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General

At the 17th National Congress of the Communist Party of China (CPC) held on 15th October, 2007, Mr. Hu Jintao, the Party Secretary, delivered a report entitled: ‘Hold High the Great Banner of Socialism with Chinese Characteristics and Strive for New Victories in Building a Moderately Prosperous Society in All Respects’. In Part IV of his report, Mr. Hu stressed the need: To promote a conservation culture, essentially through an energy- and resource-efficient and environment-friendly structure of industries, pattern of growth and mode of consumption. We will have a large-scale circular economy and will considerably increase the proportion of renewable energy sources in total energy consumption. The discharge of major pollutants will effectively be brought under control, and ecological and environmental quality will improve notably. Awareness of conservation will be firmly established in the whole of society.

In Part V of his report, ‘Promoting Sound and Rapid Development of the National Economy’, he also stressed the need: To improve conservation in the areas of energy, resources, ecology and the environment, and to enhance China’s capacity for sustainable development. Adherence to the basic state policy of conserving resources and preserving the environment is crucial to the immediate interests of the population and to the survival and development of the Chinese nation. In our strategy for industrialization and modernization, we must give prominence to building a resource-conserving, environment-friendly society and must enlist the active support of every organization and every family. We will improve legislation and policies to promote the conservation of energy, resources, and our ecological and environmental heritage, and will speed up the formation of systems and mechanisms for sustainable development. We will implement a system of responsibility for conserving energy and reducing emissions. We will develop and extend advanced and appropriate technologies for conserving, substituting and recycling energy and resources and for controlling pollution. We will develop clean and renewable energy sources, protect land and water resources, and set up a scientific, rational system for...
using energy and resources more efficiently. We will develop environmental conservation industries. We will increase spending on energy and environmental conservation, with the focus on intensifying prevention and control of water, air and soil pollution and improving the living environment for both urban and rural residents. We will improve water, forestry and grassland conservancy, intensify efforts to bring desertification under control and prevent the spread of stony deserts, and promote restoration of ecosystems. We will enhance our capacity to respond to climate change and make new contributions to protecting the global climate.

In the wake of the CPC meeting, all Chinese institutions have the core task of studying the spirit of the CPC. Progress has been made in the legislation and policies to promote the conservation of energy, resources, and the ecological and environmental heritage mentioned in Mr. Wen’s report. On 28th October, the Energy Saving Law of the PRC was published, and the Circular Economy Law of the PRC was given a reading by the People’s Congress.

Our EuropElectro team will continue to track and analyze this legislation system for our industrial development.

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EU-China Project on the Protection of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR2)

A seminar sponsored by the European Commission and the Chinese Ministry of Commerce was held at the Regent Beijing Hotel (2nd floor) in Beijing on 26th November 2007. Representatives were in attendance from the European Commission, the Chinese Ministry of Commerce, and European Companies, together with relevant guests from other Chinese administrative bodies.

The seminar focused upon improved enforcement of intellectual property protection in China. The first undertaking of the IPR2 project is at the same time a flagship project for the EC delegation, and provides technical assistance to Chinese legislative, judicial, administrative and enforcement agencies and institutions. The European Commission is contributing EUR 10 million to the effort, the Chinese side EUR 5.425 million over four years.

The first task within the project is the starting-point for closer collaboration on an issue which is important to both sides. It will highlight the growing importance of trade fairs in a globalized market and will explore the potential need for concrete treatment of IP protection in the interests of assuring commercial confidence. European and Chinese experts will share their experiences and exchange best practice on the development of mechanisms for rapid dispute settlement, such as arbitration boards or tribunals during trade fairs.

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EU-China Leaders' Summit and Business Summit

The 10th EU-China Leaders' Summit and the 4th EU-China Business Summit was held in Beijing on 27th and 28th November 2007 in the Great Hall of the People. State leaders from China and the EU and a number of CEOs from multinational European and Chinese companies met together in Beijing and submitted their suggestions for further development of the bilateral relationship.

The 4th EU-China Business Summit on the evening of the 27th and on the 28th November was preceded by the Political Leaders’ Summit. This year, the topic of the EU-China Business Summit was ‘Celebrating Success, Promoting Sustainability’. The Business Summit provided recommendations to the political leaders who were expected to attend the event. This year’s Business Summit focused on making the EU-China business relationship more sustainable in the years to come. The EU-China Business Summit was organized by the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade (CCPIT) and the European Union Chamber of Commerce in China (EUCCC) at the request of the European Commission and the Ministry of Commerce of the People’s Republic of China, with the support of BUSINESSEUROPE, the EU-China Business Association (EUCBA), the Portuguese Industrial Association - Business Confederation (AIP-CE), the Confederation of Portuguese Industry
(CIP) and the Portuguese-Chinese Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCIL-C).

During the two-hour summit meeting, the two sides engaged in pragmatic and open discussion of core issues in Sino-EU relations, as emphasized by Chinese Premier Wen: the Renminbi exchange rate issue, trade imbalance, practical cooperation in the fields of climate change, energy and environmental protection.

