

# **EUCI Presents a Course on:**

# EUCI COAL POWER PLANT FUNDAMENTALS

October 28-29, 2009 • Hyatt Regency Chicago • Chicago, IL

"This course was developed wonderfully! Great job starting with the simple examples (steam engine, simple DC generator) and building on that!" Marie Moore, Exelon Corporation

"Really appreciated the discussion along the way of issues you can face with the various components. Thanks!" Sherry Overbrook, Entergy Corporation

"Great course! We're all very busy and so I appreciated the quality and quantity of information presented in a two-day format." Kevin Hopper, Associated Electric Co-op, Inc.

"Very good course! This course provided me with a sound overview of how coal is turned into energy. It was perfect for someone new to the energy industry." David Bunch, Rio Tinto PLC

"Superb overview, from beginning to end of the coal power plant operations." Chris Dorling, NESCO Group

"Desirable introductory course for someone new to the power generation industry." Bob Zeiss, BASF Catalysts, LLC



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### OVERVIEW

This general introductory course provides some basic engineering concepts needed to understand how a coal-fired power plant works, followed by a general overview of power plant layout and operating principles. All major systems in the power plant will be discussed from coal handling to the switch yard. Relationships between power plant systems will be illustrated. **The focus will be on simple presentation of complex engineering ideas, so attendees are not required to have an engineering or scientific background to attend this seminar.** 

# WHO SHOULD ATTEND

- New employees who work at, or deal with, coal-fired power plants
- Generation dispatchers who need a basic understanding of coal-fired power plant operation
- Regulators, communications staff, and others who need a basic understanding of coal-fired power plant operations
- Administrative or management support professionals who need a better understanding of coal-fired power plants to plan and implement projects
- Corporate accountants who desire more information on coal-fired power plant operations and the factors that can affect operating costs
- Sales professionals who must have knowledge of coal-fired power plant operations to better serve customers

# WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

- Identify how energy is released from fuel and how it is transformed into electrical energy by a power plant
- Discuss the basic principles of heat, work, and energy in the power cycle
- Review how the major equipment and sub-systems in a power plant work and how they work together
- Analyze how certain factors can affect the performance and availability of a power plant
- Review the basic operating principles of a power plant
- Discuss how electricity is directed out of the power plant

# INSTRUCTOR

### Philip J. O'Keefe

As a licensed Professional Engineer, inventor, teacher, scientist, manager, machinist, artist, scale model builder, and published author, Philip J. O'Keefe's professional accomplishments cover the gamut from a recognized expert within the electric utility industry to patent recipient within the medical device industry.

With over 27 years of engineering experience, Mr. O'Keefe provides expert witness services and litigation support in patent infringement, trade secret misappropriation, product liability, personal injury, regulatory compliance, and professional malpractice cases through his company, EngineeringExpert.net, LLC. His experience includes 14 years in the design, testing, and operation of fossil fuelled power plant systems. He is also a certified training instructor within the electric utility industry and has experience teaching courses on power plant operations, control systems, electrical safety, and efficiency testing.

### IACET



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#### Requirements for Successful Completion of Program

Participants must sign in/out each day and be in attendance for the entirety of the course to be eligible for continuing education credit.

### Instructional Methods

PowerPoint Presentations, Group Discussion

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### PROGRAM AGENDA

### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2009

8:00 – 8:30 a.m. 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	Registration and Continental Breakfast Course Timing Group Luncheon
8:30 - 8:45 a.m.	Introduction, Format, Objectives
8:45 - 9:15 a.m.	<ul> <li>Primer</li> <li>Power Plant Concepts <ul> <li>A Simple Power Plant</li> </ul> </li> <li>Basic Energy Conversion <ul> <li>Transferring Heat to Steam Energy</li> <li>Converting Steam Energy to Mechanical Energy</li> <li>Converting Mechanical Energy to Electrical Energy</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
9:15 - 10:15 a.m.	Heat and Energy Properties of Substances     Mass, Volume, and Density Pressure and Flow     Units of Pressure     Pressure Measurement     Causes of Flow and Flow Measurement Temperature and Heat Forms of Energy     Potential and Kinetic Energy     Internal Energy     P-V Energy Importance of Temperature Work and Heat in Power Plants The Properties of Water     Phases – Solid, Liquid, and Gas     Change of Phase     Specific Heat     Effect of Pressure     Density     Properties of Steam Improving the Basic Power Plant     Containing Heat     Fuel Delivery Systems     Combustion Air     Flue Gas Removal     Superheater     Reheater     Steam Turbines     Condensers     Feedwater Heaters

### **CPE CREDITS**



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Upon successful completion of this event, program participants interested in receiving CPE credits will receive a certificate of completion.

