

Minutes

Project Management and Oversight Subcommittee

June 16, 2020 | 2:30–4:30 p.m. Eastern

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Introduction and Chair's Remarks

Chair C. Yeung called the meeting to order at 2:30 p.m. Eastern. The meeting was announced via the PMOS email distribution list on June 9, 2020, as well as, being publicly posted on the www.nerc.com website. The chair provided the subcommittee with opening remarks and welcomed members and guests.¹ The secretary held roll call for members and identified other attendees that were in attendance. Those in attendance included a quorum of voting members, (i.e. ten of ten).

NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines, Public Announcement, and Participant Conduct Policy

The NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines, Public Announcement and Participant Conduct Policy were presented and reviewed by the secretary. The secretary noted the full antitrust guidelines and public announcement were provided in the agenda package to each member via email and posted on the PMOS webpage. There were no questions.

1. Review of Agenda

Chair Yeung reviewed the agenda with members and attendees.

2. Consent Agenda

The May 6, 2020 Meeting Minutes were reviewed, motioned by K. Rosener, seconded by M. Pratt, and approved by unanimous consent.

3. Prior Action Items

The prior action items were reviewed and updated.

4. Project Tracking Spreadsheet (PTS) and Project Review

- a. **2015-09** – Establish and Communicate System Operating Limits (SOL) – K. Lanehome reported the following:
 - i. **Phase I (2015-09)** – The Standards Committee did not authorize TOP-001 and IRO-008 for posting and initial ballot. As a result of the Standards Committee feedback, the drafting team will be making minor revisions to the standards. The IRO-008 and TOP standards will be submitted to the June 17, 2020 SC meeting and a posting is scheduled for June 19, 2020.

¹The PMOS is composed of industry stakeholders where the chair or vice chair must be a member of the Standards Committee (SC) and the SC leadership are non-voting members of the PMOS.

- b. **2016-02** – Modifications to Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) Standards – K. Lanehome reported the following:
- i. **(2016-02c)** CIP-002-5.1a: The standard was approved by the board. A petition to FERC was filed on June 12, 2020. The project is ready to be archived.
 - ii. **(2016-02d)** The CIP Virtualization V5TAG drafting team is still meeting each week with a focus on industry outreach. Industry webinars are continuing every other week with good feedback from attendees. The SDT is listening to industry and making adjustments as issues are discussed. The next step is to wait on the Supply Chain project. If it passes the current ballot, CIP-005, 007 and 010 will go to the SC in July or August to request an initial posting. If Supply Chain does not pass, the initial ballot will likely be pushed out to November or December 2020. Conforming changes to any other standards will wait for the BCSI team to complete their updates.
- c. **2017-01** – Modifications to BAL-003-1.1 – L. Lynch reported the following:
- i. **Phase II (2017-01b)**: The drafting team is working on a white paper/technical justification document to provide additional insight to industry and to help form next steps in potential changes to the Standard.

Issues: Due to the changing work environments as a result of COVID-19, the drafting team is taking the opportunity to develop and draft a white paper/technical justification document. The drafting team will look at revising the project timeline for Phase II to align it with the changing environment. Schedule: There is a weekly conference working meeting call that will be conducted from 1:00 to 3:00 PM Eastern-time on every Thursday to develop and draft the white paper/technical justification document for posting and industry comment.

So far, the drafting team have held working group calls on March 19th, April 2nd and 9th to work on development of a White Paper for Phase II of this project. The technical whitepaper will assist the team to determine whether Phase II should propose revisions and/or additional requirements. The team has scheduled a weekly working group calls on Thursdays from 1:00 to 3:00 PM (eastern-time) through the end of June. The goal is to have the technical whitepaper endorsed by the RS Committee at its October 2020 meeting.
- d. **2019-02** – BES Cyber System Information Access Management – C. Bellville and L. Harkness reported that a 45-day comment period and additional ballot is scheduled for July 13. A SDT meeting is scheduled for June 17 and 18 to review feedback from the quality review.
- e. **2019-03** – Cyber Security Supply Chain Risk – M. Bussey reported that the Standards Drafting Team has finalized the responses for the initial ballot comments. Also, the SDT reviewed changes to the TR and IG documents based on standard modifications and response to comments. The last conference call was on April 7th, 2020. The upcoming expectations are that the team will conduct a Quality Review during April 15 – 22nd and review the comments. The team plans to have an additional ballot and comment period during April 30th – June 16th. The next scheduled meetings are on June 26 and during the week of June 29th.

