

ATC/TTC/AFC and CBM/TRM Revisions Standard Drafting Team

Meeting Notes

**January 8–10, 2008
FRCC Offices Tampa, Florida**

1. Administration

a. NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines

Andy Rodriguez reviewed the NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines with meeting participants.

b. Introduction of Attendees

The following members and guests were in attendance:

- Larry Middleton, Chair
- Chris Advena
- Garry Baker
- Daryn Barker
- Richard Becker
- Rebecca Berdahl
- Bob Birch
- W. Shannon Black
- John Burnett
- DuShaune Carter
- Mike Colby
- Sedina Eric
- Earl Fair
- Chuck Falls
- Bill Harm
- E. Nick Henery
- Ray Kershaw
- Dennis Kimm
- Ross Kovacs
- Laura Lee
- David Lunceford
- Cheryl Mendrala
- Abbey Nulph
- Narinder Saini
- Nate Schweighart
- Joel Segal
- M.B. Hassan Shah
- Ron Slagle

- Jerry Smith
- Aaron Staley
- Stephen Tran
- Don Williams
- Andy Rodriguez

c. Approval of the Agenda

Laura Lee moved that the agenda be modified to delete the process details included in the draft and then approved. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

d. Approval of Meeting Notes

The drafting team deferred approval of the October 9–12 meeting minutes, and directed that their approval be solicited via e-mail.

2. Strategy Discussion

The drafting team discussed strategy for moving forward with the consideration of comments. Andy Rodriguez proposed reviewing items he had identified as “controversial” in this meeting, and reviewing draft responses he had written via e-mail. Narinder Saini and Ross Kovacs suggested that the team should review all responses in the meeting. The drafting team agreed.

Andy Rodriguez presented the consideration of comments. The drafting team identified which items were controversial and which were non-controversial. Andy Rodriguez was assigned with splitting the consideration of comments into work-team assignments based on the standard.

3. Broad Topics

The drafting team discussed some larger topics that impacted more than one standard or multiple comments to determine if consensus could be reached on how to address those issues.

- Violation Risk Factor Comments — Many entities suggested lowering a significant number of the VRFs to Low. The drafting team discussed, but was unable to come to consensus. Andy Rodriguez and Laura Lee agreed to write up some examples showing why the VRFs should not be lowered.
- Percent Thresholds used in the standards — The team discussed the appropriateness of 3% or 5% thresholds. No consensus was reached.
- Timing Requirements — The team discussed the need for consistent time frames to be used in the standards. It was agreed that in general, the standards should have the following default times:
 - Responses to requests for documentation should be 30 days,
 - Responses to the MOD-001 data exchange requirements should be 30 days,

- Notice of changes should generally be required to be made less than x days AFTER the change. The actual number of days will be specified in the VSLs.
- Counterflows — The drafting team agreed to eliminate the default counterflow requirements, remove the use of the term “counter schedules” from MOD-029, and expand the requirement in MOD-001 for the ATCID to include an explanation of how counterflows are treated.
- Definition of Posted Path — The drafting team agreed to change the term to “ATC Path” and modify the definition to reference paths for which ATC must be posted.
- Non-Firm NITS versus Secondary Service — The drafting team agreed that the standards should indicate in a parenthetical that Non-Firm NITS is (Secondary Service).
- Outage Processing — The drafting team agreed to require in the ATCID a description of how entities process outages.
- RTO concerns with assigning work to the Transmission Operator — The drafting team agreed that this was something that is covered by delegation of the task to the RTOs.
- Definitions of Postbacks and Business Practices — The drafting team agreed to draft definitions of these terms. Postbacks are positive adjustments to ATC or AFC as defined in business practices. Such business practices may include processing of redirects and unscheduled service. Business Practices are those business rules contained in the TSP’s applicable tariffs, rules, or procedures; associated RRO’s posted business practices; or NAESB Business Practices.
- Model Scope — The drafting team agreed to some common language to be used when defining model scope. 1.) Contains modeling data and topology for the facilities within its RC’s area. Equivalent representation of radial lines and facilities 161kV or below is allowed. 2.) Contains modeling data and topology (or equivalent representation) for immediately adjacent RC areas.

4. Sub-teams Work

The drafting team broke into sub-teams, one sub-team for each standard. The sub-teams were as follows:

MOD-001: Shannon Black, Cheryl Mendrala, and Laura Lee

MOD-004: Bill Harm, Ray Kershaw, and Dennis Kimm

MOD-008: Daryn Barker, Aaron Staley, and Larry Middleton

MOD-028: DuShaune Carter, Ross Kovacs, Bob Birch, and Stephen Tran

MOD-029: Jerry Smith, Chuck Falls, and David Lunceford

MOD-030: Nate Schweighart, Don Williams, Abbey Nulph, and Narinder Saini

Andy Rodriguez gave each sub-team the controversial items from the comments and a copy of the standards that had been modified to incorporate the suggested changes from the non-controversial comments. The sub-teams worked to draft responses to the comments and modifications to the standards as needed.

5. Adjourn