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NOVEMBER 11, 1961

MR. WILLIAM J. HANNA, CHAIRMAN
DENVER SECTION - AIEE
DEPARTMENT OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING
UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO
BOULDER, COLORADO

DEAR MR. HANNA:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF OCTOBER 31ST IN WHICH YOU EXPRESS YOUR PLEASURE AT THE PROSPECT OF COMBINING AIEE AND IRE. I AM GETTING SIMILAR REACTIONS FROM OTHER SECTIONS AND FEEL VERY ENCOURAGED BECAUSE OF THE VERY ENTHUSIASTIC SUPPORT WHICH THIS MOVE IS RECEIVING.

WE HAVE A REAL PROBLEM GETTING OUT TWO-THIRDS OF THE VOTE BUT I AM COMING TO THE REALIZATION THAT THIS CAN BEST BE DONE BY THE SECTIONS. IN DUE TIME THROUGH LINES OF ORGANIZATION YOU WILL RECEIVE MATERIAL TO HELP MEET THE TWO-THIRDS VOTE WHICH IS REQUIRED UNDER THE STATE LAWS OF NEW YORK INVOLVING MERGERS OF CORPORATIONS. FROM YOUR LETTER I KNOW THAT I CAN COUNT ON THE DENVER SECTION TO PRODUCE THE NECESSARY MAJORITY.

THANK YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR ENCOURAGEMENT IN THIS MOST IMPORTANT ENDEAVOR IN THE UNIFICATION OF THE ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING PROFESSION.

CORDIALLY AND SINCERELY,

PRESIDENT

N. S. HIBSHMAN
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NOVEMBER 11, 1961

MR. J. STUART JOHNSON, DEAN
COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING
WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY
DETROIT 2, MICHIGAN

DEAR MR. JOHNSON:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF OCTOBER 27TH AND YOUR ENCOURAGEMENT BY WAY OF YOUR ENDORSEMENT OF THE AIEE-IRE CONSOLIDATION.

WE WILL NEED ALL THE HELP WE CAN GET TO OBTAIN A TWO-THIRDS MAJORITY OF AIEE VOTING MEMBERS IN ORDER TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF NEW YORK STATE LAWS ON MERGERS OF CORPORATIONS. IT IS NOT TOO SOON TO START TALKING ABOUT GETTING OUT THE VOTE FOR THIS PURPOSE.

WE ARE MAKING REAL PROGRESS THROUGH THE COMMITTEES WHICH ARE STUDYING THIS MATTER AND I FEEL A VERY HEALTHY AND ENTHUSIASTIC ATTITUDE ON BOTH SIDES WHICH AUGERS WELL FOR CONSUMMATING THIS MOVE BY JANUARY 1, 1963.

CORDIALLY AND SINCERELY,

PRESIDENT

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NOVEMBER 10, 1961

MR. P. G. WALLACE, VICE PRESIDENT
DISTRICT 15 - AIEE
TEXAS POWER & LIGHT COMPANY
BOX 6331
DALLAS 22, TEXAS

DEAR P. G:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF NOVEMBER 6TH IN WHICH YOU REPORT THE FINE ATTITUDE OF THE DISTRICT 15 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND THE STUDENT BRANCH COMMITTEE TOWARD THE PROPOSED MERGER OF AIEE AND IRE. THIS IS VERY REASSURING AND I HOPE THAT WE CAN COME UP WITH A SUITABLE PLAN TO CONSUMMATE THIS CONSOLIDATION BY JANUARY 1, 1963.

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR GOOD OFFICES IN KEEPING DISTRICT 15 IN THE VERY ENTHUSIASTIC AND PROGRESSIVE STATE AS AN IMPORTANT DISTRICT IN THE AIEE COMPLEX. IT IS REASSURING TO HAVE THE INTEREST OF DEVOTED MEN LIKE YOURSELF GUIDING THE AFFAIRS OF OUR DISTRICTS.

