

Conference Call Notes Project 2010-14.2 Resource and Demand Balancing (BARC 2) Periodic Review Team

October 16, 2013 | 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. ET

Administrative

1. Introductions

North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) staff initiated the teleconference and reviewed the NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines, public announcement, Participant Conduct Policy, and E-mail List Policy. Participants were introduced and included:

Name	Company	Member/ Observer
Doug Hils (Chair)	Duke Energy	Member
Tom Siegrist (Vice Chair)	EnerVision	Member
Scott Brooks	Manitoba Hydro	Member ¹
Ron Carlsen	Southern Company	Member
Howard F. Illian	Energy Mark	Member
Mike Potishnak	Representing NPCC	Member
Jerry Rust	Northwest Power Pool	Member
Stephen Swan	MISO	Member
Mark Trumble	Omaha Public Power District	Member
Sean Cavote	NERC	Member
Laura Anderson	NERC	Member
Stephen Crutchfield	NERC	Member
Mallory Huggins	NERC	Member
Ken Goldsmith	Alliant Energy	PMOS

¹ The NERC Standards Committee appointed Scott Brooks as a member on October 17, 2013.

Name	Company	Member/ Observer
Syed Ahmad	FERC	Observer

2. Review Meeting Agenda and Objectives

NERC staff reviewed the agenda. There were no proposed changes.

Agenda Items

1. Periodic Review Overview

NERC staff provided an overview of the periodic review (formerly “five-year review”) process.

2. Review Project Scope

a. Conduct a periodic review of BAL-004, -005, and -006

NERC staff explained that after consultations among NERC staff, Doug Hils, and Tom Siegrist on potential strategies for completing the goals of this project comprehensively and efficiently, the expectation for the Project 2010-14.2 Resource and Demand Balancing (BARC 2) Periodic Review Team (PRT) is that the PRT members would conduct the periodic review holistically and by working in sub teams tasked with developing preliminary recommendations specific to each discrete standard. NERC staff also explained that although members would work in sub teams to develop preliminary recommendations on BAL-004, -005, and -006, the entire PRT would first consider and discuss all three standards, break out into sub teams to develop preliminary recommendations based on those discussions, then reconvene the entire PRT to consider the sub teams’ recommendations. Members were asked to notify NERC by e-mail their preferred sub team assignments.

i. Address FERC Directives

NERC staff shared with the PRT the Consideration of Issues and Directives document, which contains all known Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) directives germane to this project. In most if not all cases, each directive will be addressed as prescribed by FERC. However, the PRT may develop an equally efficient and effective alternative to a FERC directive if the alternative can be supported by a verifiable sound technical basis.

During the first phase of this project, the PRT will focus primarily on a methodical review and plan for addressing each directive identified in the Consideration of Issues and Directives document. Once the PRT is confident it has sufficiently addressed each FERC directive, the PRT will turn to the balance of its periodic review of BAL-004, -005, and -006.

ii. Identify requirements to add, clarify, reaffirm, or retire

NERC staff explained that the PRT ultimately will make a recommendation on whether each of BAL-004, -005, and -006 should be reaffirmed, revised, or retired. The PRT's review of the standards is guided by Periodic Review Templates developed by NERC. NERC staff has conducted a preliminary analysis of each project standard and has provided its results with the PRT. Each PRT member was asked to complete a Periodic Review Template for each of the three standards, which are due to NERC staff on November 18, 2013 in advance of the PRT's December meeting.

b. **Develop redlined standards**

NERC staff advised the PRT that it has the option of developing redlined draft standards as a possible implementation of its recommendation if it ultimately recommends to revise one or more BARC 2 standard. Redlined drafts may be included with a draft Standard Authorization Request (SAR) and posted for industry comment, along with the PRT's final recommendation.

c. **Develop a draft Standard Authorization Request**

NERC staff explained that the PRT will consider all industry comments in developing a final SAR, if warranted, and its periodic review recommendation.

3. **PMOS (Ken Goldsmith)**

NERC staff and Ken Goldsmith provided an overview of the NERC Standards Committee Project Management and Oversight Committee (PMOS). Ken Goldsmith described his role as the project's PMOS representative.

4. **Review Action Plan**

NERC staff presented the draft project Action Plan and noted that most of the projected dates are dependent on team progress, among other factors. The expectation is to develop a recommendation by late January 2014, and to post that recommendation for industry comment in February 2014. The PRT Chair will conduct an industry webinar during the comment period to advise industry and to answer questions on the PRT's recommendation. April 2014 is the target date for the PRT to make its final recommendation to the Standards Committee.

5. **Solicit Member Sub Team Preferences**

NERC staff solicited PRT member preferences for serving on the sub teams. Members will be assigned to two standards from BAL-004, -005, and -006 as primary and secondary assignments. The sub teams will develop preliminary recommendations based on input from the entire PRT, and the PRT as a whole will review, approve, or modify the work of each sub team as warranted. NERC staff explained that although PRT members will be assigned to specific sub teams, each member will have an opportunity to contribute to and discuss all three standards subject to review on this project, and the sub team work would comprise only a small part of the entire project scope.

6. **Next Steps**

The PRT discussed next steps, including developing member comments on Periodic Review Templates and making recommendations on directives.

7. Discuss Future Meeting and Action Dates

The PRT plans to meet in Cincinnati, Ohio on December 11-13, 2013.

8. Adjourn

Sean Cavote adjourned the meeting at 2:35 p.m. ET.