

## CIEP BODY OF KNOWLEDGE AND STUDY GUIDE Preparation for the CIEP Certification Exam



The CIEP Certification Exam is a four-hour open book exam. The examination questions are based on the Body of Knowledge listed below. Because of the diversity and background and experience of Industrial Energy Auditors, the examination has 11 different subject sections, all of which are included in the exam. You must bring a hand-held calculator to the exam as the CIEP exam does not allow computers, tablets, or cell phones to be used during the test.

It is highly recommended that you review the complete Study Guide and answer the 21 Exam Review questions included in the Study Guide to determine your readiness for the exam.

**The CIEP Examination contains the following subjects:**

Body of Knowledge		Percent of Exam
1	Fundamentals to Industrial Energy Audits and Energy Management Systems	5 - 7%
2	Instrumentation and Controls	6 - 8%
3	Energy Investigation Support Tools	6 - 8%
4	Fuels, Furnaces, and Fired Equipment Basics	8% - 12%
5	Plant Water Systems	6% - 8%
6	Heat Exchange Systems	8% - 12%
7	Boiler and Steam Systems	10% - 14%
8	Electric Motors & Drives	8% - 12%
9	Pump Systems	8% - 12%
10	Fan Systems	7% - 11%
11	Compressed Air Systems	8% - 12%

## CERTIFIED INDUSTRIAL ENERGY PROFESSIONAL (CIEP) EXAM

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The following is a list of the subjects for the CIEP exam. Each subject covers several topics. Following the list of topics is a suggested reference with chapter numbers. The primary reference is the [Industrial Energy Systems Handbook](#), 1<sup>st</sup> Edition, by Albert Williams. The reference book is available through the [AEE eLibrary](#), which is a great resource for accessing searchable content as well as highlighting and taking notes. *Digital books cannot be accessed during the certification exam.*

The exam will: be open book, four hours, and have 100 multiple choice questions to answer. There are 11 sections listed below from which questions mainly are drawn.

### BODY OF KNOWLEDGE: STUDY GUIDE TOPICS & REFERENCES

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#### **1 Fundamentals to Industrial Energy Audits and Energy Management Systems**

- 101 Define the objectives of energy management
- 102 Awareness on climate change & clean energy
- 103 Conceptualize the need for industrial energy management
- 104 Understand energy basics
- 105 Understand energy systems efficiency
- 106 Understand energy balance
- 107 Overview of the energy audit types
- 108 Overview of the ISO50002 energy audit standard
- 109 Overview of the ISO50001 energy management systems standard
- 110 Develop an energy review, baseline, and energy performance indicators

REF: Williams, **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook**, Chapters 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6

#### **2 Instrumentation and Controls**

- 201 Understand the basic process and concepts of control systems
- 202 Determine the types of control systems
- 203 Identify field input elements
- 204 Identify field output elements
- 205 Understand control valves, control algorithms, and control technologies
- 206 Define energy information systems
- 207 Identify Energy Efficiency Measures (EEMs) to enhance instrumentation and control system effectiveness

REF: Williams, **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook**, Chapter 7

### 3 Energy Investigation Support Tools

- 301 Consider industrial safety
- 302 Understand electrical metering equipment and data loggers
- 303 Understand combustion metering
- 304 Understand temperature metering
- 305 Understand leak detectors
- 306 Understand pressure metering
- 307 Understand flow metering (velocity, differential pressure, displacement, open flow)
- 308 Understand solar PV metering
- 309 Understand building metering (IAQ, humidity, building envelope)

REF: Williams, **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook**, Chapter 8

### 4 Fuels, Furnaces, and Fired Equipment Basics

- 401 Differentiate fuel types
- 402 Define heat transfer
- 403 Understand furnace types
- 404 Test furnace efficiency
- 405 Describe fired heater construction and components
- 406 Understand fuel train construction and components
- 407 Describe burner systems and combustion
- 408 Adjust fuel air ratio
- 409 Minimize flaring
- 410 Identify EEMs on furnaces and fired equipment

REF: Williams, **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook**, Chapter 9

### 5 Plant Water Systems

- 501 Establish water context and the need for water treatment
- 502 Understand basics and types of water treatment
- 503 Understand reverse osmosis system basics
- 504 Evaluate cooling towers and its water loss
- 505 Understand ion exchange in steam systems
- 506 Overview industrial water uses (Oil & gas, food & beverage, mining, construction, forestry, pulp & paper)
- 507 Compare water desalination methods and its energy consumption
- 508 Identify water efficiency measures on filtration, cooling towers, and operations

REF: Capehart, Turner, and Kennedy, **Guide to Energy Management**, Chapter 15

## 6 Heat Exchange Systems

- 601 Define heat exchanger basics and design
- 602 Identify main heat exchangers types and its applications
- 603 Understand heat recovery
- 604 Assess heat exchange fouling
- 605 Identify EEMs on heat exchangers and its components

REF: Williams, **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook**, Chapter 10

