

Conference Call Notes for Project 2010-11

TPL Table 1

1. Administrative Items

a. Introductions and Quorum

The Chair brought the call to order at 1300 EST on Friday, January 14, 2011.
Call participants were:

Darrin Church	Bill Harm	Doug Hohlbaum, Vice Chair
Bob Jones	Ron Mazur	Tom Mielnik
John Odom, Chair	Bernie Pasternack	Bob Pierce
Chifong Thomas	Dana Walters	Ray Kershaw, Observer
Ruth Kloecker, Observer	Charles Long, Observer	Steve Rueckert, Observer
Hari Singh, Observer	Eugene Blick, FERC Observer	Ron LeComte, FERC Observer
Ed Dobrowolski, NERC		

b. NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines & Conference Call Warning – Ed Dobrowolski

There were no questions on the NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines and the open conference call warning was delivered.

c. Conference Call Agenda and Objectives — John Odom

The objective of the call was to finalize the response to comments.

2. Discuss Industry Comments & Develop Responses to Initial Ballot

John prepared and issued draft responses to feedback received via the ballot and concurrent comment form. Additionally, John prepared a summary overview of common issues raised in the comments. This information was used as the basis for these discussions.

The general tone of the responses fell into 4 major categories:

- Stakeholder process isn't needed
 - The SDT believes the process is required and sees no reason to change the text in this regard.
- Confusion on the use of Interruptible and DSM
 - To clarify the statements, the SDT re-ordered the text.
- Preamble not required
 - The preamble sets the tone and does no harm so the SDT retained it.
- Footnote is too lenient
 - The majority of the industry does not agree with this comment and no change was made in this area.
- Interruption of firm transfers
 - Clarify if the interruption should be reserved for adjustments preparing for the “next contingency”
 - Confusion over “no loss of demand” potentially being in conflict with other footnote b statements

The SDT addressed each of these points in the responses.

The curtailment of firm transfers received the bulk of the attention during discussions. Some commenters thought the proposal was watering down the existing footnote as the existing requirement is to prepare for the next contingency and they felt that the proposal was pre-contingency. However, the text of the proposed footnote clearly says it is post-contingency so no change is required.

Southern felt that the proposed wording allowed an entity to re-dispatch units that were not obligated to re-dispatch. The SDT changed the words ‘coupled with’ to ‘achieved through’ to clarify their intent was never to force units to re-dispatch if they weren’t obligated to do so. The SDT also pointed out that re-dispatch is just one option.

Manitoba Hydro commented that wording should be added to clarify that a stakeholder process to review Load curtailment should only be required in jurisdictions where one existed or was required. In Canada, there are no stakeholder processes involved in the planning effort. Any stakeholder involvement comes in at the rate level. However, the SDT believes that such a process should be part of a continent-wide standard and declined to change the wording.

3. Next Steps — John Odom

Only simple clarifying changes were made with no change in context so the SDT will request that the Standards Committee approve moving this project forward to recirculation status.

A small group (John, Doug, Dana, Charles, and Ed will begin working on the transfer of the footnote 'b' wording to TPL-001-2 so that Project 2006-02 is ready to go as soon as the recirculation ballot for footnote 'b' is completed.

If an SDT member has any comments on the responses or footnote text changes, they should be distributed to the mail list no later than noon EST on Wednesday, January 19, 2011.

4. Action Items and Schedule – Ed Dobrowolski

There were no action items developed during this call.

The project will be on schedule if the recirculation ballot takes place by the end of January.

5. Adjourn

The Chair adjourned the call at 1600 EST.