

Integrity of Equipment and Structures Summary of the 49th Accreditation Advisory Committee Meeting

This meeting took place on 20th October 2022 in NATA's office at 2-6 Railway Pde, Camberwell, Victoria, 3124.

Committee Membership

Since the last meeting in November 2020:

- Peter Grealy has retired from the Committee;
- Hamid Fard and Mark Boot were appointed as Committee members by the NATA Board in December 2020 and March 2021 respectively.

Reports from Members

- Several big infrastructure projects over the next few years may pose some issues with sourcing qualified NDT personnel.
- Facilities are being requested to test welds by eddy current techniques through conductive coatings. A precedent was established several years ago and the Committee are considering including this to supplement the eddy current testing guidance in the *Specific Accreditation Guidance: Infrastructure and Asset Integrity - Technical Issues in NDT*.

Stakeholder Engagement

- NATA is sponsoring the 16th Asia Pacific Conference for Non-Destructive Testing 2023 being held in Melbourne in 28 February to 3 March 2023. Ms Jennifer Evans will be presenting a keynote address at the opening session of the conference.
- NATA will continue to engage with industry bodies, laboratory quality networks, regulators and asset owners.

Miscellaneous Discussion

- The revision of the Specific Application Criteria Appendix G *NDT Remote Work Locations* was discussed and a final version is being prepared for public comment.
- An ad-hoc working group is developing criteria for performance checks on CR (Computed Radiography) and DR (Digital Radiography) systems.

Tentative date for the next meeting is June/July 2023.