## 7 Boiler and Steam Systems

- 701 Comprehend fundamentals to steam systems and boiler types
- 702 Understand steam properties and use saturated and superheated steam tables
- 703 Compare fuel heating values
- 704 Determine boiler losses (shell, blowdown, stack)
- 705 Calculate and improve combustion efficiency
- 706 Assess boiler blowdown
- 707 Evaluate deaerators
- 708 Audit the distribution system, steam traps, flash steam, and steam leaks
- 709 Understand the basics and the types of cogeneration
- 710 Compare CHP technologies
- 711 Understand conventional power generation cycles
- 712 Understand steam turbines and its components
- 713 Understand distributed generation and smart grids
- 714 Identify EEMs on boilers, steam systems, and turbines

REF: Williams, **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook**, Chapter 11

## 8 Electric Motors and Drives

- 801 Understand electrical fundamentals (induction, electromagnets, powerfactor)
- 802 Understand electric motor basics, types, and construction
- 803 Comprehend electric motor nameplate data (Frame size, kW, class, SF, Volt, etc.)
- 804 Evaluate motor efficiency and efficiency classes
- 805 Evaluate losses in motors
- 806 Understand motor drives and speed control
- 807 Identify EEMs in motors

REF: Williams, **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook**, Chapter 12

## 9 Pump Systems

- 901 Establish pump system fundamentals
- 902 Differentiate pump classifications and pump types
- 903 Understand pump system components (impellers, casings, bearings, seals, piping, controls)
- 904 Calculate delivered power, total head and efficiency of a pump
- 905 Calculate total head, friction head, static head, velocity head
- 906 Determine distribution losses
- 907 Analyze pump and system performance curves
- 908 Analyze pump in series and in parallel
- 909 Identify pump cavitation, its causes, and remedies
- 910 Calculate Net Positive Suction Head available
- 911 Establish pump maintenance and reliability aspects
- 912 Identify EEMs on pump operation, maintenance, and control

REF: Williams, **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook**, Chapter 14

## 10 Fan Systems

- 1001 Establish fan system fundamentals and components
- 1002 Differentiate fan types and their pros and cons
- 1003 Apply fan types to its optimal application regarding impellar efficiency and dust loading
- 1004 Analyze fan and system performance curves
- 1005 Understand damper types and its impact on fan system performance
- 1006 Compare fan controls methods
- 1007 Calculate the effect of variable flow by using the fan/affinity laws
- 1008 Establish fan maintenance practices
- 1009 Identify low cost, retrofit, and maintenance EEMs on fan systems

REF: Williams, **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook**, Chapter 13

## 11 Compressed Air Systems

- 1101 Establish compressed air system fundamentals
- 1102 Understand compressed air
- 1103 Understand compressor types and their applications
- 1104 Analyze flow capacity control
- 1105 Apply multiple compressors and correct sizing
- 1106 Understand air treatment, distribution, and storage
- 1107 Measure leaks and perform leakage tests
- 1108 Identify and reduce artificial demand
- 1109 Identify and reduce inappropriate use
- 1110 Identify EEMs on compressed air supply, treatment, and demand

REF: Williams, **Industrial Energy Systems Handbook**, Chapter 15

## EXAM REVIEW QUESTIONS (Sample Only)

1. A system fed by a pump has a static head of 3m and a friction head of 10m at a flow of 100 m<sup>3</sup>/h. What is the electrical power consumption of the pump system at a flow of 60m<sup>3</sup>/h? The pump is driven directly and at 60 % flow the motor efficiency is 91% and the pump efficiency is 78%.
  - A. 1.1 kW
  - B. 1.5 kW
  - C. 2.7 kW
  - D. 5.2 kW
2. Modulating (throttling) inlet control allows the output of a compressor to be varied to meet flow requirements. Throttling is usually accomplished by closing the inlet valve, thereby restricting inlet air to the compressor. This control method:
  - A. Can be used on all kind of compressors.
  - B. Cannot be used on reciprocating or lubricant-free rotary screw compressor.
  - C. Can be used on centrifugal compressors.
  - D. B and C.
  - E. Can only be used on lubricant-injected rotary screw compressors
3. A natural-gas fired boiler produces 1.4 kg / s of steam at 1 bar, 250°C. Calculate the power savings from returning the condensate to the boiler (a study shows that 70 % can be recovered) as feed water. Incoming makeup water temperature is 15°C and boiler efficiency is 80 %. Assume condensate is saturated water at 1.0 bar.
  - A. 434 kW
  - B. 996.3 kW
  - C. 1 417.5 kW
  - D. 1 996.3 kW
4. Calculate the percentage of blow-down for a boiler that has an allowable limit of 500 ppm of impurities and uses feed water with 10 ppm of impurities.
  - A. 0.6%
  - B. 1.2%
  - C. 2.0%
  - D. 3.8%
  - E. 4.0%
5. If electricity is selling for \$0.08 per kilowatt-hour and is used for electric heating with an efficiency of 100%, what is the equivalent price of natural gas per GJ if it can be burned with an efficiency of 80%?
  - A. \$8.00 /GJ
  - B. \$15.10 /GJ
  - C. \$17.77 /GJ
  - D. \$21.20 /GJ
  - E. \$24.30 /GJ

