

## **Transmission Vegetation Management Standard Drafting Team**

**November 28, 2007 — 8 a.m.–5 p.m.**

**November 29, 2007 — 8 a.m.–5 p.m.**

**November 30, 2007 — 8 a.m.–noon**

**Oncor Electric Delivery Offices  
Fort Worth, Texas**

### **Meeting Notes**

#### **1) Meeting Attendees:**

- Richard Dearman
- Ron Adams
- Tom Anderson
- Paul Beaulieu
- Randall Gann
- Steve Cieslewicz
- Steve Genua
- Ed Mennella
- Dave Morrell
- John Pinney
- John Schechter
- John Tamsberg
- Steve Tankersley
- Ron Turley
- Gary White
- Ken Wright

#### **2) NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines — Harry**

Harry reviewed the NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines. It is NERC's policy and practice to obey the antitrust laws and to avoid all conduct that unreasonably restrains competition. This policy requires the avoidance of any conduct that violates, or that might appear to violate, the antitrust laws. Among other things, the antitrust laws forbid any agreement between or among competitors regarding prices, availability of service, product design, terms of sale, division of markets, allocation of customers or any other activity that unreasonably restrains competition. It is the responsibility of every NERC participant and employee who may in any way affect NERC's compliance with the antitrust laws to carry out this commitment. There were no questions.

#### **3) Comments from NERC Staff and FERC Directives — Drafting Team**

The SDT worked to address comments from NERC staff and to ensure that FERC directives have been addressed in the draft standard revision.

a) Points of discussion:

i) Purpose statement — the SDT revised the purpose to state succinctly the reliability objective of the standard.

ii) TVMP elements

(1) Inspection intervals — the SDT drafted a definition of inspection intervals and left the specific parameters for its determination to the White Paper.

(2) Minimum clearance distances — there was significant debate with respect to Clearance 2 and what the current requirement says and should say. R1.2.2 requires the determination, documentation, and maintenance of Clearance 2. There was differing opinion with regard to whether the requirement compels the TO to ensure that Clearance 2 is complied with in the field.

Another topic of debate dealt with whether an encroachment within Clearance 2 should be sanctionable.

Yet another discussion centered on the definition and purpose for Clearance 2.

(3) Personnel qualifications — the SDT emphasizes ensuring that personnel directly involved in VM work satisfies the qualifications specified by the TO in this sub-requirement.

(4) Mitigation plans — the SDT clarified this sub-requirement to compel TOs to develop and implement mitigation plans for locations that Clearance 1 is restricted from being achieved.

(5) The SDT did not change this sub-requirement.

iii) Annual work plan — the SDT set overall parameters for an annual work plan and have relegated more detailed explanation to the White Paper.

**4) Selected Date and Time for Next Meetings — Richard Dearman and Team.**

**5) Adjourn**