



NORTH AMERICAN ELECTRIC RELIABILITY COUNCIL

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Distribution Factor Working Group

November 9, 2005

Conference Call Minutes

Administrative Matters

Chairman Jim Busbin called the Distribution Factor Working Group (DFWG) conference call to order at 2 p.m. EDT on November 9, 2005. The attendees are listed in Attachment A.

Proxy Flowgates

The DFWG has been asked to examine the use of flowgates as proxies in the IDC for relieving congestion on lower voltage elements. This issue has been brought to the ORS on several occasions, since 2002. However, the ORS has been unable to develop a definition or policy for the use of proxy flowgates. The members of the DFWG concluded that a recommendation to the ORS is necessary, but cannot be made until the frequency and several examples of the use of proxy flowgates are determined. Jeff Norman, Pat Shanahan, Dave Mabry, and John Riley will locate the available information. The DFWG will then meet via conference call on Friday November 11, 2005 to formulate their recommendation on the use of proxy flowgates to the ORS. The DFWG noted that none of the conference call participants represented organizations that use proxy flowgates. Therefore, Jeff Norman will contact those members who are believed to use proxy flowgates in an effort to encourage their participation in the DFWG recommendation.

Winter Base Case

The schedule for the development of the 2005 winter base case was provided to the DFWG by Kannan Sreenivasachar. It is listed below:

Completed	Release of Trial 1
Completed	Release of Trial 2
November 9, 2005	Release of Trial 3
November 15, 2005	Updates to be included in Trial 4 are due.
TBD	Release of Trial 4

The DFWG plans to include three-winding transformers in the winter base case. However, at least one reliability coordinator has stated that their organization may not be ready to submit three-winding transformers.

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Book of Flowgates Rewrite

The IDCWG endorsed the attached document entitled Book of Flowgates II on November 3, 2005. On November 16, 2005, the ORS will be asked to support developing a replacement to the existing Book of Flowgates. The DFWG is responsible for maintaining the existing Book of Flowgates. Therefore, the NERC staff is also requesting their endorsement of this project. Due to the limited time available on the conference call, the DFWG agreed to draft a motion for discussion on Friday, November 9, 2005.

Next Call/Meeting

What	Date	Time	Location
Conference Call	November 11, 2005	2–3:30 p.m. EDT	Conference Call

Adjournment

The conference call meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m. EST.

Attendance

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