

Minutes: Planning Committee

October 25, 2011 | 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Planning Committee (PC) Chair Jeff L. Mitchell presided over the meeting. The meeting notice, amended agenda and list of attendees are included in **Exhibits A, B, and D** respectively. Meeting presentations and complete agenda package are posted at <http://www.nerc.com/filez/pcmin.html>.

Administrative Matters

Welcome and Introductions

Chair Mitchell opened the meeting and welcomed the attendees.

Notice of Public Meeting

Secretary John Moura discussed the following open meeting reminder:

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Antitrust Compliance Guidelines

Secretary Moura reviewed the NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines.

Announcement of Quorum

A quorum of members was not reached – there will be no formal approvals of items on this conference call. Approval will be sought through an electronic ballot.

Parliamentary Procedures

Secretary Moura noted that the PC follows the newly revised Robert’s Rules of Order as summarized in the posted meeting agenda package.

Meeting Agenda

Chair Mitchell reviewed the meeting agenda. Mr. Mitchell indicated that there would be one change in the Agenda. PC members are requested to “review and provide feedback” for the Long Term Reliability Assessment—not an approval item at this meeting.

Approve the 2011 Special Reliability Assessment: A Primer on the Natural Gas and Electric Power Interdependency in the United States

John Moura presented The *2011 Special Reliability Assessment: A Primer on the Natural Gas and the Electric Power Interdependency in the United States*

Dan Rochester indicated Comments will be provided by him at the end of the day and also indicated that the report was well done

Paul Kure questioned whether this report was shared with the Natural Gas Industry. John Moura indicated that NERC Staff are still waiting comments from the Natural Gas Suppliers and Distributors. Mr. Moura indicated NERC contacted both NGA and INGA for their comments. Paul Kure also indicated that this report may get more distribution if became a joint report between NERC and the Natural Gas Industry. Phil Fedora indicated NERC should also share the report with the Northeast Gas Association

Kevin Koloini indicated that either the Executive Summary should be increased or that the Conclusions should be moved on to front

Kris Zadlo indicated that NERC staff should strive not to use the phrase “may impact” and quantify the results. Mark Lauby suggested using the phrase “For Example” instead of using “may impact.”

Jeffery Mitchell questioned when email vote would be concluded. Secretary Moura indicated the vote should be completed by Friday

Paul Kure questioned whether changes to the report suggested by the Natural Gas Associations would be brought to the Planning Committee for approval. John Moura indicated that if the associations submitted substantial comments on the report, that he would bring those revised changes to the Planning Committee.

Kevin Koloini indicated that there were a significant number of HTML Links used throughout the report and suggested the inclusion of a list of references or bibliography be included at the end of the report. John Moura indicated that NERC would review the footnotes for consistency and would consider the development of a bibliography.

Review and Provide Feedback on the 2011 Long-Term Reliability Assessment

John Moura presented the *2011 Long Term Reliability Assessment* for “Review and Provide Feedback” by the Planning Committee. Final comments are due on sections, not Including the EPA section, by COB on October 28, 2011. The EPA Section comments will be due by COB on November 4, 2011.

David Weaver indicated the he will provide comments on the report by COB on Friday. Additionally he stated that NERC should strive to quantify impacts used in the EPA section and should avoid using the phrase “may impact” throughout the document. NERC should reduce the focus on compliance exemptions and also questioned what the reference units were once thought to be exempt were also included. John Moura indicated that NERC Staff will attempt to balance the final version of the report.

Paul Metsa indicated he had a number of issues with the Québec section of the Long-Term Reliability Assessment. John Moura indicated that NERC has received updated data and narrative that was not

included with this draft. Phil Fedora indicated that he is aware of the issues with the Québec section and will have the NPCC CP-8 Group address the issue

John Moura indicated that an email vote will be submitted within the next few weeks.

PC Electronic Balloting of 2011 Special Reliability Assessment: A Primer on the Natural Gas and Electric Power Interdependency in the United States

NERC has implemented an electronic voting service to support member balloting on Planning Committee approval items. A request to Voting PC Members was sent on Tuesday, October 25th, with reminders sent on the subsequent two days. The report listed above was approved with two-thirds majority, no votes against the motion. Comments submitted to NERC have been incorporated into the final draft and will be shared with the committee upon submitting it to the NERC Board of Trustees. The report will be presented to the NERC Board of Trustees at the November 18, 2011 conference call for approval.

