

Report on VCCI - ITI TC5 Joint meeting

Steering Committee

To take advantage of both VCCI and ITI TC5 members attending the IEEE EMC Symposium we arranged a joint meeting with TC5 to have VCCI activities better understood by them.

Note: In the past VCCI Steering Committee used to have annual meeting with ITI TC5 for information exchange. However, due to ITI member companies' policy to reduce the number of meetings within the US, we have not had meetings for the past several years. We captured this opportunity to have a joint meeting after a long time.

* ITI = Information Technology Industry Council

(1) Date/Time: July 7, 2007 19:00 –

(2) Place: Hilton Hawaiian Village Hotel

(3) Attendees

From VCCI:

Mr. Akihisa Sakurai, Chairman of the Steering Committee (IBM Japan)
Mr. Shozo Satake, Chairman of the Technical Subcommittee (Hitachi)
Mr. Kunihiro Osabe, a member of the Technical Subcommittee (VLAC)
Mr. Hiroshi Yamane, a member of the Technical Subcommittee (NTT)
Mr. Satoshi Shibata, Chairman of the International Relations Subcommittee (Matsushita)
Mr. Haruyoshi Nagasawa, Senior Director (VCCI)
Mr. Kojiro Yamada, Secretariat general (VCCI)

From ITI TC5:

Ghery Petti, Chairman (Intel), John Hirvela, Vice-Chairman (HP), Mark Arthurs (Sony Electronics), Boris Shusterman (EMC Corporation), Jim Knighten (NCR/Teradata Division), Wayne Hunter (Agilent Technology), John Flavin (NCR/Teradata Division), Richard Worley (Dell Incorporated), Mark Luksich (Motorola), John Maas (IBM), George Kavelak (IBM), David Arnett(HP), Fred Leffingwell (Cisco Systems), JohnH(Secretariat)

(4) Topics

- Laboratory Accreditation under the MOU
- Telecom. Port EMI – Implementation
- EMI above 1GHz
- Other related technical topics

(5) A summary of the meeting

Mr. Nagasawa filled in on the current situation on MOU between Japan and US implemented in April, 2007. Since then VCCI has received 10 or so inputs for VCCI registration of US testing laboratories

accredited by NVLAP/A2LA. On the opposite side the first Japanese laboratory accredited by VLAC was accepted by FCC. Tracing back to the origin of negotiation on the MOU, there had been a persistent approach of ITI to the government of the US for sure, but more direct negotiation started out when we explained the role of VCCI to USTR who suddenly took us out of ongoing VCCI – TC5 joint meeting in Washington DC about 12 years ago. Both FCC/USTR and VLAC thanked each other for painstaking efforts made for a long time which borne the fruit of better trade facilitation. ITI member companies are all appreciative for the mutual recognition scheme in streamlined registration of their measuring facilities to VCCI. Following this talk of Mr. Nagasawa, Mr.Satake and Mr. Yamane talked about EMI measurement above 1GHz and telecommunication ports EMI measurement respectively form a standpoint of planned inclusion of them in VCCI technical requirements. As for implementation timing for 1GHz things it will be 2010 – 2011 with grace period attached, but never before CISPR12-2-3 is adopted as Japanese standard. As for telecommunication ports things it will be April 2008 with grace period of 1 year. Next Mr. Osabe referred to the status of CISPR32 deliberation by touching upon the fact that several hundreds of comments on CISPR32 were collected in the Japanese mirror committee to CISPR which implies the standard is still premature.

ITI's focus is not on technical pursuance of EMC by carrying out experiments and analysis like VCCI but on activities for deregulation as claimed in the ITI Website "being as widely recognized as the tech industry's most effective lobbying organization in Washington, in various foreign capitals, and the WTO."

It should be noted that ITI participants in the symposium very much appreciated VCCI papers and said they would reference VCCI's study output in their ITI activities.