For detailed information on the declaration, please refer to Attachment 1.

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**CCC**

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Please note:
1. With effect from the standards' date of implementation, all notified certification bodies and test laboratories must conduct conformity assessment activities in accordance with the three new versions of the standards.
2. For products which have been CCC-certified and for which complete CCC type-test reports have been issued, the owner must submit to the certification body a certificate attesting to compliance with the new standards, and also a product sample for confirmation of the additional inspection terms for the provisions in the new version of the standards which have been amended with respect to the former version. Once the product's compliance with all necessary provisions has been confirmed, the new certification is issued. Recertification must be performed between the implementation date of the new standard and the next CCC follow-up inspection date, and by 31st August 2008 at the latest. After this deadline, the CCC for product compliance with the old standard will be withdrawn.
3. Products which have been CCC-certified by adoption of old certification in the form of a CCEE, CCIB and production license but for which a complete CCC type-test report has not been issued must be inspected in accordance with the new version of the standards, and all necessary inspection reports and product descriptions completed within the new standard update certification period.

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Translation of part of new CCC implementation rules and comparison of the former and new versions are completed by EuropElectro and available to members

Following on from our report in the 4th edition of the newsletter, EuropElectro has completed comparison of the former and new versions of the following CCC implementation rules. An unofficial translation of parts of the new rules is available to members.

EuropElectro has continued to make enquiries regarding the official translation at CNCA. A CNCA official has indicated that the official translation is in process, but that a publication date cannot be announced. Should you require the English version urgently, please do not hesitate to contact us.

1. Electric Wire and Cable Categories Electric Wires & Cables (CABL) implementation rule (CNCA-01C-002:2007)
2. Low-voltage Switchgear Assembly implementation rule (CNCA-01C-010:2007)
3. Low-voltage Electrical Apparatus – Switch and Control Equipment implementation rule (CNCA-01C-
4. Installation Protective Equipment implementation rule (CNCA-01C-012:2007)
6. ELECTRIC TOOLS implementation rule (CNCA-01C-014:2007)
7. Electric Welding Machines implementation rule (CNCA-01C-015:2007)
8. Household and Similar Use Appliances implementation rule (CNCA-01C-016:2007)
9. Audio & Video Products implementation rule (CNCA-01C-017:2007)
10. Information Technology Equipment implementation rule (CNCA-01C-020:2007)
11. Lighting Electrical Appliances implementation rule (CNCA-01C-022:2007)
12. Telecommunication Terminal Equipment implementation rule (CNCA-07C-031:2007)

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RoHS

Sino-German RoHS Forum on 31st October 2007 in Nanjing

On 31st October 2007, a technology forum on the subject of "China RoHS" was held in the former imperial city of Nanjing. The forum was organized by the Ministry of Information Industry (MII) of the People's Republic of China together with the ZVEI member company Phoenix Contact GmbH & Co. KG (Blomberg) with its Chinese subsidiary in Nanjing and the ZVEI Technical Regulations and Standardization (TRS) department.

The significance of this event can be seen from the attendance of representatives from many offices and institutions of the MII. They included the Bureau of Economic System Reform and Operations, the Technology Promotion Center for Pollution Prevention of Electronics & IT Products, the China Electronics Standardization Institute (CESI), the Chinese Electronics Standardization Association (CESA), and the China Quality Management Association for Electronics Industry (CQAE).

The exceptionally good attendance, due in part to support from the China office of the European electrical industry (EuropElectro) and the Delegations of German Industry & Commerce (GIC), shows the great need for information on the part of companies within the electrical industry.

High-ranking officials from the Chinese ministries and institutes responsible for implementation of the "China RoHS" accepted the invitation to speak. Specialists from Chinese and German companies, institutes and laboratories delivered excellent talks presenting the viewpoint of industry. The ZVEI and EuropElectro described the sectoral association activity in this area. Opportunity was provided in the breaks and at the evening events for all those present to discuss important issues.

At the forum, those responsible at the MII indicated clearly that production and publication of the MII's "key products catalogue", containing information on products and substance prohibitions, would require considerably longer than the previously announced timeframe of the beginning of 2008. The period required for integration of the products from the existing product list into the current CCC procedure also remains uncertain.

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WEEE

China WEEE latest development

SEPA has announced the regulation 'Measures on E-waste Pollution Prevention and Management'. The regulation will come into force on 1st February 2008. Its focus lies upon pollution control requirements for parties conducting dismantling, recycling and disposal. (For details, please see Attachment 2.)

Two GB standards, the 'Recyclability Mark of Products and Components' and the 'Minimum Allowable Values and Targets of Recyclability and Recoverability of Products - Part 1: Refrigerators and Air Conditioners', listed in the 2007 plan for the development and revision of China GB standards, have now been made available to the public.
in draft form for comments. According to the work plan, the two standards will be completed and approved by the end of 2007. CNIS is the sponsor and is responsible for the drafting work.