CORDIALLY AND SINCERELY,

PRESIDENT

N. S. HIBSHMAN
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W.H. CHASE

NOVEMBER 10, 1961

MR. G. PHILIP STOUT
P.O. Box 4568
BALTIMORE 6, MARYLAND

DEAR MR. STOUT:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF NOVEMBER 6TH IN WHICH YOU POINT TO THE HIGH DEGREE OF COOPERATION BETWEEN AIEE AND IRE IN THE MARYLAND SECTION. I WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE YOU TO PROCEED WITH YOUR PLANS. YOUR ACTION PARALLELS THAT OF OTHER SECTIONS AND IS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE FINE ATTITUDE WE ARE EXPERIENCING IN THE AIEE-IRE CONSOLIDATION.

IN THE PAST, THERE HAVE BEEN JOINT MEETINGS OF STUDENT BRANCHES, SECTIONS, AND TECHNICAL CONFERENCES AND THIS HAS CREATED A GROUND SWELL WHICH SHOULD STAND US IN GOOD STEAD WHEN IT IS TIME TO VOTE ON THE MERGER. THIS WHOLE MOVEMENT WAS REALLY STARTED IN THE GRASS ROOTS AND I THINK WE SHOULD DO EVERYTHING TO ENCOURAGE THIS HIGH DEGREE OF COOPERATION SO THAT THERE WILL BE A COMMON UNDERSTANDING EVEN BEFORE THE MERGER TAKES PLACE.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ENCOURAGING LETTER. I AM VERY HAPPY THAT COMMITTEES FOR BOTH AIEE AND IRE ARE WORKING ENTHUSIASTICALLY AND HARMONIOUSLY ON THIS MATTER WITH THE HOPE TO CONSUMMATE THIS CONSOLIDATION BY JANUARY 1, 1963.

CORDIALLY AND SINCERELY,

PRESIDENT

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November 22, 1961

Mr. Warren H. Chase
Ohio Bell Telephone Co.
750 Huron Road
Cleveland 15, Ohio

MERGER MEETING DECEMBER 12-13

Dear Warren:

This is to report what I have done in connection with our conversation yesterday.

I have reserved Room No. 2 on the 10th floor of the Engineers Club for dinner at six o'clock Tuesday evening, December 12, 1961 with the understanding that there will be eight for dinner. That room is capable of accommodating as many as twenty or twenty-five. They, perhaps, would have preferred to give you Room No. 5 which is the small room near the elevators, but I don't think it is a very attractive room. It will, however, seat eight comfortably enough. As for the menu, it would be desirable to indicate what you want a few days before the event.

I talked to Simon Present about the UET Agreement and the Library Agreement which binds AIEE to live in the UET Building and support the library. He is going to study these documents again with special reference to the obligations implied for the new consolidated organization. I don't know how the IRE people will feel about the necessity for maintaining headquarters here and paying about fifty cents a member to the support of this library. It is, of course, an attractive prospect for the UET and could bring in upwards of another \$50,000 for the library in addition to the rent for the office space occupied. A quick reading of the Founders Agreement indicates that we are obligated to "maintain our principle offices in the building ...". I think there is no obligation to have all of your operations in the building. I am enclosing here copies of these agreements for your file. Simon Present will be prepared to interpret the agreements and to brief you on their meaning before your meeting of December 12.

I have reserved the west half of the Board Room for December 13; but if you prefer to use my office, you are, of course, entirely welcome to do so.

Enclosed is the first page of the Section 8 of the New York Times for Sunday, November 19, with a story and pictures of the new building.

Cordially yours,

N. S. Hibshman
Executive Secretary

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November 24, 1961

Mr. L. Swift, Chairman
Montreal Section, AIEE
Canadian Hoosier Engg. Co., Ltd.
340 Cremazie Blvd. West
Montreal, Que., Canada

Dear Mr. Swift:

We have your letter of November 21 addressed to President Chase and are sending you under separate cover eight (8) copies of the letter of November 2 regarding the proposed AIEE-IRE merger and enclosure.

Very truly yours,

N. S. Hibshman
Executive Secretary

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November 21st, 1961

Mr. W.H.Chase, President
American Institute of Electrical Engineers
345 East 47th St.
New York 17, N.Y.

Proposed AIEE-IRE Merger

Dear Sir:-

Further to your letter of November 2nd enclosing the text for the "page one" story which will appear in the December issue of Electrical Engineering on the above-mentioned subject, would it be possible to secure eight additional copies of your letter and the article in question.

