

2012 FELLOWS COORDINATOR REPORT

Electric Machinery Committee

N. E. Nilsson was asked to assume the role of Fellows Coordinator for the Electric Machinery Committee at the Detroit annual meeting on July 27, 2011, and accepted. The cycle was already under way for the next round of Fellows at that time and in December of 2011, it was announced that Haran Karmaker of the EMC had been selected to be elevated to the membership grade of IEEE Fellow. Haran Karmaker is highly qualified and has been an active member on the EMC Motors Subcommittee and participates in a number of EMC Standards Working Groups.

A meeting was convened with EMC leadership and a plan was put into place to identify and nominate qualified EMC members for consideration by the IEEE for the membership grade of IEEE Fellow. The plan was for the EMC Fellows Coordinator to contact all four Subcommittee Chairs and to aide them in identifying two or more suitable candidates from their committees and then matching them up with suitable nominators. A monthly telephone call was made to monitor progress.

To assist in this effort, materials were distributed via e-mail on helpful hints for preparing a successful nomination. Jim Michalec was very helpful in summarizing the Fellows Tutorial which as presented by PES leadership on July 27, 2011, at the Detroit Annual PES Meeting. Copies of this summary were provided to all of the Subcommittee Chairs. Also, reference was made to Noel Schulz's article entitled, "Nominate a Colleague," that appeared in the September/October 2011 IEEE Power and Energy Magazine. Specifically, this article decried the fact that the PES is not getting its fair share of Fellows and that this is due partly to the fact that nominations have fallen off.

The results were mixed this year but it is hoped that interest in this program in the EMC will pick up as time goes on. One subcommittee decided not to participate this year. There were at least three nominations from other subcommittees that I know of that were completed which is an improvement over the last couple of years. We are waiting for the results which should be available in about six months.

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