



IG Certification Task Group
Conference Call Notes
12/19/2006

Attendees: Tina Jenkins, Chuck Anderson, Joe Jonely, John Kent, Tracy Rogers, Brad Schultz, Steve Strawn, Margaret Webb, and Jessica Ferris (NFRC Staff)

The Following Items were addressed by task group members:

I. Appointment of Task Group Vice-Chair:

- Tracy Rogers agreed to be vice-chair of the IG Certification Task Group.

II. Scope of the IG Certification Task Group:

The group agreed to the following scope for the task group –

- Develop recommendation on feasibility of requiring IG Certification as a prerequisite for NFRC certification;
- Identify the pros and cons; and
- Make a recommendation on an implementation plan

III. Development of Certification Program Participant Survey:

The group agreed that obtaining information from current program participants about which participants use certified IG units in their NFRC-certified products would be a good starting point. The group agreed that the best way to obtain this information would be to conduct a participant survey by e-mail.

Preface the survey with the following –

- NFRC is considering requiring IG Certification as a prerequisite for NFRC Certification.

Suggested Survey Questions:

1. Do you purchase IG units used in NFRC certified products from an external IG supplier? Yes/No
2. Are they third party certified? Yes/No
3. Are any of you IG units manufactured in-house? Yes/No
 - If yes, are they third party certified?
4. How many IG models do you use in NFRC-certified products (a model is usually defined by different sealant or spacer system)? Number
5. Do you have any comments regarding such a proposal?

IV. Pros and Cons

The group discussed issues that come to mind when considering IG Certification, and came up with the following list:

1. Current participant levels
2. Fees (NFRC and IG both)
3. Testing issues
4. Membership response
5. Program complexity
6. Program perception
7. Value of IG Certification
8. Industry perception of NFRC's intentions
9. DOE initiative
10. Impact to the industries such as NAMI, Keystone, ALI and IGMA

V. Next Steps:

- Staff will send out a draft of the participant survey to task group members the first week of January 2007. The task group will provide feedback over the following week, and the survey will be e-mailed to all program participants by no later than mid-January.
- The task group will reconvene via conference call in February (date TBA), and will also plan to set aside time to meet at the March Membership meeting in Austin, TX.
- The task group will plan on reporting their survey findings to the membership at the Certification SC meeting in March.

Meeting Adjourned @ 12:10 PM