use the term ‘vendor’ instead of ‘manufacturer’ and ‘supplier’

4) SOME Consultant Contracts:

Contact:	Description	Value	Percent Completion
Cliff Cook	Standard Paragraphs	\$ 33,000	65%
Cliff Cook	Monogram Requirements	\$ 10,800	52 %
Mike Rohacek	Electronic Data Exchange	\$ 10,000	32%

4.1) Contract Status Reports:

- a) SP's are 95% complete in terms of ISO editorial comment and review . This includes all paragraphs through clause 6.8.
- b) To date 87 external dual references have been checked and resolved. This is thought to exceed over 55% of the total number of references that exist throughout all SOME Standards.

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ACTION ITEM:

- Cliff to determine exact number of outstanding (unresolved) paragraphs by the March 17 teleconference.
 - c) Monogram proposal on API-687 was sent to API for review. Problems may exist in establishing a monogram around an RP. Steering Committee reviewed the option of changing the designation of 687 to a Standard rather than a Recommended Practice. Most were in favor of this however further consideration will be given to this in the coming months.

ACTION ITEM:

- Gordon to find status of API decision
 - d) Electronic Data Exchange work is progressing smoothly. FIATECH agreements in place with Hydraulic Institute. Once HI Standard is publish, SOME will be a position to use this work as a template within not only API-610 but all other SOME standards.
- 5) Roger Jones will be developing a charter for a new recommended practice – “Risk Based Inspection for Machinery” which will be provided to the CRE. This practice will strive to:
 - a) Improve management of health and safety and other risks associated with equipment failure
 - b) Provide technical guidelines on repair vs. replacement decisions to maximize production assurance.
 - c) Eliminate ineffective inspections, extending inspection intervals
 - d) Maximize plant availability .

SOME Chairman believe that CRE should consider funding this new work for a minimum of \$ 50,000 over the next 3 years. Those individuals that wish to participate in the TF should send a confirming e-mail to Roger Jones and are encouraged to forward relevant internal company standards to him.

ACTION ITEM:

- Need to integrate w/ RP 687 regarding repair/replacement decisions to avoid conflicting remarks and overlap for future revisions

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- 6) ISO-20815 was discussed with those Steers that were present.

ACTION ITEM:

- Steering committee to send opinion of ISO vote to Joe by COB Friday February 22, 2008. Joe will vote majority decision.
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- 7) Dry Gas Seal Reliability Survey and Workshop (1 day) for High Temperature and Pressure Services. This will be held at the Aramco Services Building February 26, 2008 , located at 9009 West Loop South , Houston Texas , 77030.

ACTION ITEM:

- If you are interested in attending and you have not already done so, please send an RSVP to Joe