- f. **2019-04** – Modifications to PRC-005-6 – M. Pratt reported that the revised SAR currently posted for formal comment 6/2/20 – 7/8/20 [Note: Delayed from original posting schedule due to resource constraints associated with COVID-19]. The project baseline schedule has been developed and entered into the Project Tracking Spreadsheet.
- g. **2019-05** – Modifications to PER-003-2 – C. Bellville reported that the project will revise PER-003-2 to address one credential is required, not the current four credentials. This better serves reliability by ensuring all System Operators, regardless of their company's registration or credential of choice, have the same base knowledge.

There is no update on this project since the May 2020 PMOS meeting, this project is still on hold pending additional review of the PCGC on how many continuing education hours should be required for the new one System Operator credential. The drafting team will pick back up where it left off once the PCGC has finished its review.

- h. **2019-06** – Cold Weather – Q. Morrison and J. Mallory reported that the SAR drafting team posted for an additional informal comment on the SAR. The comment period closes May 21 and the team plans to meet by June 26 to review and respond to comments. The drafting team will approach the Standards Committee to add a member, the team needs an SME from a small entity. The next full drafting team conference call is scheduled for July 14.
- i. **2020-01** – Modifications to MOD-032-1 – The Standards Committee authorized the SAR for a 30-day informal posting on March 18, 2020, and authorized solicitation for a SAR drafting team. The comment and nomination period concluded on April 24, 2020. The Standards Drafting Team members have been selected by NERC Staff and will be presented to the Standards Committee during the June 17th meeting. The first SDT meeting will be scheduled in July.
- j. **2020-02** – Transmission-connected Resources to MOD-032-1 – L. Lynch reported that the Industry comments for the SAR, and NERC SAMS Whitepaper “Transmission Connected Dynamic Reactive Resources and HVDC Equipment – Assessment of Applicability in Reliability Standards” closed on May 13, 2020. Regarding the SAR, NERC staff is holding off on selecting the Standards Drafting Team (SDT) members for this SAR, since there are IRPTF SARs for MOD-026 and MOD-027 that have been submitted to the RSTC for approval. This Project is expected to be renamed and involve less Standards in its scope. A new Project will be established to cover the remaining Standards in this SAR. Selection of the SDT members for the revised Projects will probably occur in the fall of 2020, at which time the project schedules will be updated. The intent is to have the Projects cover more specific, narrower scopes, and allow for the selection of SDT members with qualifications that align more closely with the scope of each Project.
- k. **2020-03** – Supply Chain Low Impact Revisions – Nominations are being sought for the drafting team members, and the due date has been extended through June 3. The informal comment period has also been extended, and is open through June 3, 2020. The date extensions are to help alleviate any scheduling issues that have occurred and are a result of COVID-19.

I. **2020-04** – Modifications to CIP-012-1 –The SAR comment and drafting team nomination periods ended on June 11. The drafting team recommendations are scheduled for the August SC meeting.

5. Action Items

The secretary updated the PMOS action log.

6. Adjournment

Chair Yeung adjourned the meeting at 4:10 p.m. Eastern by consent.

7. Attendees

PMOS Attendees		
Members	Attended	Absent
Charles Yeung (PMOS Chair)	X	
Michael Brytowski (PMOS Vice-chair)	X	
Colby Bellville	X	
Ken Lanehome	X	
Kirk Rosener	X	
Quinn Morrison	X	
Masuncha Bussey	X	
Mark Pratt	X	
Linda Lynch	X	
Ash Mayfield	X	
Amy Casuscelli (non-voting member)	X	
Observers		
Rebecca Moore Darrah (ACES)	X	
Todd Bennett (AECI)	X	
Linn Oelker (LGE)	X	
Mike Johnson (PGE)	X	
Deborah Currie (SPP)	X	
Rachel Coyne (TRE)	X	
Holden Mann (RTO Insider)	X	
NERC		
Elsa Prince (Secretary)	X	
Thomas Coleman	X	
Scott Barfield-McGinnis	X	
Wendy Muller	X	
Chris Larson	X	
Soo Jin Kim	X	
Marisa Hecht	X	

*Background materials included.