

SOUTH AFRICAN ELECTROLYTIC CORROSION COMMITTEE

CONSTITUTION AND TERMS OF REFERENCE

(As amended 03 November 2011)

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Since the inception of the "South African Corrosion Committee" in 1965 various changes occurred in South Africa. The constitution and terms of reference of the main committee and the regional field committees reviewed and revised from time to time to adjust to these changes.

The aim of the committee is to address the problems of electrolytic corrosion and AC interference throughout the Republic of South Africa.

2.0 NAME AND FORMATION

2.1 The MAIN Committee shall be known as the
"SOUTH AFRICAN ELECTROLYTIC CORROSION COMMITTEE"
and shall comprise of members representing the following bodies :

2.1.1 Transnet Freight Rail

2.1.2 SARCC

2.1.3 Transnet Pipelines

2.1.4 Eskom

2.1.5 Department of Minerals and Energy

2.1.6 Department of Labour

2.1.7 Department of Water Affairs

2.1.8 IMESA

2.1.9 Oil Industry Corrosion Control Group

2.1.10 Rand Water

2.1.11 Johannesburg Water

2.1.12 The Corrosion Institute of Southern Africa

2.1.13 Sasol Gas

2.1.14 STANSA

2.1.15 NERSA

2.1.16 Rail Safety Regulator

2.2 Each Regional Field Committee chairman shall be a member on the MAIN Committee

- 2.3 Each body represented on the MAIN Committee shall be entitled to nominate one member and one alternate to serve on the Committee.
- 2.4 Any member organization not attending three consecutive meetings will automatically become a non-voting representative.

3.0 REPRESENTATIVES OF OTHER BODIES

- 3.1 If the MAIN Committee considers such an action to be necessary, it may, from time to time, invite other bodies to appoint representatives to the Committee.
- 3.2 Other organizations may apply for membership to the MAIN Committee and such application shall be considered at the next meeting of the Committee.

4.0 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN AND DEPUTY CHAIRMAN

- 4.1 The MAIN Committee shall elect a Chairman and a Deputy Chairman for every period of two years.
- 4.2 Should either of these officers relinquish his post within the two year period, a replacement shall be elected by the MAIN Committee to serve for the remaining period.
- 4.3 In the event of both the Chairman and the Deputy Chairman not being present at the meeting, the meeting shall elect a Chairman for the meeting.

5.0 PAYMENT FOR SERVICES

Working costs and expenses will not be borne by the MAIN Committee. Each party involved will normally bear its own working costs.

6.0 TERM OF OFFICE OF MEMBERS

There is no prescribed term of office and members appointed to the MAIN Committee should remain on the Committee for as long as possible, in order to ensure continuity.

7.0 SECRETARY

Transnet Freight Rail will be responsible for appointing a permanent Secretary to the MAIN Committee.

8.0 QUORUM

Not less than four of the members or their alternates comprising the MAIN Committee shall form a quorum.

9.0 VOTING POWERS

Each member or, in his absence, his alternate, shall have a vote. The CHAIRMAN shall, in addition have a casting vote. Every person who represents two or more organisation will have only one vote.

10.0 AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION AND TERMS OF REFERENCE

- 10.1 Amendments or additions to the Constitution and Terms of Reference of the MAIN Committee or Regional Field Committees shall be made only by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the votes of all members of the MAIN Committee.
- 10.2 Not less than 4 weeks notice of any proposed amendment to the constitution of the MAIN Committee or Regional Field Committees must be given to members.

11.0 AIMS, OBJECTS AND SCOPE OF THE MAIN COMMITTEE

- 11.1 The aims, objects and scope of the MAIN Committee shall be as detailed hereunder.
- 11.2 To initiate the creation or termination of Regional Field Committees.
- 11.3 To coordinate the activities of the Regional Field Committees.
- 11.4 To appoint technical sub-committees to undertake designated tasks, or for delegating such functions to local Regional Field Committees.
- 11.5 To disseminate any important decisions on principle which may arise from the work of one or more Regional Field Committees.
- 11.6 To provide a platform for resolving problems relating to DC and AC interference and to institute and foster co-operative electrolytic corrosion mitigation.
- 11.7 To determine and recommend general construction practices and methods aimed at achieving the maximum practicable reduction of losses due to electrolytic corrosion.
- 11.8 To gather information on its various activities, publish technical documents from its members and to update its own "Code of Practice".
- 11.9 The functions, proceedings and activities of the MAIN Committee shall be solely of an advisory and consultative nature for the benefit of its members and of other organizations as may, from time to time, be decided.
- 11.10 Nobody represented on the MAIN Committee shall be bound by the recommendations of the Committee.
- 11.11 No member shall be held to commit or bind the body he represents in any way or in anything whatsoever, unless specially authorized thereto by the body and unless he expressly agrees to do so; neither can any resolution of the MAIN Committee be binding on any member or on the body he represents.
- 11.12 All Natural Drainage Units (NDU), Forced Drainage Units (FDU), Impressed Current Cathodic Protection (ICCP) and Cross Bonds installations shall be registered with the Regional Electrolysis Committees before installation proceeds.
- 11.13 All members shall strive to adhere to the recommendations, principles and Code of Practice.

12.0 USE OF INFORMATION

- 12.1 Bodies represented on the MAIN Committee shall be free to use any information or technical data available to the Committee for their own application and under their own powers.
- 12.2 Dissemination of information and technical data to bodies not represented on the MAIN Committee will be decided by the MAIN Committee.

13.0 MEETINGS

- 13.1 The MAIN Committee shall meet at least once a year.
- 13.2 Meetings shall normally be held in Johannesburg.
- 13.3 The Secretary shall give not less than 4 weeks notice of any meeting.

JOHANNESBURG

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NOTE: The amended Constitution and Terms of Reference were accepted at the meeting of the above Committee on 03 November 2011.