



WALKER FORGE, INC.

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Dear Mr. Hardy:

Please find attached the Plant Engineering Committee's Year End Report for the Committee Year 2009/2010.

Of the seven stated action items for the year, and their twelve associated goals:

- Six action items were completed
- One action item was transferred to the Technical Committee
- Nine goals were met
- Three goals were not met

Thank you for the experience afforded me by the FIA in allowing me to serve the Plant Engineering Committee. I have enjoyed the personal challenges, as well as, working with dedicated Committee members, without whom, we would never have met our action items.

Should you, or the Board of Directors, have any questions with regard to the Plant Engineering Committee's 2009/2010 activities, please contact either George or me, and we will happily address them.

Respectfully submitted,

**Forging Industry Association
Plant Engineering Committee
2009 / 2010 Year End Report**

Objective:

To plan and implement educational, benchmarking, and networking opportunities which promote the exchange of ideas and information among North American forging producers, for the ultimate purpose of improving forge plant operations and efficiency.

Action Items and Goals:

1. Update and deliver the “Theory and Applications of Forging and Die Design School”, June 15 – 18, 2009

• **Goals:**

- a. Obtain “GOOD” or “EXCELLENT” approval ratings, from 90%, or better, of all surveyed attendees.

Results: Achieved, 92% of responses rated the School at Good or Excellent

- b. 90% or better, of the surveyed attendees would recommend this course to another person.

Results: Achieved, 100% of responses indicated that they would recommend the Die School course to another person.

2. Update and deliver the “Theory and Applications of Press Forging and Die Design School”, September 14 – 18, 2009

• **Goals:**

- a. Obtain “GOOD” or “EXCELLENT” approval ratings, from 90%, or better, of all surveyed attendees.

Results: Achieved, 94% of responses rated the school at good or excellent

- b. 90% or better, of the surveyed attendees would recommend this course to another person.

Results: Achieved, 100% of responses indicated that they would recommend the Press School to course to another person.

3. Restructure and deliver “Fundamentals of Ferrous Metallurgy for Forging Plant Personnel Workshop”

Results: Project discontinued by PE Committee, the Metallurgy course was originally presented by the Technical Committee. When George Mochnal retired, the PE Committee assumed responsibility for it. With Carola Sekreter, FIA’s new Technical Director coming on board, the primary responsibility for the program

has been returned to the Technical Committee. However, because the metallurgy course remains a project of interest for the PE Committee, a sub-committee was formed within the PE Committee, to work with the Technical Committee to develop, and deliver this course.

4. Update and present the “Induction Heating Workshop”, November 4, 2009

• **Goals:**

- a. Obtain “GOOD” or “EXCELLENT” approval ratings, from 90%, or better, of all surveyed attendees.

Results: Did not Achieve, only 85% of responses rated the workshop at good or excellent

- b. 90%, or better, of the surveyed attendees would recommend this course to another person.

Results: Achieved, 100% responses indicated that they would recommend the workshop to others.

5. Update the Plant Engineering Committee promotional/information flyer

- Have new design ready for distribution at the Fall Meeting of Members, October 19, 2009

Results: Achieved

6. Update the Plant Engineering five-year strategic plan

• **Goals:**

- Have the five-year strategic plan updated by January 2010.

Results: Achieved

7. Forge Fair 2010

• **Goals:**

- a. Layout floor plan January 2010

Results: Achieved

- b. Develop exhibitors presentation schedules January 2010

Results: Achieved, 60 presentation slots were developed, an increase of four over FF 2006

- c. Registered attendees: 1183 (equal to 2006)

Results: Did not achieve, FF 2010 reported 1137 registered attendees, 4% decrease

- d. Exhibitors: 123 (equal to 2006)

Results: Did not achieve, FF 2010 had 119, 3% decrease