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Talk on "Latest Development and Update on Biogas for Palm Oil Mills"

Organised by the Environmental Engineering Technical Division, IEM BEM Approved CPD/PDP Hours: 2 Ref No: IEM14/HQ/227/T

Date: 23 July 2014 (Wednesday)

Time: 5.30 pm - 7.30 pm

(Refreshments will be served at 5.00 pm)

Venue: TUS/C&S Lecture Room,

2nd Floor, Wisma IEM, Petaling Jaya

Speaker: Mr. B. P. Chow

SYNOPSIS

The Malaysian Government is encouraging the Palm Oil industry to reduce its carbon footprint. Therefore all Palm Oil Mills in Malaysia are required to install biogas system by 2020. Conventional biogas technology had been around for more than 20 years. However with the Feed-in-Tariff program, there is a need to develop higher efficiency Biogas system.

Anaerobic Membrane Bioreactors have been proven to be a very stable system and capable of producing more biogas when treating palm oil effluent. This would result in higher power output as well as the aerobic membrane bioreactors can be used to ensure that the final discharge is capable of meeting final effluent discharge with BOD < 20 mg/l.

Besides power generation, the biogas can be further purified to convert biogas into Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) to operate the fleet of trucks for the Oil Palm Plantation companies. This would reduce diesel consumption and thereby generate additional revenue of more than RM 9m per year for an average Mill.

BIODATA OF SPEAKER

Mr.B. P. Chow is a Chemical Engineering graduate from the University of Birmingham. He is a Fellow of the Institution of Chemical Engineers (IChemE) as well as a Chartered Engineer. Presently he is the Past Chairman of IChemE Malaysia. He had more than 35 years of working experience primarily in the Palm Oil, Water & Wastewater business. He had been instrumental in pioneering the use of anaerobic Membrane Bioreactor technology for the Palm Oil Industry as well as the conversion of Biogas into CNG.

Ir. Fan Hong Poh Chairman Environmental Engineering Technical Division, IEM

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