

Agenda Regional Reliability Standards Working Group

August 10, 2010 | 12:00 pm– 5:00 p.m. Eastern
August 11, 2010 | 8:00 am– 12:00 p.m. Eastern
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1. Introductions and Attendance

Peter Heidrich	FRCC
Lee Pedowicz	NPCC
Anthony Jablonski	RFC
Patrick Huntley	SERC
Kenneth J. Wilson	WECC
Carol Gerou	MRO
David Kelly	SPP
Don Jones	Texas RE
Stephanie Monzon	NERC Staff
Observers:	
Nick Henery	FERC Staff
Sarah Hensley	TRE
Steve Myers	ERCOT
Laura Zotter	ERCOT

2. Stephanie will review the NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines.

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RRSWG Topics

1. **Status of Fill in the Blank Standards – Pat Huntley / Stephanie Monzon**
 - a. Pat Huntley will lead a discussion regarding the Standard's Committee's request that the RRSWG identify the needs, goals and objectives of the fill in the blank projects.
 - b. The group will review Stephanie's SPS proposal. This includes the short-term work-plan to review PRC-012 and PRC-014 by the November RRSWG meeting and then to review the remaining standards in the SPS project before the close of the year. **(See Attachment A)**
2. **Special Rule (ROP 321) and Standards Manual Changes Impacts on Regional Delegation Agreements**
 - a. The RRSWG will review the matrix prepared by Stephanie and discuss the impacts of the Manual Changes and Special Rule ROP 321 on the RDA's. The following items were identified in the June 2010 RRSWG as potential impacts: **(See Attachment B)**
 - Impact of ROP 321 and NERC RSDP changes on the possible need for revisions of regional standards development procedures.
 - i. The group identified that the balloting threshold in the regional standards development processes may need to be adjusted similar to the special rule changes.
 - ii. In addition, the regional BOT's may need to have authority to advance a standard to NERC even if the standard fails ballot OR the authority to change a standard if the NERC BOT considers that a directive has not been addressed.
 - NERC Manual changes
 - i. Adopting the informal comment periods would be useful to the Regions
 - ii. Consider adopting the provision that allows non-substantive changes to the standard between ballots

- iii. A special process for minor changes that don't require a team of experts such a change to applicability but that still goes through the ballot process
 - iv. Errata process / clarifying the interpretation processes
 - v. Quality review steps before major development milestones such as postings and balloting
 - vi. Regional Board authority to changes compliance elements as a result of a directive
3. **Status on Definition Development Procedure – Peter Heidrich**
- a. Resource Subcommittee Technical Paper Proposal for Defintions that conflict with NERC Glossary of Terms **(See Attachment C)- Ken Wilson**
4. **VRF / VSL Discussion – Stephanie Monzon**
- a. Stephanie will discuss the development of VRF's and VSL's and offer any assistance in drafting them to the Regions. **(See Attachment D)**
5. **Proposed regional definitions – All**
- The RRSWG will review the list of proposed regional definitions under development.
6. **Status on Regional Standards Under Development - All**
- The RRSWG will provide updates to the status of regional standards under development.

Standing Agenda Items

7. Review action items from last RRSWG meeting (and any new action items) – No new items:

Action Items	Status:	Assigned To:
NERC Eval – long term action item. Stephanie will propose language for the interpretation approval process and the definition process.	Still not started	Stephanie Monzon
SPS ACTION ITEM from 6/2010: Stephanie will pull together the first draft of PRC-012 and PRC-014 in parallel with proposing an overall schedule with milestones. The RRSWG generally agreed to work on the first set of standards currently in Project 2010-05 with the expectation that the group would review the second draft at the next	In Progress	Stephanie Monzon

Action Items	Status:	Assigned To:
RRSWG meeting (in Massachusetts). The second set of PRC standards in 2010-05 will be reviewed at the November RRSWG meeting in Tampa.		
Stephanie to create an RDA matrix comparing all the Regional Standards Development Procedures.	In Progress	Stephanie Monzon
RRSWG to provide Stephanie updates to the NERC RDSP	In progress	All Regions
Regions to provide Peter with contact information for RBS information	In progress	All Regions

8. Other

9. Review the 2010 RRSWG Schedule:

Date	Location	Comments
February 9 2010	FRCC Offices	Confirmed
May 3-4, 2010	SERC Offices Charlotte, NC	Confirmed
June 8-9 2010 Noon-5 8am – noon	WECC Offices Salt Lake City, Utah	Confirmed
August 10-11 2010 Noon – 5 (lunch provided) 8-noon (lunch will not be provided)	Waltham, MA	Confirmed National Grid
November 9-10 2010	Tampa, FL	Confirmed

10. Adjourn