

Meeting Notes

Assess Transmission Future Needs SDT — Project 2006-02

1. Administrative Items

a. Introductions and Quorum

The Chair called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. EST on Tuesday, February 10, 2009 at the offices of Georgia Power in Atlanta, GA. Meeting participants were:

Darrin Church	Bill Harm	Doug Hohlbaugh
Julius Horvath	Bob Jones	Brian Keel
Ron Mazur	Tom Mielnik	John Odom, Chair
Bernie Pasternack	Bob Pierce	Chifong Thomas
Jim Useldinger	Dana Walters	Tom Gentile, Observer
Ray Kershaw, Observer	Charles Long, Observer	Bob Snow, FERC Observer
Yuri Tsimberg, Observer	Stuart Hansen, FERC Observer	Ed Dobrowolski, NERC

b. NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines – Ed Dobrowolski

There were no questions raised on the NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines.

c. Agenda and Objectives — John Odom

The goal is to finish the documents required for the third posting as quickly as possible.

An item was added to the agenda to discuss the upcoming changes to the standards development process.

2. Standards Development Process – Ed Dobrowolski

The NERC BOT will be voting this week on changes to the method in which compliance elements are developed for a standard. The SDT will still be responsible for drafting compliance elements but balloting on a standard will be split into two pieces – a binding ballot on requirements and a non-binding vote on compliance elements. NERC staff will take the compliance element results and finalize the compliance elements prior to submittal to the BOT without further industry comment.

3. Finalize VRF and Time Horizons

The suggested VRF were all based on the previous discussions and poll results. In general, work elements received a Medium VRF while administrative elements received Low. No High VRF was assigned. It was previously agreed that all sub-requirements aligned with the VRF for the main requirements so no sub-requirement VRF were necessary.

Time Horizons are all Long-term Planning which is not to be confused with the SDT definition of Long-Term Transmission Planning Horizon.

4. Finalize Data Retention

In general, data retention was tied to audit periods except for model retention which is just for the current model plus one previous model. This was done because keeping old models was not seen as a productive exercise since they become somewhat useless over time.

5. Review & Finalize Response to Industry Comments

The SDT only reviewed those items in questions 7 and 15 that were marked for full team discussion by the sub-teams. All other responses are to be reviewed by SDT members on their own time.

a. Q7 – Doug Hohlbaugh

Changes had been made to the response concerning P5 based on the discussions during the last SDT conference call. Minor changes were made to this wording during the meeting but the basic content of the response was accepted.

Steady State plus Stability header note ‘e’: This will be a combination of Stability note ‘a’ plus the old Requirement R3.2.2.2.

Steady State plus Stability header note ‘d’: This note was incorrectly deleted and has been restored. A question was raised as to whether this was lowering the bar. The SDT doesn’t feel that it does and any further change would unduly restrict the options available to the planner.

Requirement R2.10 was added to accommodate the FERC Order 693 paragraph 1818 directive.

Question 7 was finalized during the meeting.

b. Q15 – Darrin Church

Requirement R3.3 was deleted due to the re-wording of Requirement R3.1. Requirement R5.3 was changed as well. Responses will have to be altered accordingly.

Footnote 10 was changed slightly.

You can't just respond to a commenter that the SDT is doing what FERC Order 693 states. The response must indicate that the SDT is in agreement with the position cited.

The response on costs should be changed to indicate sensitivity to costs.

P5 was changed to show that a 3 phase fault doesn't apply to DC.

The Year One definition was changed as per the suggestion by Tom Gentile.

Darrin will put the responses into the comment form.

AI – Darrin to complete work on question 15 and submit the official comment form.

6. Finalize Measures

'Assumptions' were added to Requirement R2.

'Neighboring systems' was changed to 'adjacent Planning Coordinators...' to agree with FERC Order 693 paragraphs 1754 – 1755 in Requirement R8.

7. Finalize VSL

R2 & R3 were completed. R5 should follow R3. Other VSL will be reviewed by a sub-team of Doug, John, and Ed for final review by the SDT during the next conference call.

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8. Finalize Implementation Plan – Bernie Pasternack

Time constraints prevented discussion on this item.

9. Develop Question Set for Third Posting

The suggestion was made to craft a single question for each requirement that would encompass all elements of a requirement: requirement itself, measure, data retention,

and VSL. There will also need to be a question on the definitions as well as one addressing the one table concept.

10. Next Steps – John Odom

Another conference call has been added to the schedule. The goal is to submit the documents to NERC staff in early March.

11. Next Meetings

- a. There will be a conference call and web ex on Wednesday, February 18, 2009 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. EST.
- b. There will be a conference call and web ex on Monday, March 9, 2009 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. EST as needed to perform any final cleanup for the third posting.

Details will be supplied at a later date.

12. Action Items and Schedule – Ed Dobrowolski

The following action items were developed at this meeting:

- Darrin to complete work on question 15 and submit the official comment form.
- Other VSL will be reviewed by a sub-team of Doug, John, and Ed for final review by the SDT during the next conference call.

The project continues to fall behind schedule. It is now approximately 2 months later and counting for the third posting.

13. Adjourn

The Chair thanked Southern Company/Georgia Power for their hospitality and adjourned the meeting at noon EST on Thursday, February 12, 2009.