

Meeting Notes

Project 2010-05.2 Special Protection Systems Standard Drafting Team

April 15-17, 2014 | 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. ET

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1. Introductions and chair remarks

Gene Henneberg, the chair brought the meeting to order at 8:10 a.m. ET on Tuesday, April 15, 2014 and welcomed everyone. Mr. Henneberg and Al McMeekin, NERC Standards Developer gave a brief overview of the project. Those in attendance were:

Name	Company	Member or Observer
Gene Henneberg	NV Energy / Berkshire Hathaway Energy	Member
Bobby Jones	Southern Company	Member
Amos Ang	Southern California Edison	Member
John Ciufu*	Hydro One Inc	Member
Alan Engelmann	ComEd / Exelon	Member
Davis Erwin	Pacific Gas and Electric	Member
Charles-Eric Langlois	Hydro-Quebec TransEnergie	Member
Robert J. O'Keefe	American Electric Power	Member
Hari Singh	Xcel Energy	Member
Sharma Kolluri	Entergy	Member
Jonathan Meyer	Idaho Power	Observer
Al McMeekin	NERC	Member
Erika Chanzas	NERC	Observer
Phil Tatro	NERC	Observer
Bill Edwards	NERC	Observer
Tom Bradish	FERC	Observer

*attended by teleconference

2. Determination of quorum

The rule for NERC standard drafting team (SDT or team) states that a quorum requires two-thirds of the voting members of the SDT. Quorum was achieved as 10 of the 10 voting members were present (one member via teleconference).

3. **NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines and Public Announcement, Email Listserv Policy, and Participant Conduct Policy**

Mr. McMeekin reviewed the NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines and public announcement, and gave an overview of the Participant Conduct and Email Listserv policies.

4. **Review team roster**

The team reviewed the roster and confirmed that it was accurate. Mr. McMeekin noted that the roster is posted in the Related Files section of the NERC project page.

5. **Review meeting agenda and objectives**

Mr. McMeekin reviewed the agenda and noted the meeting objectives.

Agenda Items

1. **Introductions**

Mr. McMeekin asked each attendee to introduce himself and provide some information on their background.

2. **Review project details**

Mr. McMeekin provided information on the project's schedule for developing the definition of Special Protection System as well as the SPS-related standards. The drafting team's goal is to post the proposed definition of SPS for formal comment and initial ballot in June, 2014 and present the industry-approved definition to the NERC BOT in December, 2014.

3. **Review Standard Authorization Request (SAR) comments**

The SDT reviewed the Standard Authorization Request (SAR) and the comments received on the posting of the SAR. The team decided to make a few changes to the SAR. The purpose section was changed to add "or alternative term" to accommodate a possible term change. The SDT also decided to add PRC-016 and PRC-017 to the sentence in the Detailed Description section which will now read as follows: "The SDT will combine appropriate requirements from PRC-012-0, PRC-013-0, PRC-014-0, PRC-015-0, PRC-016, and PRC-017 into one or more Reliability Standards." Misoperations and maintenance will be added to the bullet list in the Detailed Description section. Balancing Authority will be kept as an applicable entity. In the Related Standards section, it was decided that the SAR should list all standards which use the term "SPS" or "RAS" and added language to note that all of the standards would be reviewed to determine any impacts from the definition change. Also, PRC-010-1 should be added in this section. A reference to PRC-004-WECC-1 and PRC-(012 through 014)-WECC-CRT-2 should be added to the Regional Variance section.

4. Review comments received on the definition

There was much discussion concerning using the term SPS or RAS. FERC staff doesn't care which term is used. A motion was made by Rob O'Keefe to use the term Remedial Action Scheme (RAS) and retire the term SPS. John Ciufu seconded the motion and it was approved. Much time was then spent over the next couple of days in reviewing the comments received and compiling a list of comments received from multiple entities. The major issues included 1) concerns over the exclusions list, 2) the purpose of the classification types, 3) references to the TPL Standards, and 4) use of a screening process to decide if a scheme was an RAS or not. The SDT discussed all of the issues raised in the comments and considered many suggested wording changes. Many wording changes were made to the definition. The SDT decided to separate the classification types from the definition. The classification types should be developed along with the requirements.

The SDT decided to develop a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document to respond to the comments received during the informal posting of the definition. Writing assignments were made to develop this document.

5. Next steps

- a. Each team member should complete writing assignments and circulate them to the rest of the team prior to the May 9 teleconference.
- b. For the posting and ballot of the definition, the team will need to develop 1) background section and revised definition, 2) Implementation Plan, 3) a redline of other standards, 4) question form, and 5) FAQ response to major comments.

6. Future meeting(s)

- a. May 9, 2014 | Teleconference 1:00 – 3:00 eastern
- b. May 20-22, 2014 | Xcel Energy, Denver, CO

7. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m. ET on Monday, April 17, 2014.