

UTILITY E-ALERT

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EUEC CONFERENCE - *EUEC Insights*

EUEC has emerged as one of the top power conferences in the world.

There were over 600 papers this year.

A much higher percentage of papers were focused on air pollution control technology than in previous years. The opening session was in one end of the exhibit hall, so there was lots of traffic. Much of the coffee break conversation was speculation about the regulations.

Doug Austin of **ICAC** believes that although there are three house committees who will hold hearings on **EPA** regulations, the impact of the new congressmen will be modest. Doug speculates that the most likely impact would be a reduction in the EPA budget.

A number of people stopped at the McIlvaine stand to obtain opinions on the fate of the Industrial Boiler and Utility MACT. McIlvaine believes that there are four potential forces at work. The Congress, which passed the present CAA is the most powerful force. EPA is merely the implementer of the wishes of Congress. The new Congress is a force but only will have a major influence if it passes new legislation. Given the many initiatives which need consideration, it is unlikely that there will be major legislative changes. The fourth force is the judiciary. When the District Court refused the 15 month extension for the Industrial Boiler MACT it demonstrated that it is and will be a power force.

McIlvaine photographed more than 130 speakers and exhibitor stand personnel. These will be posted to the free site in the coming weeks.



Dr. Prabhu Dayal, EUEC Conference Chairman introduced an impressive group of speakers including:

- **Gina McCarthy** **EPA** Assistant Administrator
- **Frank Prager**, VP **Excel Energy**,
- **Bryan Hannegan**, VP of **EPRI** and
- **Mitchell Baer**, Director of Oil and Gas, **DOE**.



Gary Elliott of **Clear Edge** and **Kevin Moss** of **Tri-Mer** explained the advantages and experience with a ceramic nonwoven filter cartridge which removes particulate and because of the catalyst on the fibers also is highly efficient in reducing NO_x. A number of glass plants in Europe have adopted the technology. A glass plant in the U.S. has recently ordered a system using these cartridges from Tri-Mer.



Steven Rees of **CleanAir Engineering** and **Carl Kamme** of **Opsis** discussed the partnership through which the remote monitors will be sold and serviced by CleanAir.



Mike Widico of **Lodge Cottrell** spoke about the effect of sorbent injection on ESP performance.



Tom Anderson of **Midwesco** described the ways to make sure you maximize energy savings with your choice of filter bags.

