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B.C. AREA DIRECTOR MAKES PRESENTATION TO BLRBAC

Fellow IPE member Pat Jordan arranged an invitation to BLRBAC, the Black Liquor Recovery Boiler Advisory Committee meetings on Apr. 22-23. Eric Steinson was invited to make a presentation on the benefits of the IPE to the pulp industry group.

When the dinner speaker backed out at the last minute, Eric was asked to speak about his role as the Chair of the Boiler Technology Committee at the B.C. Safety Authority.

They were a very interested group, particularly when Eric spoke about TILMA (Trade, Industry, Labour Mobility Agreement) and the AIT (Agreement on Internal Trade).

Everyone was happy to hear that their Power Engineering certificates are now recognized at face value across the country.

Next day Eric and Pat Jordan sat through all of the presentations on spout cleaners and RB air system improvements before making a presentation on the



benefits of joining the IPE. It started with an explanation of how we achieved Society status in 2002 and how that allows us to place PE after our names. Then Eric explained the work our Legislation Committee did to help keep Section 76 of the PEBPVS on Recovery Boilers when the BCSA suggested it could be deleted in its Proposed Amendments.

Eric and Pat agreed to travel to Prince George to meet with Power Engineers this summer about the possibility of creating an IPE Branch there. A number of Power Engineers are still employed there in the pulp industry.

It was a worthwhile effort to present to this important group of steam chiefs.

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Special points of interest:

- Regulation changes posted!
- Getting the message out
- The IPE had an impact

CHANGES TO THE POWER ENGINEER, BOILER, PRESSURE VESSEL AND REFRIGERATION SAFETY REGULATION POSTED ONLINE LAST WEEK

The April 1, 2009 changes to the Power Engineers, Boiler, Pressure Vessel and Refrigeration Safety Regulation were posted online at www.safetyauthority.ca. The main changes to the regulation are related to TILMA (Trade Industry Labour Mobility Agreement) and result

in changes to firing time requirements for each of the classifications of Power Engineers. The requirements now match B.C. with Alberta, which means a reduction of firing time required in B.C. To view the new regulation, go to www.safetyauthority.ca,

click on Safety Programs, then Boilers, Pressure Vessels and Piping, then Regulations..., then Power Engineers, Boiler, Pressure Vessels and Refrigeration Safety Regulation.

Do not hesitate to call if you have any questions about the changes.

If you would like to have a copy of the change document showing differences between the old and new regulation, do not hesitate to call the Area Director for B.C.

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