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## Energy

The Senate works. We have a Keystone Pipeline Bill being worked on in a Conference Committee with the house that will eventually go to the President for signature or Veto. Veto it probably will be, as Yoda might say it. It looks like the President will have to do his job and take credit for his energy policies – energy policies that are directly supporting a radical environmental agenda. Even though the Senate works, the ENGOs and the White House will do all in their power to squash any linkage to any environmental issue negatively impacting energy. We believe in their minds there are no, and can be no negative impacts on energy for any environmental desire or demand. There is a rejection, out of hand, that the increasing costs of energy due to environmental regulations can, and do, negatively impact the economy and disproportionately burden the poor, retired and less fortunate populations of the country, if not the world. An example from Environment and Energy Daily, “Success on energy bill may hinge on separation from EPA attacks -- Republicans are forging two separate roads through the energy and environmental policy landscape on Capitol Hill over the next two years. One is paved with pragmatic, bipartisan ideas, the other with combative, base-riling red meat, and the prospect of enacting the first comprehensive energy bill in more than eight years may hinge on whether those two paths ever intersect.”

Based on the current situation there could be an energy bill this year. The probability that it will include anything that will help support coal, fuel flexibility, combustion and lower energy prices and be signed by the President could very well be a fantasy found somewhere over the rainbow.

We do believe it is possible to make positive headway. CIBO's Industrial Institutional Energy Policy and Fuel Flexibility Statement will be released and briefed in the Capital Visitor's Center on the Wednesday afternoon of March Quarterly Meetings. This will be a beginning of our outreach to help people, the Executive Branch and Congress understand the realities of energy and its implications for each and every one of us. While it may not change the environmentalist rejection of energy implications, it may help create the linkage and a positive outcome on all our issues.

## Environment

Have you ever been next door to a room full children, and it is really quiet? As you get older you get to realize that all is not well and they are getting into trouble that could, very well, cause you some grief. While we have been focusing on compliance with Boiler MACT by January 31, 2016 (**less than a year from today**), EPA has been focusing on rules for our friends in the Utility Sector – a sector for which we pay about 29% of their cost of operations as a direct pass through to us. That is in the other room.

Wait until you hear about what is going on regarding an Ozone NAAQS. If any standard is set at something less than 70 ppm Ozone, it could mean SCR on all units beyond the cost of compliance with Boiler MACT including when the compliance plan is to convert to Natural Gas.

Although our primary legal briefing for the Boiler MACT Suite of rules is almost over the wait for oral arguments and our comments on the reconsidered Boiler MACT rule underway, there have been a host of small litigations around the country of a precedence setting nature that CIBO has signed onto with NAM and the Chamber. Lisa's Briefing at the Quarterly Committee Meetings will be extremely important for our members to watch for within their states and relative to what they may be doing at their facilities.

As we and the ENGO's come to realize that there are less than two years for the current Administration, and that even Senator Clinton is more realistic than the current President, if there is a road or path to be thought of that will secure the death of coal and combustion it will be tried and followed.

Activities associated with combustion residuals and water guidelines for utilities may not be for utilities only. What is the old adage you can get so focused on the tree in the swamp that you don't see the alligator coming up to take off your leg – or something like that. Hopefully we can help.

## Technical Focus Group, Environmental & Energy Committee Meetings –March 2-3, 2015 Arlington, VA

Focus Group Topic is “Integrating Industrial Energy Operations for Profit.”

Key topics of Committees to be addressed include: CIBO's Energy Policy, Natural Gas Storage; BMACT Major Source, Area Source, CISWI & NHSM Reviews and Compliance Concerns; and Coal Ash, GHG, Litigation, NAAQS, NSPS 111(d) and Water Rules Regulatory Updates

### 2015

**CIBO Meetings & Conferences**

**EE/Technical Committee Meetings**  
Radisson Hotel  
Crystal City, VA  
Mar 3-4  
June 2-3  
Sep 15-16  
Dec 8-9

**Fluidized Bed Combustion XXVIII And Stoker Fired Operations and Performance Conf**  
Baton Rouge, LA  
Apr 27-29

**Industrial Emissions Control Technology XIII Conf**  
Portland, ME  
Aug 3-6

**37<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting**  
Ponte Vedra Beach, FL  
Oct 21-23

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## 2015 Conferences & Meetings Schedule

*The Fluidized Bed Combustion XXVIII and Stoker Fired Operations and Performance Conference* will be held April 27-29 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. With the changing environment and fuels situation at our facilities, our ability to make energy cost effectively, efficiently and in an environmentally sustainable way is why we host this conference. Here we address the concerns of CIBO members and FBC, Industrial, and Institutional Boiler Owners and Operators across the country regarding how to continue to operate and improve performance with constraints that are changing, almost, on a daily basis. CIBO's annual FBC and Major Source Operations and Performance Survey and the final agenda will be sent out at the end of the month. There is a \$200 AMEX Gift Certificate given out at the meeting to any one of the owners in attendance who has filled out and submitted the survey. You can check out the agenda on line [www.cibo.org/fluidized-bed-combustion-conference/](http://www.cibo.org/fluidized-bed-combustion-conference/).

*The Industrial Emissions Control Technology XIII Conference and Natural Gas Conversion Workshop* will be held by popular demand again in Portland, Maine, Aug 3-6. With Natural Gas rapidly growing as a compliance option to emissions controls for MACT, the Thursday Natural Gas Conversion Workshop should again be a highlight. Your help, comments and suggestions are welcomed and appreciated. If you would like to submit an abstract for a presentation, e-mail [gail@cibo.org](mailto:gail@cibo.org). The member priority cutoff date will be March 31, 2015 on a first come first serve basis. After that, non-member presentations will be considered to fill available slots.

*The Quarterly Committee Meetings* at the Radisson, Crystal City, Virginia will be the Tuesday and Wednesday of March 3-4, June 2-3, September 15-16 and December 8-9.

The 37th Annual Meeting will at Ponte Vedra Inn & Club in Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida on October 21-23.

## From the President's Desk – Bob Bessette

First of all I want to welcome our latest new members Fives North American Combustion and Skanska. Their participation will be a benefit to all our members in this changing energy and environmental compliance time period.

Over the years I have learned a lot from my four children, now sixteen grandchildren and the 8th and 9th graders I have had the opportunity to get to know through CCD/Sunday School. Through that I have gained a tremendous positive hope for the future and a belief that all people try to do what is right; and, if you don't give up and continue to do that, you will actually win in the end. We are all in a time of great change across the globe, within our country and even in some cases within our companies as we try to find our place and survive. A long time ago, someone left a post card on my desk. It said, "All things cometh to he who waiteth, if he worketh like hell while he waiteth." I believe if we do that we will win in the end. I expect this is one of the main reasons CIBO has been as successful as it has been over the years.

## Member News

Jansen Combustion and Boiler Technologies, Inc. (JANSEN) is sponsoring two 2015 Biomass Boiler Workshops:

- Minneapolis, Minnesota, May 14-15, 2015
- Savannah, Georgia, September 17-18, 2015

For sign-up and to receive a detailed program of the technical presentations, workshop location, and hotel, etc., please contact Pat Azeltine or Cathy Thomas by phone at 425.952.2843/2835 or by e-mail at [FirstName.LastName@jansenboiler.com](mailto:FirstName.LastName@jansenboiler.com).