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Chairman's Report

I would like to thank all previous board members for their support and commitment through a difficult period of restructuring and wish them all well for the future. In addition thanks to all CBIP members for your patience during the past 18 months.

A significant number of changes, initiatives and the restructure has provided CBIP with a solid platform for the future for its existing members and to offer certification to a number of new and non traditional Inspection and NDT sectors of industry.

It has been CBIP aim to improve the provision of examination and certification to its members by ensuring a simple, objective, impartial, and non prejudicial competency assessment process is in place, combined with mechanisms to provide effective communications.

2008 was a year of uncertainty for CBIP, from a governance, financial and operational perspective. The previous Board was forced to make a number of difficult decisions regarding CBIP as an organisation and its future. CBIP was unstable, struggling to provide certification services, unable to effectively communicate with members, and facing financial insolvency. In addition, a number of the existing Board members indicated that they did not wish to continue on the Board.

The Board at that time chose to:

- Restructure the Governance Board - and reduce it's member numbers

- Introduce a new Constitution - with the assistance of Engineering Safety (DOL)
- Introduce a new Board member election process
- Create a new business function and focal point for members
- Revise the Standards of Proficiency

2009 presented itself with a number of difficult challenges for CBIP, but also promised to be one of significant achievement.

2009 key activities included:

- Election of a new Board
- Introduction of a Membership fee
- Introduction of a comprehensive membership, examination and certification database
- Introduce a new approvals committee
- Introduction of standard venues, invigilators, markers and moderators
- Creation of new business management and examination processes and procedures
- A drive to resolve and clear all outstanding applications and issue overdue certification.

All of these have been successfully completed and CBIP now has the foundations to provide efficient services to its members and form the basis for consolidation and continuous improvement in 2010 and for the future.

There are a number of further improvements yet to be undertaken going forward and CBIP is now well positioned to execute these.

The new Board is still in a learning and establishment phase but the individual members are already providing effective governance and providing a wealth of new ideas and meeting their accountabilities in their allocated portfolios.

It is also worth passing on special thanks to the Exam panel chairmen, the Approvals Committee and those individuals who have put in many hours of effort to ensure exams have been prepared and executed efficiently.

So, for 2010 CBIP has a bright outlook, is financially secure, and well positioned to undertake further consolidation and development. With this in mind -

2010 Key Activities Include:

- Accreditation for all disciplines to ISO 17024 and for NDT ISO 9712 (Funding allocated, Gap analysis complete, internal audit complete, and a initial desk-top audit by JASANZ to be scheduled shortly)
- A complete revision of all CBIP procedures
- Implementation of CBIP new business plan
- Automation of examination logistics, financial management and membership services
- Consolidation of the new Approvals Committee and it's associated processes
- A review of and re-establishment of CBIP committees
- More effective communications with members and interested parties (see note)
- Review and upgrade of existing practices for more efficient management of examination services
- Identification, rationalisation, verifying and securely storing NDT test pieces
- Create a new examination question databank for the Industrial Inspection disciplines
- Standard contracts and payment (as appropriate) for services rendered.
- Online application forms

Note:

CBIP has met with two key partners IANZ and NDTA with positive results, CBIP along with these partners is keen to re-establish and maintain effective relationships. (CBIP and Hera are in the process of initiating dialogue with the aim of re-establishing an effective working relationship).

Many changes and a significant amount of progress has been made during the past two years, I am positive that CBIP is well positioned both financially and operationally to meet these challenges in order to provide excellence in service, quality and communication to it's members.

Many members are now congratulating CBIP and commenting on the improvements and positive changes made, and I make it my aim to ensure that CBIP continues to develop, improve and provide its members and industry with a world class certification scheme.

I ask for your patience, continued support and assistance in 2010 to ensure that CBIP activities and initiatives continue the improvement process.

In conclusion, I would like to personally congratulate and thank the new Board, CBIP Business Manager, Approvals, Technical Advisory, Examination Committee Chairmen and individual members for their contributions, dedication and resolve to assure you as members CBIP aim to provide quality on time certification.

New Logo.

The CBIP Board has approved a new logo design that will be launched over the coming months, all CBIP documentation and official communications will be gradually upgraded with the new logo attached - watch this space

Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 2 June

1300 hours

Conference Room 2

Copthorne Hotel

42 Powderham Street

New Plymouth

*The meeting is open to all interested parties,
Financial members may vote*

Fees 2010

CBIP fees have mostly remained the same as those charged in 2009, and in some instances have reduced them. Fees have been simplified, with a single fee structure. There is no longer an administration fee.

Reimbursement

CBIP Governance Board recognises the efforts of those who support Certification services, including examination and approvals processes.

The CBIP Governance Board have approved payment at a prescribed rate for those who assist with examinations and committee. Payment may be taken by way of a credit towards examination or membership fees.