The reason for this request is that I intend discussing this important subject at our next Executive Meeting which is slated for the beginning of December, and I do think it important for all members of the Executive Committee to study the importance of this proposal prior to the Meeting.

As requested in your letter our reply should reach you by mid-December at the latest.

Thanking you for your attention to this matter, I am,

Yours very truly,

L. Swift, Chairman
Montreal Section

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Address reply to:
340 Cremazie West
Montreal, Que.

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CHEMICAL INDUSTRY COMMITTEE (Industry Division)

November 27, 1961

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Address Reply to

Mr. R. W. Scott
Crouse-Hinds Company
Syracuse 1, New York

Mr. W. H. Chase
American Institute of
Electrical Engineers
345 East Forty-Seventh Street
New York 17, New York

Proposed AIEE-IRE Merger

Dear Mr. Chase:

In your letter of November 2, you asked for comments regarding the proposed AIEE-IRE merger.

Attached are copies of letters from J. C. Norton, Vice-Chairman of the Chemical Industry Committee, R. F. Shumar, Chairman of the Chemical Processes Subcommittee and F. M. Baxandall, Chairman of the Electrochemical Processes Subcommittee. You may find these comments of interest.

Sincerely yours,

R. W. Scott
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Chairman Chemical Industry
Committee, AIEE

Att.

P.S. Also attached is a copy of a letter from B. Husock, Chairman of the Corrosion & Cathodic Protection Subcommittee.



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Address Reply to B. Husock
Harco Corp.
4600 E. 71st St.
Cleveland 25, Ohio

Mr. R. W. Scott
Crouse-Hinds Co.
Syracuse 1, N.Y.

Subject: Proposed AIEE-IRE Merger

Dear Dick:

Thank you for your letter dated Nov. 8, 1961 with which you enclosed a copy of a letter dated Nov. 2 from W. H. Chase regarding the proposal to merge AIEE & IRE.

I am certainly not familiar with all of the AIEE activities, and I have no knowledge at all about the activities of IRE. Therefore, it would be presumptuous of me to make any comment concerning the proposed merger. However, it would appear to me that there is a danger in such a merger in that the resultant organization would become a very unwieldy group. Although both groups are concerned with electricity and although there may be a certain degree of overlap in many areas, from what I can tell from the background of these organizations, it seems that AIEE is based on the power industry where IRE is based on electronic industry. Therefore, in addition to the problem of size, there is the problem of creating common interests and goals among the membership.

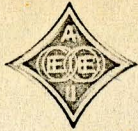
I assume that there are many more problems which have to be resolved before this merger is effected, and the problems that I have indicated may be just some of the more minor ones. However, the IRE is a noble one and I certainly wish the people who are working toward this merger, success.

Very truly yours,

B. Husock

B. Husock, Chairman
Corrosion & Cathodic Protection
Sub-Committee

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Address Reply to

November 16, 1961


Mr. R. W. Scott
Crouse-Hinds Company
Syracuse 1, New York

Subject: Proposed AIEE-IRE Merger

Dear Dick:

I have always been an advocate of the AIEE-IRE Merger as I believe that we need each other to bridge a widening gap in technical know-how.

Very truly yours,


J. C. Norton
Vice-Chairman

JCN/mtg



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Address Reply to Engr. & Constr. Dept.
The Dow Chemical Co.
Midland, Michigan

November 16, 1961

Mr. R. W. Scott
Crouse Hinds Co.
Syracuse 1, N. Y.

Dear Dick:

Your request for comments on Mr. Chase's letter concerning the proposed AIEE-IRE merger moves me to make the following comments:

We should take a long look at any move which would combine us with a society having lower membership standards than our own unless theirs can be raised. In fact, if the organization is to be changed, we should perhaps consider raising our own standards while trying to combine the best features of both groups. Being the largest institute in the world, to me, is a dubious distinction. It could imply having the lowest membership qualifications.

I was never in favor of creating the AIEE Affiliate grade. The IRE Associate grade which is comparable, or perhaps even lower in qualifications, constitutes a much larger percentage of the total membership. Evidently their student branches include some at institutions not too well recognized.

I feel that we should move slowly in promoting shows and exhibits such as IRE holds. Their startling attendance figures are well padded by visitors at these shows.

I am inclined to disagree with Mr. Chase's implication that merger with IRE will add professional stature to AIEE.

