



PARTICIPANTS OF VII CONFERENCE OF WATER UTILITY COMPANIES AT CHEBOKSARY PIPE PLANT

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VII Conference of Water Utility Companies “Systemic problems in Water Utility and their solutions” was held on 25–29 August 2014 in the city of Cheboksary, the capital of the Chuvash Republic, with the support of the Chuvash Republic Government. The organiser of the Conference was the Russian association of water supply and water disposal (RAWW).



The Association, founded in 1990, unites water utility companies of more than 200 cities and towns of all regions of the Russian Federation; leading R&D institutes, design institutes, international water utility companies and companies supplying equipment and technologies to enterprises and organizations of housing and communal services.

RAWW organises and hosts a Conference of Water Utility companies of Russia on an annual basis. As a rule, amongst the participants are representatives of State Duma, Ministry of Construction, Housing and Utilities of the Russian Federation, Ministry of Economic Development of the Russian Federation, etc.

Each year the choice of a city for the Conference venue is not accidental – the event is held in cities with unique experience and achievements in modernisation, management and attraction of investments in water and disposable water sector. RAWW has chosen Cheboksary for 2014 Conference.

POLYPLASTIC Group is a member of RAWW. Its daughter companies, Cheboksary Pipe Plant (ChTZ) and Trade House ChTZ, are situated in Novocheboksarsk, the Chuvash Republic.

During the study tour organized within the framework of the Conference, its participants visited various enterprises in Cheboksary and Novocheboksarsk, including Cheboksary Pipe Plant, where they were acquainted with products manufactured by POLYPLASTIC Group: plastic pipes for water and gas supply and sewer networks, PE manholes for storm water and gravity sewers, fittings and heat insulated pipes.

To most of conference participants and guests POLYPLASTIC Group and its products were already well known. “POLYPLASTIC Group and this plant



as a part of the Group has been a partner of RAWW for many years. It is well known, that one of the trends of modern water supply is the use of plastic pipes for construction of water supply systems. The company is highly rated in the sector. It is constantly modernising its production technologies using the latest achievements in science and technology as well as the results of its own research projects”, said Georgiy Samburskiy, RAWW Project Manager.

“We know this plant very well. It is a major player in the regional market of plastic pipes. Its production is very well organised and it is a big and modern production facility”, said Martin Kast, Director of Hawle, Austria, about Cheboksary Pipe plant.

According to Irkutskenergo OJSC representatives attending the event, for many years POLYPLASTIC Group products have been used in water supply and waste water disposal networks at Ust-Ilimsk Power Station,





which is a part of Irkutskenergo. This visit to Cheboksary Pipe Plant gave them an opportunity to see the whole range of products of the Group, get acquainted with new products and consult with specialists.

Extreme attention of the visitors was given to large diameter CORSYS PLUS as well as to MULTIPIPE and jacketed PROTECT pipes. Specialists from Yakutia showed much interest in ARCTIC and ISOCORSYS pipes meant for construction of non-frost water

networks in the regions with cold climate. Representatives from France and Austria paid attention to heat insulated pipes for hot water supply and district heating networks. They were highly interested in advantages and features of installation of these pipes and were also impressed by geography of deliveries – all over Russia.

Discussions touched upon a wide range of issues related to cost-effective transportation and pipes installa-

tion, securing trouble-free operation of water supply networks, etc.

It was also noted that situation with utility networks modernisation in Russia remained tight. The only right solution was further and extensive use of advantages of modern and innovative technologies and materials, which PE pipeline systems are related to, while the average consumption of PE pipes per capita in Russia was 2.5–3 times lower compared to similar in Europe.

Summarising the results of the Conference, Denis Antropov, General Director of Trade House ChTZ, noted that all task meetings were very productive. “The representatives of Water utility companies know Cheboksary Pipe Plant and non-formal meetings only improve our partnership relations. It is a great opportunity to share experience in application of modern technologies in water supply and waste water disposal industry”, said Antropov. Meetings – negotiations created a base for further cooperation with a number of water supply and water disposal companies in use of plastic pipes.

