

Meeting Notes

Assess Transmission Future Needs SDT — Project 2006-02

1. Administrative Items

a. Introductions and Quorum

The Chair brought the call to order at 1:00 p.m. EST on Wednesday, February 18, 2009. Call participants were:

Bill Harm	Doug Hohlbaugh	Julius Horvath
Bob Jones	Tom Mielnik	John Odom, Chair
Bob Pierce	Chifong Thomas	Jim Useldinger
Dana Walters	Ray Kershaw, Observer	Curt Stepanek, Observer
Ed Dobrowolski, NERC		

b. NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines – Ed Dobrowolski

No issues were raised on the NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines.

c. Conference Call Agenda and Objectives — John Odom

The goal of the call was to finalize the VSL and to create the basic list of questions for the next posting.

2. Finalize VSL

The VSL for R2 & R3 were finalized in Atlanta. R4 is being deleted from the next posting so no VSL is required.

The VSL for R5 (Stability) was patterned after the approved VSL for R3 (Steady State). The SDT accepted the VSL for R5. As a result of the discussion on R5 VSL, the text of R5.3 was altered to mirror the changes made in Atlanta to R3.3. In addition, the overly long first sentence of R3.5, R3.6, R5.5, and R5.6 was split into two more coherent sentences.

The SDT accepted the VSL for R6, R7, and R8 with only minor wording changes for clarity.

The VSL for R1 was accepted after some discussion which pointed out that this was not an accuracy issue but simply a representation issue as clearly stated in the requirement.

3. Finalize Implementation Plan

There was considerable debate as to where the Implementation Plan should ‘stop’. Should it include time for construction to meet the new requirements or simply address the documentation issues? If it is to go beyond documentation, how do you determine the timeframe required?

The existing draft reflects the responses provided to industry comments from the second posting and any changes to the plan will need to be reflected back to the comment responses.

The SDT was not unanimous in their opinion on how to answer these questions. Some felt that an interim period would be required to allow for situations where performance can’t be met due to circumstances outside the planner’s control. A sub-group consisting of John, Dana, Doug, and Chifong will look into language to address this interim period issue. This language may need to be in both the requirement text and the Implementation Plan.

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Further review of the Implementation Plan will be suspended until the interim period issue is resolved.

4. Develop Question Set for Third Posting

It was decided to frame one question for each requirement that would include the requirement itself, VRF, Time Horizon, measure, data retention, and VSL. Hopefully, this will allow for a more coordinated response mechanism when answering the industry comments from this posting.

In addition, there should be specific questions on:

- Definitions
- Footnote 5 & 10
- Implementation Plan

Ed will write the first draft of the questions and have them ready for review by the next conference call.

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5. Next Steps – John Odom

The group still needs to see the complete set of responses to question 15. Darrin was unable to participate in this call but he did send in a progress report that indicated that he would probably have a draft out for review sometime next week.

6. Next Meetings

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. Call details will be supplied.

7. Action Items and Schedule – Ed Dobrowolski

The following action items were developed during this call:

- John, Dana, Doug, and Chifong will look into language to address this interim period issue and have it ready for review by the entire SDT by the next conference call.
- Ed will write the first draft of the questions and have them ready for review by the next conference call.

This project is now approximately three months behind schedule and continuing to slip.

8. Adjourn

The Chair adjourned the call at 3:30 p.m. EST.