6. An industrial plant uses 500 kilolitres of no. 6 oil in the month of June (calorific value 41.72MJ per litre). The electrical equipment in the plant reaches a maximum demand of 15 MW. The monthly load factor is 0.78. The plant produces 30500 tons in that month. Calculate the overall energy intensity.
- 0.68 GJ/ton
  - 0.99 GJ/ton
  - 1.68 GJ/ton
  - 1.96 GJ/ton
7. The energy audit identifies in quantitative terms:
- How and where energy enters the facility, department, system or piece of equipment
  - Where it goes and how it is used
  - Any variances between inputs and uses
  - How it can be used more effectively or efficiently
  - All of the above
8. In a DDC control system distributed processing means
- the algorithms for central control are located with the host computer
  - the network carries the central station commands to the individual control panels for execution
  - the decision-making and control process is largely handled by the local control panel
  - All of the above
9. What is the flow rate of 16 °C water through a control valve with a flow coefficient of 0.01 and a pressure difference of 100 kPa?
- 0.1 LPS
  - 0.2 LPS
  - 0.4 LPS
  - 0.6 LPS
10. In selecting a control valve for a chilled water coil which of the following will generally be true?
- The valve will be slightly smaller than the coil connection size
  - The pressure drop for CV calculation will be about 27-35 kPa
  - The valve will be either a ball or globe type
  - All are true
  - None are true
11. Which of the following equipment can be used to conduct a steam trap operation audit?
- Infrared pyrometer
  - Stethoscope
  - Ultrasonic leak detector
  - Thermocouple
  - All the above

12. In operating a boiler with dual fuel capability, which is the lowest cost of fuel given the following: Natural gas \$4.00/GJ; efficiency = 92%. Fuel oil \$123/ton; efficiency = 88% (42,000 kJ/kg)
- A. Natural gas
  - B. Fuel oil
13. Which factor(s) is considered an essential parameter in selecting a waste heat device?
- A. Amount and type of contaminant in discharge fluid
  - B. Chemical composition
  - C. Flow Rate
  - D. All of the above
14. Determine the water saved per annum if you replace 50 standard shower head with 50 flow rate of 20 liters per minutes, with a water-efficient shower head with a flow rate of 10 liters per minute in a hotel. Assume that the average person showers for 7 minutes and that the hotel is at full capacity for 200 days of the year.
- A. 285.71 litres
  - B. 2 000 litres
  - C. 14 000 litres
  - D. 25 550 litres
  - E. None of the above
15. Cleaning the heat exchange surfaces on boiler tubes will result in
- A. Reduced stack temperature
  - B. Increased O<sub>2</sub>
  - C. A reduction in the steam to coal ratio
  - D. None of the above
16. Which of the following heat exchanger types is most likely to allow cross contamination between heat exchange fluids?
- A. Shell & tube
  - B. Heat pipe
  - C. Heat wheel
  - D. Recuperator
17. What is the overall efficiency of the co-generation plant described below:
- Heat in = 1000 kW  
Electricity generated = 200 kW  
Thermal energy = 600 kW
- A. 20%
  - B. 40%
  - C. 60%
  - D. 80%
  - E. 100%



18. How does steam injection into a gas turbine affect the operation?
- A. Increases thermal efficiency
  - B. Reduces NO<sub>x</sub>
  - C. Increases NO<sub>x</sub>
  - D. A and B
  - E. A and C
19. An automotive shock manufacturer has been approached by a cogeneration developer who claims that they can reduce the plants' energy costs. They plan to install a 150 kW packaged cogeneration system with the following specifications listed below:
- Output: 150 kW<sub>e</sub>
  - Electrical Efficiency: 30 %
  - Total Efficiency: 75 %
  - Fuel Cost: \$ 5 / GJ
  - Current electric Cost: \$ 0.20 / kWh
  - Existing boiler efficiency: 85 %
  - Hot Water Usage of centre: 100 000 litres / day (19 °C)

What is the hourly fuel consumption in GJ / hr?

- A. 1.8 GJ/h
  - B. 2.3 GJ/h
  - C. 4.3 GJ/h
  - D. 12.3 GJ/h
  - E. 23 GJ/h
20. Five bucket steam traps are stuck open in your facility. They all exhaust to the drain. If LPG gas for the boiler costs \$ 2 / kg and your steam system is 78 % efficient, what is the cost of these malfunctioning steam traps per year? Each trap has a 2.5 mm orifice. The steam line pressure is 690 kPa.
- A. \$22 489 / yr
  - B. \$56 500 / yr
  - C. \$110 000 / yr
  - D. \$220 489 / yr
  - E. \$224 890 / yr
21. Cosine  $\phi$  correcting capacitors may be located:
- A. At the inductive load
  - B. At load control centres
  - C. At the primary transformer (customer side)
  - D. All of the above
  - E. A & B only

Answer Key:

- 1- A
- 2- D
- 3- A
- 4- C
- 5- C
- 6- C
- 7- E
- 8- C
- 9- A
- 10- D
- 11- E
- 12- B
- 13- D
- 14- E
- 15- A
- 16- C
- 17- D
- 18- D
- 19- A
- 20- C
- 21- D

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