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### WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2009 (CONTINUED)

10:30 - 11:30 a.m.	<b>Combustion Basics</b> How Does Fuel Burn? Coal and Natural Gas Combustion Heat Losses During Combustion Fuel Preparation and Handling for Pulverized Coal and Cyclone Furnaces Differences Between Coal, Natural Gas, and Oil-Fired Furnaces Natural Gas, and Oil Ignition Systems Hazards of Handling and Storing Fuels
11:30 a.m 12:00 p.m.	<ul> <li>Handling of Combustion Air and Flue Gas</li> <li>Handling Combustion Air and Gas <ul> <li>Types of Fans and their Applications</li> <li>Control of Fans</li> <li>The Combustion Air Path</li> </ul> </li> <li>Air Heaters and their Operation <ul> <li>The Flue Gas Path</li> <li>Furnace</li> <li>Economizer</li> <li>Scrubbers</li> <li>Precipitators</li> <li>Stack</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
12:00 - 1:00 p.m.	Group Luncheon
1:00 - 1:30 p.m.	<ul> <li>Combustion Heat Transfer</li> <li>Modes of Heat Transfer</li> <li>Furnace Heat Transfer and Temperature Control</li> <li>Pulverized Fuel Firing</li> <li>Cyclone Firing</li> </ul>
1:30 - 2:00 p.m.	<ul> <li>Ash Removal</li> <li>Nature of Ash</li> <li>Problems Caused by Ash Accumulation</li> <li>Boiler Designs for Slag and Ash Removal</li> <li>Equipment for Boiler Cleaning</li> <li>Fly Ash Removal systems</li> <li>Ash Conveyors</li> <li>Disposal</li> </ul>
2:00 - 2:30 p.m.	<ul> <li>Furnace Explosions</li> <li>Causes, Combustion vs. Explosion</li> <li>Requirements for Proper Combustion</li> <li>Operating During Emergencies</li> </ul>
2:30 - 2:45 p.m.	Afternoon Break
2:45 - 3:15 p.m.	Boiler Steam-Water Cycle

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOE	<b>3ER 28, 2009</b> (CONTINUED)			
	<ul> <li>Boiler Steam-Water Cycle</li> <li>Economizer</li> <li>Steam Drum/Downcomers</li> <li>Waterwalls</li> <li>Primary Superheater</li> <li>Secondary Superheater and Reheater</li> </ul>			
3:15 - 4:30 p.m.	Turbines Classifications • A Typical Cycle • Components • Impulse and Reaction Turbines • Steam Seals • Lube Oil Systems			
4:30 - 4:50 p.m.	<ul> <li>Condenser</li> <li>Types and Principles of Operation</li> <li>Cooling Water Systems</li> <li>Condenser Performance Factors</li> <li>Condenser Auxiliaries</li> </ul>			
4:50 - 5:00 p.m.	Summary			
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2009				
7:30 – 8:00 a.m. 8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.	Continental Breakfast Course Timing Group Luncheon			
8:00 - 8:45 a.m.	Condensate and Feedwater Systems Flow Cycle • Feedwater Heaters • Low Pressure • Deaerator, High Pressure • Feedwater Heater Performance Factors • Boiler Feed Pumps			
8:45 - 9:15 a.m.	Water Treatment The Effects of Untreated Water on Operations External Treatment • Clarifying Filters and Demineralizers Internal Treatment.			
9:15 - 9:45 a.m.	Pumps and Compressors Centrifugal Pumps			

- Theory of Operation and Principal Parts
- Reciprocating and Centrifugal Air Compressors
  - Theory of Operation and Principal Parts

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### PROGRAM AGENDA THURSDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2009 (CONTINUED) 9:45 - 10:00 a.m. Instrumentation • Pressure Temperature • Flow • Water Level Turbine Supervisory Combustion Water Analysis 10:00 - 10:15 a.m. **Morning Break** 10:15 - 10:45 a.m. **Main Control Systems and Interlocks** Control • Feedwater • Combustion Temperature Turbine Interlocks Boiler • Turbine • Electrical 10:45 - 11:15 a.m. **Plant Operations Basic Operating Procedures and Principles Emergency Situations** 11:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. **Station Performance**

Measuring Efficiency Heat Rate Factors Effecting Heat Rate

12:00 - 1:00 p.m. Group Luncheon

- 1:00 1:30 p.m.
   Power Plant Electrical Primer

   Basic Electrical System Concepts
   Simple Generation and Transmission Concepts
- 1:30 2:30 p.m. Power Plant Alternating Current (AC) Generators Construction and Operating Principles of Large AC Generators Exciter Systems
- 2:30 2:45 p.m.Afternoon Break2:45 3:45 p.m.Power Plant Switchyards<br/>Power Transformers<br/>Buses
  - Bus Ducts Disconnects
- Circuit Breakers and Switchgear 3:45 - 4:30 p.m. Review
- Summary of Material Covered Final Questions and Discussion

### PROCEEDINGS

The proceedings of the seminar will be published and one copy will be distributed to each registrant at the course.

#### COURSE LOCATION

A room block has been reserved at the Hyatt Regency Chicago, 151 East Wacker Drive, Chicago, Illinois, USA 60601, for the nights of October 27-28, 2009. Room rates are \$199 single/double, plus applicable tax. Call 312-565-1234 for reservations and mention the EUCI course to get the group rate. Make your reservations prior to September 28, 2009. There are a limited number of rooms available at the course rate.

Please make your reservations early.

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