

## Conference Call Notes Disturbance Monitoring SDT — Project 2007-11

Thursday, January 22, 2009 | 2–4 p.m. EDT

### 1. Administrative

#### 1.1. Roll Call

Stephanie Monzon conducted roll call

- **Navin B. Bhatt** — American Electric Power (Chair)
- Felix Amarth — Georgia Transmission Corporation
- Terry L. Conrad — Concurrent Technologies Corp.
- James R. Detweiler — FirstEnergy Corp.
- Barry G. Goodpaster — Exelon Business Services Company
- Robert (Bob) Millard — ReliabilityFirst Corporation
- Steven Myers — Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc.
- Jeffrey M. Pond — National Grid
- Jack Soehren — ITC Holdings
- Stephanie Monzon — North American Electric Reliability Corporation
- Alan D. Baker — Florida Power & Light Company
- Bharat Bhargava — Southern California Edison Co.
- Daniel J. Hansen — Reliant Energy, Inc.
- Charles Jensen — JEA
- Tracy M. Lynd — Consumers Energy Co.
- Charlie Childs — Ametek Power Instruments
- Richard Dernbach — Los Angeles Department of Water & Power
- Susan McGill — PJM
- Larry E. Smith — Alabama Power Company
- Willy Haffecke — Springfield Missouri City Utilities

Observers:

- Richard Ferner — WAPA
- Sam Ciccone — FirstEnergy
- Anthony Jablonski — RFC

### 2. NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines

Stephanie Monzon reviewed the NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines with the group.

### **3. Standard and Documents for Posting — Discuss NERC Staff Review**

NERC staff conducted another review of the draft standard prior to posting on January 16, 2009 and provided some comments.

- Stephanie gave a brief overview of the NERC staff review of the documents for posting. Stephanie indicated that once the comment form and other documents are revised she will send Maureen Long the documents for one final pass (to check spelling, etc.) for posting early next week.
- Navin added to the discussion that the comments were formatting comments to the standard. Barry, Jim, and Navin worked on incorporating the comments into the draft standard. Navin extended his thanks to the team and to the folks that helped address the NERC staff comments.
- The team indicated that their preference is for a 45-day posting.
- Bob Millard added that the team should consider an informal WebEx presentation of the standard during the posting of the standard.

### **4. Discussion Technical Paper**

- The team will discuss the approach for the technical paper and refine the outline.
- From December 2008 notes:
  - Top 100 buses — add this to the technical paper. Chuck and Felix suggested that we need similar analysis for the regions but will propose language based on the FRCC top 100 buses. It may be helpful for the other members of the drafting team look into the top 100 for their regions. Create a spreadsheet to either include or append to the technical paper that includes top 100 buses by region.
    - Chuck will propose a spreadsheet for FRCC. This will help to collect this information for the other regions.
    - Larry Smith and Felix to determine if a conclusion can be made by the data collected.
    - **Due by February 16, 2009.**
  - Include event analysis experience and any conclusions that may be drawn from historical events (the August 14 blackout, etc.). Navin Bhatt and Tracy will work on proposed language and may reach out to Bob Cummings.
    - Chuck indicated that the NERC Blackout report on the Web site (major outages) does not include facilities under 200kV

that contributed to the outages. Chuck will send the report to Navin.

- Navin and Tracy will work on collecting more information for this section. **Due by February 16, 2009**
  - Include the impact of under voltage load shedding and special protection system on DME thresholds. Richard and Larry Smith will do some research on this to determine if it is in fact impactful.
  - Include critical clearing time (on bus level very short) — recognized locations where we need to reduce back up clearing. Chuck will do some research and try to collect information.
    - Chuck will work on the clearing times for FRCC. This will help to collect this information for the other regions.
  - Stability
    - Felix to send an e-mail

#### 5. Conduct Go or No-go Decision for the February in-person Meeting in Tampa, FL (FRCC Offices)

- The team does not think that meeting in February will be productive given that the comments are soliciting concepts for the technical paper.
- March 30 from 1–5 p.m.; March 31 from 8 a.m.–5 p.m. and April 1, 2009 from 8 a.m.–5 p.m. for an in person meeting at the FRCC offices.
- February 10 from 1–3 p.m. EST SDT conference call to discuss.

