STATEMENT OF POLICY

The International District Heating Association represents those companies and individuals engaged in the concept of supplying thermal energy in the form of steam, hot water, and chilled water for heating, cooling and process use in organized communities. It represents the industry throughout the United States and Canada, and has affiliates throughout the world.

The membership is involved in and greatly concerned with the most efficient use of energy, the planning and development of central cities and other high density areas, the conservation and encouragement of investment in the industry, and the protection of the environment in an intelligent and rational manner.

The IDHA, by the very nature of the industry, supports clean air and protection of the urban sector because these efforts are best achieved by central energy distribution methods. It is opposed to an emotional atmosphere in environmental matters resulting in unnecessarily costly, constrictive or ambiguous governmental controls. It supports safety programs that are proven concepts with economically justified benefits.

The Association’s objectives are to collect, coordinate and disseminate ideas and information on efficient methods of producing, distributing, marketing and utilizing central energy systems, and on the accounting and administrative methods employed in the industry; to advance knowledge and learning, and to stimulate invention and research; and to cooperate with other organizations and agencies by interchange of ideas and information.
Conferences on District Heating in Europe

April 6-9, 1976
Warsaw, Poland
Third International District Heating Convention

Registration information may be obtained from the IDHA Office.
Authors of papers from approximately 15 countries will present reports on four main themes:
- Role of district heating and heat supply in relation to the world fuel and power situation
- Development of district heating from the viewpoint of protection of the environment
- Methods of combined heat and power production
- Locating district heating distribution centers to give the optimum efficiency

On April 9, the final day of the Conference, visits have been planned to some nearby district heating installations.

October 4-7, 1976
Copenhagen, Denmark
International Total Energy Congress

Three days of technical sessions, plus visits to district heating installations in Denmark and neighboring countries.
A general call for papers has gone out, and the subjects for discussion will include:
- Legislative framework for the promotion of district heating
- Role of combined heat and power production as a counter to energy cost inflation
- Transport of heat and distribution to consumers
- Nuclear district heating and process heat supply
- Diesel and gas turbine total energy systems
- Incineration of refuse and design of systems
- Role of heat pumps

Eric Jeffs, Editor of Energy International Magazine, one of the original organizers of this Congress and now working on plans for the program, has expressed the hope that American authors will support the Congress. IDHA Members, in particular, have been invited to participate. Please contact the IDHA Office, if you wish to be kept advised about any phase of this conference: instructions for authors, registration, etc.

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(Translation of Mr. Visseq's Letter on Page 13.)
28 August, 1975

Dear Mr. Clymer,

I thank you for your letter of July 15, 1975, and for your best wishes for the success of the UNICHAL Congress next September.

I am quite sorry that no one will represent your Association nor be able to come to Paris.

I hope that other occasions will present themselves in the future for tightening the bonds between IDHA and UNICHAL.

I am in full agreement with your kind proposal of having me, acting on behalf of you, the IDHA President, to read your official message from the podium at the opening of the Congress, and to mention the aims and actual problems of IDHA, which I will pass along to all the attendees at the Congress.

Please accept, dear Mr. Clymer, this expression of my best wishes.

A. Visseq
President of UNICHAL

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