Very truly yours,

Dick

R. F. Shumar

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THE DOW CHEMICAL COMPANY

MIDLAND DIVISION
MIDLAND, MICHIGAN

November 16, 1961

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Mr. R. W. Scott
Crouse-Hinds Company
Syracuse 1, New York

Dear Dick:

Re: Proposed AIEE-IRE Merger

The proposed merger of the AIEE and IRE as discussed by Mr. Chase in his letter of November 2 sounds like a step in the right direction. I believe that the merger should not only be an economical move but also enhance the prestige of both groups.

The Northeastern Michigan Section has had for some time, since 1952, "Local Members" who are "Non-Institute" members but who are interested in the activities of the Section. They pay annual dues of \$3 to cover the expenses of filing, mailing, and support of programs. We find them very beneficial to the Section, not only financially, but also because of their participation in the meetings and their help on committees. Our Local Membership grade is comparable to the Associate grade of IRE.

Very truly yours,

F. M. Baxandall, Chairman
Electrochemical Processes Subcommittee
AIEE

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N. S. HIBSHMAN
FOR YOUR INFORMATION
W.H. CHASE

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NOVEMBER 8, 1961

MR. H. WILLIAM KAUFMANN
P.O. Box 123
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

DEAR MR. KAUFMANN:

THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF NOVEMBER 1ST ADDRESSED TO THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF ELECTRICAL ENGINEERS IN WHICH YOU BRING OUT SOME VERY INTERESTING POINTS WITH REGARD TO OUR STUDY INVOLVING THE COMBINING OF AIEE AND IRE. YOUR POINTS WERE WELL TAKEN. WE HAVE AN OVERWHELMING URGE ON THE PART OF OUR MEMBERSHIP TO BRING ABOUT THIS AMALGAMATION.

I LOOK FORWARD TO THE DAY WHEN THERE WILL BE FURTHER CONSOLIDATIONS AND YOUR SUGGESTIONS WITH RESPECT TO ASME ARE ALREADY BEING DISCUSSED IN SOME QUARTERS.

CORDIALLY AND SINCERELY,

PRESIDENT



H. WILLIAM KAUFMANN

Registered Patent Agent

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P. O. Box 123

1 November 1961

American Institute of Electrical Engineers
33 West 39 Street
New York City, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

Newspaper reports that the A.I.E.E. is contemplating submerging its identity in a fusion with another organization fill me with regret. I am a member of the other organization because I need its publications; I do not regard it as a professional organization, but more nearly a trade association. I have maintained my association with the A.I.E.E. for many years, despite interests confined almost exclusively to the higher frequency ranges, because I felt it represented technical rigor, unspoken patriotism, and the brand of professional ethics which is an extension of high personal ethics. About seven years ago, a young associate of mine, a member of the other organization, attended an A.I.E.E. symposium on rectangular-loop magnetic materials. On his return, he said to me: "I understand what you were trying to tell me; at this meeting, all the speakers knew what they were talking about, and all the listeners seemed to understand." The A.I.E.E. has no need of a special organization devoted to engineering writing and speech because, being engineers, its members speak and write like engineers; and the membership would laugh down anyone who tried to prove himself a great expert in a field by giving it a coined name, and using mystic names for entities that Faraday and Maxwell named very understandably and simply long ago. We have no need for "professional" communicators whose competence lacks

the capacity to communicate intelligence. It may be that wider promulgation of the A.I.E.E.'s standards of competence and ethics would deflate many a high-flying (and profitable) "engineering research" organization; and this would certainly furnish strong motivation for many persons to desire the A.I.E.E. to bed down in Courtlandt Street. The current cry even from the armed services is for more competent engineering management; and I hope as an American that even Congress, even the President, may some day apprehend that the A.I.E.E. is not so completely bankrupt in this area that it has to publish treatises on the subject to bolster its reputation.

If the A.I.E.E. is too weak to survive alone, let it join the A.S.M.E., into which it could disappear honorably, and without injury to the national welfare. If it chooses to join the very strange bed-fellow of the newspaper rumors, I hope it will remain at least as truthful as that organization, and remove from its title the word "American".

Very truly yours,

Henry William Kaufmann
Henry William Kaufmann

Associate; 21011