These two standards will provide technical support for the Regulation of Management for Waste Electrical and Electronic Product Recycling and Treatment (Chinese WEEE), which will be issued by the State Council at a later stage.

These standards focus upon the recycling and recovery rate and labelling of electrical and electronic products, and also plastic components. The second standard sets targets for market access.

(Attachment 2)

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Internal:

EuropElectro first sectoral Low-voltage Electrical Distribution Initiative officially launched in November 2007

The EuropElectro LV Initiative is a EuropElectro sub-initiative. The sub-initiative, which is adapted to the specific interests of the LV ED field, is being funded by five European manufacturers in the low-voltage electrical distribution sector. The LV Initiative will promote the earliest possible use of IEC standards in the LV ED field in China. The Chinese expert Mr. Ou Hui An is responsible for running the EuropElectro LV Initiative and began work in EuropElectro in October 2007.

General standardization tasks are:
- To communicate information on IEC, CENELEC and European Directives to the Chinese business community
- To identify influential institutes in charge of standardization
- To establish and enhance regular contacts with these institutes
- To create a community of stakeholders in standardization within the electrical industry (EuropElectro LV Initiative members, local manufacturers, official bodies) supporting and promoting IEC standards in China

So far, the work of the LV Initiative has involved addressing the status of Chinese standards in IEC/TC64, SC17B, SC23E, SC32B. The 3rd operational committee meeting will be held on 6th Dec 2007.

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EuropElectro China RoHS Working Group inauguration announced on 30th October 2007

On 30th October, the launch meeting of the EuropElectro China RoHS Working Group and the pre-discussion meeting of the Sino-German RoHS technology forum was hosted in Nanjing by the head of EuroEpelctro, Mrs. Wang Xu. This is the first networking meeting for EuropElectro member companies since the inauguration of EuropElectro in June 2007.

The meeting was a practical event for 22 participating members, and the subject was China RoHS. The representatives asked questions concerning the China RoHS regulation and expressed their wish for EuropElectro:
- To maintain an active exchange of information with the regulator and between members.
- In particular, to organize communication of the lessons learnt from case studies, e.g concerning customs control.
- To track China RoHS CCC certification issues.
As a conclusion of the discussion at this meeting, Mrs. Wang Xu announced the inauguration of the EuropElectro China RoHS Working Group. EuropElectro’s Mrs. Wang Xu will be responsible for administration of the working group.

- The working group is to concentrate on common interests of the member companies.
- The objective of the working group is to identify how industry can comply with China RoHS, from the perspective of manufacturing.
- Representatives were invited to become members of the working group.

Membership of the working group will be open to the other EuropElectro members who did not attend this meeting. The next working group meeting will be held in mid-December 2007. Details in the form of an invitation to the meeting and the agenda will be sent. Members are welcome to submit topics of interest to EuropElectro. Telephone conferencing will be offered.

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**CEEIA Delegation visit to the ZVEI on 29th October 2007, Frankfurt**

On 29th October 2007, a delegation led by the Chinese Electrical Equipment Industrial Association (CEEIA) visited the ZVEI in Frankfurt. Thirteen experts from industry, associations and research institutes discussed issues relating to standardization, energy efficiency, environmentally responsible product design and power transmission. This visit was the first result of the closer co-operation between the ZVEI and the CEEIA: in June 2007, the two associations had signed a memorandum of understanding as a basis for closer co-operation, particularly in the area of standardization.

In the afternoon, the exchange of ideas was enhanced by a visit to a manufacturer of medium-voltage switchgear. The ZVEI member companies had expressed their willingness to allow the Chinese guests a look at the modern production arrangements for this switchgear. Contacts have thereby been forged within the context of EuropElectro by means of which particular technical issues may be addressed.

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Our new team

As head of EuropElectro, I am very proud to introduce our new colleagues at the EuropElectro office in Beijing. As of November 2007, the number of staff at EuropElectro is four. With this new professional team, we aim to be more effective for our members and to offer them powerful support for development of their businesses in China. I would like to express my best regards on behalf of our team to all members and stakeholders.

The qualifications of our colleagues are as follows:

**Mr. Li Jun**, Senior Expert in technical legislation and standardization; Assistant Head of EuropElectro

Mr. Li Jun will assume responsibility for developing the horizontal tasks of ‘China WEEE’ and ‘Energy Labelling’ at EuropElectro.

Mr. Li Jun has worked for a member company’s local subsidiary for 12 years. He is a specialist in the areas of standardization and certification of consumer products in China.

**Mr. Ou Hui An**, Senior Consultant for the Low-voltage Electrical Distribution Initiative

Mr. Ou Hui An is responsible for running the EuropElectro Low-voltage Electrical Distribution Initiative.

Mr. Ou was employed for 30 years by a renowned Chinese R&D institute. He is a well known expert in the Chinese low-voltage industry. He has participated in the drafting of relevant standards referenced in CCC and of CCC implementation rules for low-voltage assemblies.
Mrs. Ma Lin, Secretary to the Head of EuropElectro

Mrs. Ma Lin is responsible for supporting the office administration for the team.

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