Board Vacancy

In accordance with QPM A04, 3.1 (b) (iii), CBIP announces the intention to hold an election for the vacancy of Governance Board member under the above clause.

The vacancy will occur on 28 September 2010 and nominations will be called for by 1 July 2010. The current board member, whose term of office is expiring, is eligible to for nomination.

If interested in this vacancy or you wish to make a nomination, please review the information on the CBIP website.

Members are reminded that in order to nominate or vote at this election, they must be a financial member

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Notice is given that members will be asked to vote at AGM whether they wish Board terms of office to start from September each year, or whether Board vacancies should return to AGM each year.

The September election date in 2009 was due to the delay in accepting the new Constitution.

This would require the vacancies for the next three years to be carried over for eight months from September 2010 until May 2011.

ID Photo

If you are a financial member and have not made any application to CBIP since October 2008, we will not have a photo for your ID card. If you require an ID Card please send a photo! High resolution, electronic images are acceptable.

Approvals Committee Statistics

At the inaugural Governance Board Meeting in October 2009, it was decided to review all Technical Committees as a matter of urgency. This has resulted in the establishment of a single Approvals Committee.

Generally this committee meets once a month.
From 17 December 2009 until 31 March 2010, the new committee processed 56 applications

- Coatings - 5
- CWI - 19
- Cranes - 5
- EWP - 3
- Lifts - 1
- PEI - 12
- NDT - 11

Of these 7 were conditional

- CWI - 3
- EWP - 1
- PEI - 3

Reason for conditional approval

- Reports (further required or insufficient detail) - 4
- Experience (further experience in discipline required) - 2
- Other (e.g further information required) - 1

Applications for examination or recertification

Exam applicants who have sent a fully completed application, including details of work experience, training, and at least five reports will now have their application reviewed prior to examination.

Acknowledgement letters sent to candidates will include a notification of any further information required before the Certification can be progressed.

Changed Address, Email or Employment?

Please make sure that you notify CBIP Head Office of any change of address, email or employment.

A change of address form can be sent electronically.

New Logo

Design approved by Governance Board

Management Database

The CBIP Management Database is now complete, and members are thanked for their patience over the period of development.

There have been changes to notifications such as Registration and Exam Result Notification letters.

Key Performance Indicators, part of the database system, are including with this newsletter.

Many members have sent in copies of previous certificates to assist with the task of rebuilding the Certified member's listing. This has assisted tremendously and ensures the information recorded is correct.

Incident Database

As part of the continuous improvement process, an incident database has been developed to capture all non standard activity, complaints and issues. Issues reported will be classified and those with a significant or severe rating will be investigated and results reported to Governance Board on a regular basis.

For those who raise a relevant issue, a report will be sent on close that will state what actions have been taken.

Website Development

Inspector Listing

There have been many requests for listings of inspector's on CBIP website. The current listing has been removed until the a new listing has been developed.

New development will include on-line access by inputting the Certified Members' name and unique access number. This will give the appropriate level of security required and ensure that details of Certification can only be accessed by those who have permission to do so.

DoL and IANZ will have access to the unique numbers.

On-line Forms

Applicants will soon be able to complete forms on line and send electronically. An email will be generated and supporting information can be scanned and sent in the same email.

CBIP will be moving to separate forms for each discipline to ensure the correct information is sent that is relevant to the discipline.

Board Members' and Approvals Committee Secure Website access

This is nearly complete and will be by secure access and password. It is anticipated that this will facilitate information sharing. The majority of information will be read only, further ensuring the appropriate level of security is maintained.

Examination Statistics

Graphs from recent exam rounds coming soon

Examinations end 2009

Statistics showing the average mark are included at the end of this newsletter.

Congratulations to those who achieved excellent pass marks

Highest Mark:

- CWI Paper A - 88%
- CWI Paper B - 91%
- CWI Paper C - 95%

- PEI Module 1 - 92%
- PEI Module 3 - 70%
- PEI Module 4 - 85%

- Cranes General - 92%
- Cranes A - 92%
- Cranes C - 95%

- MT L1 General - 87%
- MT L1 Specific - 81%
- MT L1 Practical - 94%

- PT L2 General - 75%
- PT L2 Practical - 97%
- PT L1 Practical - 95%

- RTw General L1 - 90%
- RTw L2 Specific - 83%
- RTw L2 Practical - 85%
- RTw L1 Practical - 97%

- UTw L2 Practical - 93%

Total number examinations

	Total	Pass	Fail
CWI	39	31	8
PEI	23	12	11
Crane	22	22	0
EWP	4	3	1
Coating	3	3	0
NDT	45	31	14
Exams with one candidate not included in above statistics			

Examinations Statistics end 2009

137 examinations for Inspectors and NDT

- 74% pass
- 26% fail

