

BLRBAC'S PURPOSE

The main purpose of BLRBAC is to promote the improved safety of chemical recovery boilers and their auxiliaries through the interchange of technical knowledge, experience, and data on past and any future recovery boiler incidents. This review and exchange is culminated in updates to the various BLRBAC publications, available at no charge, which promote the safe operation of black liquor recovery boilers.

ATTENDANCE AT BLRBAC MEETINGS

The nature of the discussions at BLRBAC necessitates that the meetings be closed and, consequently, attendance is limited to employees of member organizations or companies and their invited guests. Click on "Operating Procedures and By-Laws" on the BLRBAC Home Page for additional information.

MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS AND COMPANIES IN BLRBAC

A list of member organizations and companies is posted on the website.

There are three categories of membership:

Regular Members – Organizations and companies that operate black liquor recovery boilers (BLRBs), those that manufacture BLRBs, and insurance companies that provide coverage for BLRBs.

Associate Members – Other organizations and companies that have demonstrated a commitment to maintaining and improving the safety of BLRBs through the equipment and/or services they provide.

Corresponding Members – Organizations and companies, which because of geographical location makes it difficult for them to attend regularly, who are otherwise qualified to be either Regular Members or Associate Members.

Note: Associate Members and Corresponding Members are encouraged to share their areas of technical expertise by attending meetings and participating in committee and subcommittee activities. However, only

the designated Regular Member Representative (or Alternate Representative in the case of a Representative's absence) have voting privileges during Main Committee meetings.

APPLYING FOR MEMBERSHIP IN BLRBAC

If you wish to have your organization or company apply for membership in BLRBAC, the following needs to be provided:

- Have management (someone capable of granting permission for employees to use company funds to participate in BLRBAC activities) make the request in writing by e-mail or on company letterhead to the BLRBAC Chairman, with copies to the BLRBAC Secretary and BLRBAC Secretarial Services. (Click on "Contact Information" on the BLRBAC Home page for name and address details.) Include the category of membership for which you are applying.
- Provide a description of your organization's or company's operations and if you are applying as an Associate Member or Corresponding Associate Member, how your organization or company contributes to safety in black liquor recovery boilers.
- Include the names and e-mail addresses of the two individuals you wish to designate as the Representative and Alternate Representative to BLRBAC.

The Executive Committee will act on your request at the next regularly scheduled BLRBAC meeting. If your application is accepted, your membership will be announced at the Main Committee Meeting and will appear in the Minutes of the Meeting. Membership assumes that your organization or company or organization plans to become an active participant at BLRBAC, which includes attending meetings and participating at the subcommittee level. Once membership has been approved, any employee in your organization or company is welcome to attend future BLRBAC meetings.