

Conference Call Notes Backup Facilities SDT — Project 2006-04

1. Administrative Items

a. Introductions and Quorum

The Chair brought the call to order at 11:00 EDT on Tuesday, July 7, 2009. Call participants were:

Sam Brattini, Chair	Blaine Dinwiddie	Charles Jenkins
Glenn Kaht	Barry Lawson	Sara McCoy
John Procyk	Mike Schiavone, Vice Chair	James Vermillion
Mike Moon, NERC Compliance	Ed Dobrowolski, NERC Standards Coordinator	

b. NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines – Ed Dobrowolski

No questions were raised on the NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines.

c. Conference Call Agenda and Objectives – Sam Brattini

The objective of the call was to finalize a decision on the retention/deletion of Requirement R3.

2. Resolve Retention/Deletion of Requirement R3

The text of the e-mail sent by Sam to the SDT on June 25, 2009 was used as the basis for the discussion. Ed provided an overview of the e-mail text and history of the problem while Sam pointed out that while a minority of commenters did not want to see the requirement deleted that some of the respondents who agreed with deletion thought the concept needed to be retained.

Mike Moon reported that he and his staff, as well as Joel de Jesus and his staff in auditing, researched the problem and found that:

- The requirement was not redundant with any other requirement in the standards.

- The requirement was felt to be needed by Compliance and its auditing arm.
- The requirement should be retained.

The SDT decided that the input from Compliance backed up the minority viewpoint in the comments and that this was a perfect example of the point that is made to all drafting teams at their inception – You must always listen to all points of view as one lonely commenter may have hit on something that is vital and had been glossed over by everyone else.

The SDT decided to retain Requirement R3 and forward the documents to NERC staff to begin the pre-balloting stage of the standards process.

3. Next Steps – Sam Brattini

This project is on the agenda for the next Standards Committee meeting and everything that the SC needs to make its decision will be in place in time for the meeting.

4. Action Items and Schedule – Ed Dobrowolski

Ed will adjust the summary response to Question 1 from the last posting. Sam will review and approve it and it will then be forwarded to NERC staff for distribution to the SC.

The project was delayed for approximately six weeks by the discussion on Requirement R3.

5. Next Meeting – Sam Brattini

There are no meetings scheduled at this time.

6. Adjourn

The SDT thanked Mike Moon for his quick reaction to this problem and the Chair adjourned the call at 11:30 a.m. EDT.