#### 6. Action Items

Action Items	Status:	Assigned To:
The group must resolve how to develop requirements for maintenance and testing of disturbance monitoring equipment (DME). Possible options include, adding maintenance and testing requirements to the draft PRC-002 standard, asking the Standards Committee to transfer the maintenance and testing requirements to the standard drafting team (SDT) for Project 2007-17 Protection System Maintenance and Testing, or some other solution. Ultimately, the maintenance and testing requirements for DME should “look and feel” like the maintenance and testing requirements developed by the SDT for Project 2007-17 Protection System Maintenance and Testing.	<p><b>In Progress</b></p> <p><b>This issue will be addressed in the comment form to solicit industry feedback on how to proceed.</b></p> <p><b>Discussed at the 12/08/08 call:</b></p> <p><b>The team reviewed the status of the issue clarifying that the team was going to post the standard and solicit industry feedback on omitting these requirements. The team would use this feedback to propose an alternate to the SC or NERC staff — possibly create a supplemental to SAR to the Maintenance project.</b></p>	All
Navin to lead a small group in drafting the <b>measures</b> for the	<b>Open (remains open until we</b>	Navin Bhatt, Jack

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requirements. Jack Soehren, Felix Amarh, and Barry Goodpaster volunteered to assist Navin.	<b>post)</b>	Soehren, Felix Amarh, and Barry Goodpaster
Steve Myers, Larry Brusseau, and Bob Millard to draft the <b>VRFs and VSLs</b> .	<b>Open (remains open until we post)</b>	Steve Myers, Larry Brusseau, and Bob Millard
Chuck, Jim, and Alan will be proposing language for R5.1 and R5.2.	<b>Completed</b>	Chuck, Alan, and Jim.
Willy will review the comment form to ensure that references to the standard are still correct.	<b>Completed</b>	Willy H.
Jim will look over the mapping form to ensure that references to the standard are still correct.	<b>Completed</b>	Jim D.
Technical Paper Action Items: Top 100 Buses: Chuck will propose a spreadsheet for FRCC. This will help to collect this information for the other regions. Larry Smith, and Felix to determine if conclusion can be made by the data collected. By — February 16, 2009	<b>New — created 1/22/08</b>	Chuck, Felix, and Larry Smith
Technical Paper Action Item: Event Analysis: Navin and Tracy will work on looking at the NERC Blackout report (see notes above) and other reports to collect information for the technical paper. By — February 16, 2009	<b>New — created 1/22/08</b>	Navin and Tracy
Technical Paper Action Item: pmu: Navin will research where these facilities are located to see if it makes sense to include this topic in the technical paper.	<b>New — created 1/22/08</b>	Navin

## 7. Next Steps

## 8. Adjourn

## Attachment 1 Antitrust Guidelines

### I. General

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.

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- Discussions involving pricing information, especially margin (profit) and internal cost information and participants' expectations as to their future prices or internal costs.
- Discussions of a participant's marketing strategies.
- Discussions regarding how customers and geographical areas are to be divided among competitors.
- Discussions concerning the exclusion of competitors from markets.
- Discussions concerning boycotting or group refusals to deal with competitors, vendors or suppliers.
- Any other matters that do not clearly fall within these guidelines should be reviewed with NERC's General Counsel before being discussed.

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- Matters relating to the impact of reliability standards for the bulk power system on electricity markets, and the impact of electricity market operations on the reliability of the bulk power system.
- Proposed filings or other communications with state or federal regulatory authorities or other governmental entities.
- Matters relating to the internal governance, management and operation of NERC, such as nominations for vacant committee positions, budgeting and assessments, and employment matters; and procedural matters such as planning and scheduling meetings.