



MINUTES of the 116th SANCOLD MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

Held at 10h00 on Thursday 8 November 2012 at the offices of AECOM (formerly BKS), corner of Grosvenor and Arcadia Streets, Hatfield, PRETORIA

1. OPENING and WELCOME

The Chairperson opened the meeting and in particular welcomed new MC member Mr Walther van der Westhuizen. Each member reported briefly on his current activities.

2. ATTENDANCE, APOLOGIES and QUORUM

2.1 Attendance

Mr DB Badenhorst (Chairperson)	(DB) ¹
Mr W S Croucamp	(WC)
Mr D Grant-Stuart	(DGS)
Mr K Legge	(KL)
Mr P D Pyke (Treasurer 2012)	(PP)
Dr C P R Roberts (Secretary 2012)	(Sec)
Mr I Segers Vice-Chairperson)	(IS)
Dr QHW Shaw	(QS)
Mr T Tente	(TT)
Mr D van Wyk	(DvW)
Mr W van der Westhuizen	(WvdW)

2.2 Apologies

Prof GR Basson	(GB)
Ms Michelle Blaeser	(MB)
Mr D Cameron-Ellis	(DCE)
Dr B Mwaka	(BM)

2.3 Quorum

The meeting was properly constituted. A quorum requires a 40% attendance.

3. AGENDA

3.1 Amendments

The following items were added to the Agenda:

Item 9.1	NWRS2
Item 9.2	Sancold Awards
Item 9.3	S A Young Engineers' Forum.

3.2 Adoption

The amended Agenda was adopted.

4. MIUTES OF MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING 115

4.1 Amendments

¹ Abbreviation used in minuting

- A meeting with the WRC:CEO, DB, Sec, WC and André Gorgens would be arranged before the end of the year to discuss financing; **WC/Sec**
- Appreciation was to be expressed to researcher Prof Fanie van Vuuren; **Sec**
- The flood studies report of WJR Alexander should be scanned as it is now out of print; **Sec**

Appreciation was expressed to Willie Croucamp for the excellent work.

6.4.2 Risk analysis

The Secretary would obtain a short report from Dr Chris Oosthuizen.

Sec

6.4.3 Geofabrics for Dams

KL reported on the feedback received from the ICOLD Committee in Kyoto which suggested that all geotextile applications should be covered. The SANCOLD MC **agreed** that the SANCOLD Guideline would only deal with filtration and separation and that the title of the Guideline would be *Geotextiles as filters in embankment dams*. KL would draft a suitable reply to the Chairman of the ICOLD Committee on Embankment Dams. **KL/Sec**

KL would send the Secretary a table of contents of the draft Guideline. The target date for the Guideline is December 2013. Prof Fannin of the University of British Columbia and local experts would act as SANCOLD reviewers. **KL**

6.4.5 Your Dam

KL reported on progress and participation of a number of persons. The intention was to make use of current technology and make it more interactive. KL was leading with Jan Nortje. The publication held marketing potential for SANCOLD and KL would discuss this with QS. **KL/QS**

The target date for the publication was mid-2013.

6.5 Programme Review for 2012

It was **agreed** that most items except for items 11 and 15 had been addressed in 2012. An issue which was raised was the need to engage with the “anti-dam lobby”. Persons such as Dr Guy Preston and Ms Terry Baker (individual member of SANCOLD) were identified. The following actions were identified:

- SANCOLD would request attendance at the annual conference of the International Association of Impact Assessors; **Sec**
- A session would be devoted to the topic at the SANCOLD 2013 Annual Event and a keynote speaker such as Dr Guy Preston would be requested to introduce the topic. **GB**
- The Programme 2013 would be updated bearing the above items in mind. **Sec**

6.6 SANCOLD Management Committee Election

The call for nominations had been issued and will close on 16 November 2012. PP and WvdW would undertake the audit on vote-counting. **Sec/PP/WvdW**

6.7 SANCOLD Annual Event 2013

The framework proposal by GB was discussed and the following issues arose which had to be considered further:

- The Maseru venue would severely constrain attendance from DWA members as required Ministerial approval for travel to neighbouring countries usually limited numbers to about 4 persons. Venues in South Africa such as Thaba’Nchu or even Bloemfontein were possibilities.
- The other alternative would be to hold the event in Oudtshoorn and visit the rehabilitation of the Stompdrift Dam;
- The Conference topics should include a one-day session presented by SA Young Engineers.

