

Meeting Notes

Transmission Loading Relief DT — Project 2006-08

December 10, 2008 | 9 a.m.–5 p.m.

December 11, 2008 | 9 a.m.–noon

Toronto Marriott Bloor Yorkville

Toronto, ON

1. Administration

a. NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines

Andy Rodriguez reviewed the Antitrust Guidelines with meeting participants.

b. Introduction of Attendees

The following members and guests were in attendance:

- Jim Busbin, NAESB Co-Chair
- Ben Li, NERC Co-Chair
- Daryn Barker
- Ernie Cardone
- Pat Caulfield
- Jim Eckelkamp
- Blaine Erhardt
- Corey Galik
- Barry Green
- Paul Humberson
- Tom Mallinger
- Nelson Muller
- Pat O'Connor
- Don Shipley
- Ed Skiba
- Andy Rodriguez

c. Approval of Agenda

The drafting team reviewed the agenda, made minor modifications, and approved the agenda unanimously.

d. Approval of Meeting Notes

The drafting team reviewed the meeting notes from the June 26–27 meeting, made minor modifications, and approved them unanimously.

e. Discussion of NERC Filing on TLR Version 4

Tom Mallinger briefly reviewed the NERC filing and FERC’s December 4th response. Responses to FERC’s response are due December 22, 2008. Tom asked if MISO should file in support of the NERC filing. The SDT agreed that support is important, as it would be unfortunate if FERC disallowed TLR during an IROL. Ben Li and Andy Rodriguez provided some of the history of this filing.

f. NAESB — Update on WEQ-008, 2009 Annual Plan

Ed Skiba provided an update on WEQ-008, the companion business practice for TLR. WEQ-008 was approved, and will be moving to final ratification. Ed also briefly reviewed the WEQ 2009 Annual Plan, which includes the “Parallel Flow Visualization” item and “modification to market flow threshold percentage” item. Some changes to TLR 5 are being pursued at NAESB (supported by the ORS). There was some discussion about timing and coordinating issues with the start up of the threshold. FERC Order 676-D says that the NAESB BPs go into effect when the field test is completed (meaning the team will need to be done with their work as the field test ends).

2. Phase II Work (Field Test) Report

Tom Mallinger reviewed a presentation on the status of the field test. Results have been inconclusive, but testing is still ongoing. As has been discussed previously, more information needs to be collected (hence the request to extend the field tests). Tom noted that as of January 1, 2009, the MAPP companies will no longer be requiring relief down to 0 percent, but will move to 5 percent.

Tom also discussed the time line, and their FERC filing seeking FERC’s endorsement to extend the field test. Tom notes that there was some protest against their request to FERC to extend the field test. Some entities were requesting that the test be suspended and a report be developed for FERC on the results. FERC has not yet responded, but Tom notes this could result in a need to further extend the field test (i.e., there would still be a need for the data).

There might be some need to think about how fields tests transition out into a new standard (or back to the old standard). There could be significant timing issues with how this moves forward (e.g., conflicts between how the field tests phase out, how that coordinates with approval of NAESB business practices, etc...). Order 676-D indicates that the regional differences will also transfer to NAESB once the field test completes. Andy was asked to bring the issues of field test transitions to Julia Souder for possible discussion with FERC, while Ben Li will bring it up at the Standards Committee.

3. Phase III Work

a. Discuss WECC referencing concerns in IRO-006-5

Andy Rodriguez provided an overview of the concern. The language in the standard currently points to the WECC regional standard. WECC would rather have this point to the procedure. This could create the same kind of jeopardy that we had with Appendix A. Do we really need this requirement anymore? At first, the team agreed to simply change the reference. Later in the day, the team agreed to remove this requirement.

b. Review Comments and discuss plans

Ben Li and Andy Rodriguez reviewed the comments, as well as preliminary responses drafted by Andy. We received very few comments on the standards. This may be because of the number of entities impacted by the standards. The team made modifications to the initial responses, and made changes to the draft standards in response to the comments. Andy was tasked with implementing the changes discussed, adding the measures and compliance elements, and developing the initial comment form.

4. “Parallel Flow Visualization/Mitigation for RCs in EI” SAR

a. Update on the SAR DT’s work from Frank Koza, Tom Mallinger, and Don Shipley

Tom Mallinger provided an update on the progress on this item. The work has not yet been completed, and has not yet been reviewed by the ORS or IDCWG. There may be minor changes needed to the SAR. Before posting the SAR for public comment, the team will seek comment from the ORS on the business case.

5. Future Meetings (*Italics not confirmed*)

January 28–29 from 9 a.m.–5 p.m. and 9 a.m.–noon in Houston, TX at the NAESB Offices

February or March timeframe — Conference Call to review and approve SAR

April 28–29 from 9 a.m.–5 p.m. and 9 a.m.–noon in Carmel, IN at the MISO Offices — to respond to Comments

6. Adjourn

The drafting team adjourned at approximately 4:40 p.m. on December 10, 2008.