

# Minutes-**DRAFT**

## Essential Reliability Services Working Group

### WebEx Meeting

November 6, 2017 | 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. Central Time

**Meeting Location:**  
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#### **WebEx November 6<sup>th</sup> Meeting**

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#### **Agenda Items**

Monday, November 6, 2017

**1:00 – 1:30 PM (times are listed consistent with agenda, not of the actual discussion)**

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##### **1. Administrative**

- a. Welcome and Introductions – Brian Evans-Mongeon, ERSWG Co-Chair
- b. NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines – Nicole Segal, NERC Staff
- c. Chairs Reports– Brian Evans-Mongeon, Todd Lucas ERSWG Co-Chairs
  - i. Chairs' comments including from the morning leadership session
    - (1) Brian and Todd welcomed the group and highlighted the progress toward meeting end-of-year objectives.
  - ii. Review September 13th, 2017 Meeting Minutes –
    - (1) The September 13th meeting minutes were accepted as final.
  - iii. Review Nov 6th Agenda (make changes as necessary)
    - (1) The draft agenda was accepted without changes.
  - iv. Next meeting confirmation/Future Meetings –
    - (1) December 13th, 2017, 1-3 PM, Atlanta, GA (Ritz Carlton)
- d. In-Person Leadership Meeting Only

## 1:30-2:15 PM

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### 2. Measures 1 – Measures 4 Frequency Response Update – Frequency Subgroup

- a. Measures 2 and 4 updates relative to the historical perspectives from each of the interconnections and the advancing the data into the State Of Reliability processes and updates from Nov 1-2, 2017 RS meeting.
  - i. The Resource Subcommittee (RS) Chair Troy Blalock reviewed with the ERSWG the RS's substantive changes in the technical brief. The changes were needed to enhance the clarity of the draft technical document. Troy Blalock reported that the RS accepted the Measures 1, 2 and 4 historic technical brief unanimously at the RS November 2nd meeting. Brian Evans-Mongeon requested that the ERSWG approve the technical brief prior to its submission to the OC-PC standing committees for comments. The ERSWG approved the document without opposition. The policy sub-group will now prep the final draft of the high-level policy brief on historic looking ERS Measures 1, 2 and 4. Brian Evans-Mongeon indicated with these actions, the ERSWG is on schedule with its goals to obtain PC and OC approval on the technical brief and policy brief at the December standing committee member meetings.
- b. There was no update on Measure 3 from the RS Nov 1-2, 2017 meeting (if needed)
  - i. No update at this time.

## 2:15 – 2:45 PM

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### 3. Measure 6 BA Level Net Demand Ramping Variability – Ramping Subgroup

- a. Update on future ramping document for LTRA (coordination with RAS on their Nov 13-15 meeting)
  - i. Rodney O'Bryant reported that a draft copy of the future looking technical brief for Measure 6 had been created and sent out to the ramping sub-group for their feedback. Rodney has received feedback from the sub-group and is in the process of incorporating the feedback. Rodney plans to present the draft of the forward looking technical brief for Measure 6 at the Reliability Assessments Subcommittee (RAS) meeting that will take place on November 14-16, 2017. The next steps will be for the ramping sub-group leadership to work with the RAS to finalize the technical brief prior to the end of December 2017. Rodney will provide an update on the Measure 6 future looking technical brief at the December 13th ERSWG leadership meeting. After the document is approved by the ERS and RAS, the brief will go before the OC-PC for their comments and acceptance.

## 2:45 –3:30 PM

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### 4. Distributed Energy Resources – DER Subgroup

- a. Update on draft technical brief/reliability guide to provide guidance on DER data needs for TPs, BAs, & TOPs/RCs.
  - i. Rich Hydzik presented an update on the status of the DER reliability guideline for data collection. An overview of the purpose of the guideline and improvements (i.e. add tables,

figures, etc.) that will be made to include feedback from the industry was discussed. The guideline has been sent to industry members, including the North American Transmission Forum (NATF), for their feedback. Once the industry and NATF feedback has been received, Rich will integrate the feedback and circulate a new draft to the DER sub-group. NERC staff and the Policy Sub-group will also review the draft guideline and add statements about NERC's jurisdiction and the importance of the impacts of DER on the transmission system where needed. A final version of the guideline is anticipated for review by the ERS leadership team at the December 13<sup>th</sup> 2017 leadership meeting. After the document is approved by the ERS the guideline will be presented to the OC-PC for their approval to post the reliability guideline for a 45-day industry commenting period ([Link to PC Charter: Approval Process for Reliability Guidelines](#)).

### **3:30 – 3:45 PM Break**

### **3:45 –4:15 PM**

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#### **5. Load Forecasting Progress Survey – John Simonelli**

- a. Update on coordination with RAS and sending survey out to BA's for completion.
  - i. John Simonelli reported that the survey has been updated to include all revisions from ERS and that the survey is currently with NERC Planning Committee (PC) for further processing. The survey is not on the RAS November 14-16, 2017 agenda. However, the PC and ERSWG leadership will work together to determine the best method for the survey to be delivered to the industry and an update on this activity will be provided at the December 13<sup>th</sup> leadership meeting.

### **4:15 –4:45 PM**

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#### **6. Policy Subcommittee – Policy Subgroup**

- a. Technical Briefs and Briefs for Regulators and Policymakers
  - i. Historic Looking Measures 1 through 4
    - (1) The ERSWG approved the document without opposition. The policy subgroup is now working on prepping the final draft of the high-level policy brief on historic looking ERS Measures 1, 2 and 4. ERSWG is on schedule with its goals to obtain PC and OC approval on the technical brief and brief for regulators and policymakers at the December standing committee member meetings.
  - ii. Historic Looking Measure 6
    - (1) The policy subgroup incorporated all necessary feedback from the OC and PC into the the historic looking technical brief for Measure 6. The final version of the document will be provided to the OC and PC at the December standing committee member meetings for their acceptance. If the OC and PC accept the document it will be posted to the ERSWG website.
- b. Update on development of technical brief for forward looking Measures 1 through 4 analysis methods.

- i. There was no update on the technical brief for Measures 1 through on a forward looking basis.
- c. Provide updates on reaching out to regulators and policymakers and any other on-going activities.
  - (1) Dave Canter and Mark Ahlstrom reported on their efforts to reach out to regulators and policymakers activities with MRC. MRC feedback was positive.

**4:45 – 5:00 PM**

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**7. Other Measures, Open Issues and New Items**

- a. There were no items identified in the roundtable and for parking lot discussions.
- b. Reminder next meeting:
  - i. December 13th, 2017, 1-3 PM, Atlanta, GA (Ritz Carlton)
    - (1) In-Person Leadership Meeting Only

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