“DESIGN TOOLS AND PRACTICES TO IMPROVE ENERGY EFFICIENCY” WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF THE NOV. 6 TEXAS INDUSTRIAL ENERGY MANAGEMENT FORUM, 4-6 pm, Crowne Plaza West I-10 Hotel. Plant modifications present an opportunity to engage your contractor to help you improve throughput, reduce your energy intensity and costs, and upgrade infrastructure. This panel discussion will look at the conceptual design process from several viewpoints: the end-user (LyondellBasell), the E&C firm (KBR) and a specialist consultant (Aspentech). Learn how you can get the most out of this engagement by tapping the resources of the experts and incorporating energy efficiency into your specifications. There is no charge for the Forum but advance registration is requested so that we have adequate facilities. PLEASE NOTE THE LOCATION IS IN WEST HOUSTON NEAR I-10. Register on line at http://texasiof.ces.utexas.edu/tiof/energyforum110608.asp

INTERNATIONAL ENERGY MANAGEMENT STANDARD DEVELOPMENT PROCESS LAUNCHED. Industry representatives are encouraged to participate in the development of an International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 50001 working draft. ISO 50001 will establish a framework for industrial plants, commercial facilities, and corporations to manage energy. The working draft emphasizes the need to ensure compatibility with the existing suite of ISO management systems standards such as ISO 9001 for quality management and ISO 14001 for environmental management. The energy management standard is being developed by ISO project committee PC 242, which met for the first time September 8-10, 2008, in Washington, DC. Industry feedback is facilitated by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) U.S. Technical Advisory Group. Contact Deann Desai at 770-605-4474 to get involved. http://www.iso.org/iso/pressrelease.htm?refid=Ref1122

DOE AND TEXAS IOF LAUNCH PILOT PROJECT ON PLANT ENERGY EFFICIENCY CERTIFICATION. Through October 2009, energy experts will be working with staff from five manufacturing plants in Texas to test the components of a proposed national plant energy-efficiency certification program. You can read more about the program at www.SuperiorEnergyPerformance.net