- Other potential topics were tailings dams, National Water Resource Strategy, NGO involvement (see para 6.5 above).
- Ash Resources had requested sponsoring opportunities and probably the WRC would again be media representative.
- In a later discussion in Agenda item 8.3 a proposal was made that the SANCOLD Annual Event should be held in either late October or early November so as to remove it from the ICOLD meeting in August.

GB would consider all these factors in the further formulation of the programme for the event.

GB

7. FINANCIAL MATTERS

7.1 Expenditure-income statement 2012 and Budget 2013

The Treasurer highlighted the Expenditure-Income Statement for 2012. The cost of proof fees for the extra Congress papers would be recovered from the authors.

Sec/Treas

The Secretary proposed that the policy regarding this matter should be reviewed by the ICOLD Board and he would pass on the information to ICOLD Vice-President Gerrit Basson.

Sec/GB

The Treasurer requested signing approval for the banking account for PP, WvdW, and IS which was **approved**.

Treas

The budget for 2013 was approved.

Membership fees for 2013 would be:

Corporate Members	R3 500-00
Individual Members	R350-00

7.2 Membership matters

Consideration was given to the application of an incentive/penalty for early/late payment of fees. It was **decided** to retain the current system.

Management Committee members were encouraged to recruit members.

MC Members

8. ICOLD ACTIVITIES

8.1 ICOLD Circular Letters

CL's 1840 to 1851 were noted and had been attended to. Important issues arising from the remaining CL's were:

- **CL 1852:** List of Important Dates: The submission for hosting ICOLD 2016 must be submitted by **15 May 2013**;
- **CL 1853:** Choice of Technical Questions for the 25th Congress (2015): SANCOLD MC would consider at the February 2013 meeting;
- **CL 1854:** World Declaration on Water Storage for Sustainable Development: Noted;
- **CL 1855 and 1856:** Attendance at Technical Committees and World Register of Dams: Would be discussed under Agenda item 8.4
- **CL 1857:** Bulletin on safe passage of Extreme Floods: WC requested insight into the Bulletin.

Sec

8.2 ICOLD 24th Congress, Kyoto, 2012

It was considered that while the event was well organised, at times the technical content was variable. The parallel sessions were advantageous.

8.3 ICOLD 81st Annual Meeting, Seattle, August, 2013

The SANCOLD delegation would be considered at the February 2013 MC Meeting.

8.4 ICOLD Committees

The new working group members (highlighted in yellow in the meeting document) were approved and would be informed. **Sec**

DGS indicated that he would hold a meeting soon and would form a Working Group for Tailings Dams. **DGS**

SANCOLD was implementing the ICOLD request in CL1855 to involve young engineers on technical committees. SANCOLD would update the World Register of Dams as per CL 1856 when the revised spread sheet was received from the Committee **Sec**

8.5 Africa 2013 (16 to 18 April 2013 Addis Ababa)

It was **agreed** that SANCOLD did not need to review the papers for Africa 2013.

8.6 African Regional Club of ICOLD

The Secretary reported that members had been informed about ICOLD's offer of sponsoring young engineers to Africa 2013; a copy of the letter would be sent to IS again. **Sec**

8.7 ICOLD Annual Meeting 2016 – Bid by SANCOLD

The SANCOLD MC members who attended the Kyoto Congress confirmed that many international delegates had expressed the wish to have the ICOLD 2016 meeting in Cape Town rather than Johannesburg. The ICOLD Board had expressed similar sentiments as relayed by GB. The Secretary proposed that he investigate this option and provide a comparative report to the MC at the February meeting. The MC **agreed**. **Sec**

Financial support had been requested from DWA and TCTA and would be required by the end of 2012. A meeting had been requested with the DG:DWA. WvdW reported that the Cabinet Submission was currently with the Minister.

The Bid in 2013 would be in the form of a combination of a Power Point presentation and video and should be prepared by April 2013. **DB/Sec**

The Exhibition held potential for fund-raising and should be marketed early on. **Sec**

9. GENERAL

9.1 NWRS 2

The MC **agreed** that SANCOLD should participate in the consultative process and also submit written comments. **Sec**

9.2 SANCOLD Awards

Refer to item 5.1.

9.3 S A Young Engineers' Forum

This item would become a standing Agenda item in future. **Sec**

IS reported that he had a list of contacts and intended broadening its scope and would inform ICOLD **IS**

A new page for the SA Young Engineers' Forum would be created on the SANCOLD website. **Sec**

10. DATE AND VENUE OF THE NEXT MEETING

10h00 Tuesday 19 February 2013 AECOM Offices (Formerly BKS), Pretoria

11. CLOSURE

The Chairperson thanked the attendees for their inputs and closed the meeting at 13:30.

CHAIRPERSON

Date

SECRETARY

Date