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## **Tenth APLMF Meeting**

### **Kyoto 2003**

#### **Utility Meters Working Group Report**

This is the report of the Utility Meters Working Group (UMWG) which met on November 2, 2003.

### **Survey**

The APLMF Utility Meters Survey has been completed by fifteen (15) economies. Summary tables have been developed and distributed at the meeting. The responses from each economy have been edited and all these documents will be posted on the APLMF internet site over the next two months.

The economies are being asked to report changes to the APLMF secretariat and the UMWG Chairman who will ensure that the information posted on internet is updated.

### **OIML**

An update and status report on OIML activities related to utility meters was provided and discussed at the UMWG meeting. This covered the work of seven OIML technical committees or sub-committees.

The UMWG expressed overall satisfaction with the OIML work. However, it expressed disappointment on the slow progress of TC12 which latest meeting was postponed to February 2004. The UMWG is concerned that the development and completion of R46 could take up to three more years (2006).

### **Training**

In cooperation with the APLMF Training Working Group, a training seminar or workshop will be organized on electricity meters. The available training material will first be identified and then evaluated against economies training needs. This training is intended to be preparatory to future technical training once R46 is issued. It should be held in an Asian country in order to minimize costs.

It is recommended that APEC funding be sought for this training.

### **2004 Action Plan**

1. Posting of Survey Summary tables on APLMF Internet Site.
2. Posting of Survey Replies from Economies on APLMF Internet Site.
3. Update Survey information when new data is received from economies.

4. Follow OIML work related to utility meters and inform APLMF members.
5. In cooperation with the APLMF Training Working Group Chair, organize a training seminar/workshop on electricity meters.

*Gilles Vinet*                      *November 2, 2003*  
Chairman, Utility Meters Working Group  
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## **Report of the APLMF President** to the 10th Asia-Pacific Legal Metrology Forum Meeting November 2003, kyoto

APLMF aims to harmonize measurement legislative system in the Asia-Pacific region. The forum and member economies make efforts to achieve confidence in metrological control under legislation and consequently reduce friction and transaction costs in trade, through such programs as technical training, test procedures comparison, metrological standard development and other infrastructure projects. The forum membership now comprises twenty-nine legal metrology authorities from twenty-six economies.

The forum programs shall support mutual recognition arrangement among region economies to accept each other's data of trade measurements and test results concerning utility metering and regulatory standard those should be used to demonstrate their compliance with international treaty obligations with reliable measurements.

APLMF has worked closely with the APEC-SCSC (sub-committee on standards and conformance), OIML (International Organization of Legal Metrology) and other regional legal metrology organizations (WELMEC, SADCMEI, SIM, EMLMC) to develop structures for international harmonization of trade and legal measurements.

Here are APLMF developments and activities, which have taken place since the last APLMF meeting held in November 2003:

### **1. President and Secretariat: New APLMF Secretary**

Because the President tenure of office is two years, inquiry of candidacy for the APLMF President has been made to the full member economies. There have been no candidate for the new president, therefore Dr. Ooiwa is supposed to remain in office one more term.

In May 2003, the executive secretary Mr. Neda resigned and Dr. Tsuyoshi Matsumoto succeeded the post.

Present president and secretariat:

Dr. Akira Ooiwa, APLMF President

[Dr. Tsuyoshi Matsumoto, new Executive Secretary, APLMF Secretariat](#)

Ms. Ayako Taniguchi, Secretary, APLMF Secretariat