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REPORT ON MEETING HELD IN BRITISH TECHNICAL OFFICE, KRUPPS, on 30 AUGUST 1945 p.m.

Present:

Lt Col Major

GOODYEAR TARGETT, LR

Mr Lt

WORTLEY MEYER

Herr

LINDENBERG

Herr

HELLER

Herr

BAURAT von GOTTBERG

Ltn

KOPP

The meeting was held to discuss the properties of fuels, particularly as applied to those fuels and chemicals which are at present on the grounds at KRUPPS.

T STOFF.

- The first question raised was the concentration, specific gravity, temperature chart for T Stoff obtained from KIEL. It was agreed that this graph from KIEL could be used to determine the concentration of the T Stoff on site.
- The second question asked was "What are the limitations of concentration within which T Stoff may be used?" When accurate firing of the rocket is demanded, the concentration of the T Stoff must lie between 78.6 and 80%, but allowing certain depreciation in the range of the rocket, a concentration of 75% would serve for the working substance. Lower concentration will cause corrosion and rapid deterioration of the steam generator and turbine. This only, however, if the turbine should be used intermittently, e.g. test run before the final firing.
- The question of pre-heating the T Stoff was raised and it was stated that no warming device need be used until the outside temperature reached -20° C.
- 4. Protective clothing. The question was raised as to whether natural rubber was sufficient protection. The answer was "Yes", provided it is washed after immediate contact with T Stoff. German troops used MIPOLAM clothing.
- The question of the quality of aluminium used for various vessels was raised, and this material it was stated must be an aluminium alloy containing NO copper. Where, however, a steel container is used, as in the steam unit itself, the interior surface of this tank must be coated with a waxlike compound, namely CERISIN, which is a pure hydro carbon.
- The question of deterioration of concentration was raised and the reply was that in a properly constructed aluminium tank the T Stoff only deteriorated 1 to 2% in 12 months.
- On the question of the purity of the T Stoff on the site, it was agreed specific gravity was the only test that need be made.
- The question of sufficient supplies of 80% T Stoff from KIEL was raised and it was agreed that if necessary supplies could be arranged at short notice.

Z STOFF

- 9: It was stated that sodium-permanganate must be used. Calcium Calcium does not catalyse the T Stoff as rapidly as the sodium and its use is to be avoided.
- 10. The concentration of the Z Stoff should be about 27.4%. Tolerance of about 1% was thought to be allowed in the specification. No specifications for these chemicals are available at present.
- 11. HELLER could not give us the exact specific gravity relative to this concentration, but perhaps if specific gravity of the stocks of Z Stoff here were measured, then perhaps this would strike some note in his memory. It was specially mentioned that the sample measured should be made from a scaled can.
- 12. The question of purity of Z Stoff was raised and HELLER mentioned it was practically chemically pure.
- 13. Contamination of the Z Stoff was raised and HELLER stated that if any sediment or undisolved crystals were present these must be filtered out before using Z Stoff.
- 14. The question of crystalisation of Z Stoff was raised, and HELLER stated that crystalisation did not materialise until a temperature of -5°C was reached, but as a precaution Z Stoff should not be used at a lower temperature than +5°C. Should temperatures be below zero then the Z Stoff must be heated to a temperature of 60°C before filling into the rocket.
- 15. It was agreed that the Z Stoff in store was suitable for use.

A STOFF

- 16. Losses during delivery of liquid oxygen were quoted and HELLER could apparently raise no objection to these figures.
- 17. The question of a test run with the oxygen tanks on site was raised and it was stated that this test run would be made as soon as possible.
- 18. The question of purity was raised and this it was stated should never be below 98%.
- 19. HELLER was asked whether he knew of any electric drive on a liquid oxygen pump and the reply was in the negative.

B STOFF

- 20. The specific gravity of the B Stoff on hand was stated to be 0.815 at 17° C and HELLER, from memory, reckoned this to be 96% alcohol. This 96% alcohol must be diluted to give 75%/25% mixture alcohol and water. It was stated from memory that the specific gravity of this mixture should then be 0.86 at 15° C.
- 21. The question of the water for this mixture was raised and it was doubted whether ordinary town water should be used. The Germans previously used a water softener to remove the salts from this water before mixing. It was agreed that in this neighbourhood the water is reasomably soft and ordinary town water could be used to mix with the alcohol.

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