Teller report for this vote can be found at:

<https://www.bigpulse.com/pollresults?code=2080iRMtu2CQqaEHKCFExEuW>

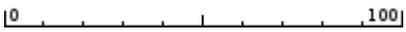
PC Approval: 2011 Special Reliability Assessment: A Primer on the Natural Gas and Electric Power Interdependency in the United States

As at Poll close: Friday 28 October 2011 20:00 EST

Number of members: 25 (20.500000000 weighted) · Group size: 31 (25 total weight) · Percentage voted: 80.65 (82.00 of total weight)

Ranked by votes

**Planning Committee
Vote**

	Weighted Votes	% Members	%	
Yea	19.50	100	24 100.00	
Abstain	0.00	0.00	0 0.00	
Nay	0.00	0.00	0 0.00	

From: [Michelle Marx](#)
To: [Michelle Marx](#)
Subject: NERC WEBINAR ANNOUNCEMENT: Planning Committee Approval Items - October 25, 2011 | 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. ET
Date: Thursday, October 13, 2011 12:42:06 PM

Webinar Announcement

Planning Committee (PC)

October 25, 2011 | 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. EST

Click here for: [Webinar Registration](#)

It is urgent that all PC members register.

Attendance by a quorum of PC members is needed for approvals.

Topics to be Discussed:

1. Approval of the 2011 Long-Term Reliability Assessment and
2. Approval of the 2011 Special Reliability Assessment: A Primer on the Natural Gas and Electric Power Industries Interdependency - PHASE I

For more information or assistance, please contact [John Moura](#) (via email) or at 404-446-9731.

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Agenda

Planning Committee Webinar (amended)

October 25, 2011 | 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

Teleconference: 866-740-1260 | **Access Code:** 5247047 | **Security Code:** 7047

Web Access: Link sent to each participant upon registration

1. Administrative Items

- a. Introductions - Chair Jeff Mitchell
- b. Notice of Public Meeting – Secretary

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- c. NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines* - Secretary
- d. Announcement of Quorum – Secretary
- e. Parliamentary Procedures – Secretary
- f. Agenda Approval – Chair Mitchell

2. Approve the 2011 Special Reliability Assessment: A Primer on the Natural Gas and Electric Power Interdependency in the United States – John Moura

3. Review and Provide Feedback Approve on the 2011 Long-Term Reliability Assessment – John Moura

The 2011 LTRA schedule had suggested this document would be considered for approval at the October 25, 2011 PC webinar. However, given the time constraints, and the posted draft does not contain NERC’s most recent analysis of potential impacts from U.S. environmental regulations, the PC is requested to review and provide feedback. NERC is in the final stages of preparing this section of the report, and a place holder section is provided in the draft.

Once comments are incorporated and this additional section is complete, a follow-up conference call or email vote will be slated for final approval (most likely the week following the 10/25 PC webinar). In addition to providing comments on the conference call next week, we request PC members to provide feedback by email by COB October 28. Please send comments to assessments@nerc.net

Adjourn

Attendees
Planning Committee Teleconference/Web Conference
October 25, 2011

PC Officers

Chairman Jeffery Mitchell
Vice Chairman Ben Crisp
Secretary John Moura

Voting PC Members

Investor-owned Utility - David Weaver
State/municipal Utility – Paul Metsa (P)
Cooperative Utility – Jay Farrington
Trans. Dependent Utility - Kevin Koloini
Trans. Dependent Utility - Tom Reedy
Electricity Marketer – Jason Marshall
Merchant elec. Generator – Kris Zadlo
ISO/RTO - Mark Westendorf
ISO/RTO - Dan Rochester
RRO-FRCC – Pedro Modia
RRO-MRO – Dale Burmester
RRO-NPCC – Phil Fedora
RRO-RFC - Paul Kure
RRO-SERC - Russell Schussler
RRO-WECC - Branden Sudduth

Non-Voting Members

U.S. Federal – Jesus Sierra

NERC Staff

Mark Lauby
John Moura
Eric Rollison