

Conference Call Notes Assess Transmission Future Needs SDT — Project 2006-02

Wednesday, May 21, 2008 | noon–3 p.m. EDT

1. Administrative Items

a. Introductions and Quorum

The Chair brought the call to order at noon EDT on Wednesday, May 21, 2008.
Call participants were:

Darrin Church	Bill Harm	Doug Hohlbaugh
Bob Jones	Brian Keel	Tom Mielnik
Bob Millard, Vice Chair	John Odom, Chair	Bernie Pasternack
Bob Pierce	Paul Rocha	Chifong Thomas
Yury Tsimberg	Dana Walters	Tom Gentile, Observer
Daniela Hammons, Observer	Bob Snow, Observer	Charles Long, Entergy, Guest
Steve Rueckert, WECC, Guest	Ed Dobrowolski, NERC	

b. NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines — Ed Dobrowolski

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

c. Conference Call Agenda and Objectives — John Odom

There were four goals for this call: (1) finalize the draft roadmap for forwarding to NERC staff, (2) finalize the question set, (3) get an update on comment responses from the sub-team leaders, and (4) set dates for additional meetings.

2. Finalize TPL-001-1 Including Tables

No changes are being made at this time for grammar or semantics. Those types of changes will either be picked up during the NERC staff review or be held for the third posting.

Protection system issues will be left for the third posting as there is no quick and easy solution. It will be placed on the Tempe agenda. The SDT may place a note in the background to questions explaining this position.

The May 7th version of the text was reviewed for any show stoppers. Minor corrections were made to requirements R2.5, R3.3.2.2, and R4. The revised document was distributed via the mail server.

The May 5th version of the performance tables was reviewed for any major problems. There is some inconsistency in the column headings that needs to be straightened out. After the corrections are made, the revised document will be distributed via the mail server.

Action Item — Ed will correct the column headings in the performance tables to provide consistency.

The documents will be sent to NERC staff for review.

3. Finalize Question Set for Second Posting — Paul Rocha

In general, the SDT replaced Plant Stability with Generating Unit Stability. There needs to be a global search and replace for these terms.

Action Item — Ed will replace Plant Stability with Generating Unit Stability on a global basis.

Discussion of question 8 raised several issues. After review, the SDT decided that the performance tables were correct but that the question background information was incorrect. Sub-team #3 will craft new words for the second part of this question no later than Friday, May 23, 2008.

Action Item — Sub-team #3 will craft new words for the second part of question #8 no later than Friday, May 23, 2008.

In question #10, the term ‘independent doubles’ should be replaced by ‘two overlapping single Contingencies’. This same change needs to be made in the performance tables.

Action Item — Ed will do a global replacement of ‘independent doubles’ with ‘two overlapping single Contingencies’.

Questions 11 through 14 need to be re-written to emphasize the additional incremental costs versus the improvement in reliability.

Action Item — Bob M. will re-write questions 11 through 14 to emphasize the additional incremental costs and improvements in reliability.

Questions 19 and 20 follow along with questions 11 through 14 and should be restructured in a similar fashion.

Action Item — Bob M. will restructure questions 19 and 20 to match the new wording in questions 11 through 14.

4. Finalize Comment Responses — Sub-Team Leaders

Paul: Sub-team #1 has a conference call scheduled for May 27, 2008 and will have the final draft distributed no later than May 30, 2008.

Bob M.: Sub-team #2 has one more conference call scheduled and will have its final draft distributed no later than May 28, 2008.

Chifong: Sub-team #3 expects to have its draft out no later than May 25, 2008.

Bernie: Sub-team #4 has completed its assignment.

Ed will cut and paste the individual sub-team responses into a master document and perform a final sanity check. Since these response documents have been distributed through the mail server multiple times, no additional team review is planned.

5. Next Steps — John Odom

There will be a TPL Workshop in Toronto, ON, Canada on Tuesday, June 3, 2008 from 1–4 p.m. EDT in conjunction with the PC Meeting. There have been 48 people who have registered to date. Dana and Steve will be in attendance. Yury, Doug, and Tom G. may be able to attend. John distributed the agenda for the Workshop via the mail server and will attempt to do the same with the presentation slides prior to the Workshop.

The roadmap document will be sent to NERC staff for review as soon as possible while the SDT finalizes the question set and the comment responses. The goal is to have the second posting by the end of June.

6. Next Meetings

- a.** Face-to-face meeting on Tuesday, June 24, 2008 and Wednesday, June 25, 2008 from 8 a.m.–5 p.m. PDT (both days) in Tempe, AZ. The meeting announcement has been distributed.
- b.** Conference call and WebEx on Thursday, July 17, 2008 from 11 a.m.–2 p.m. EDT. Details to follow.
- c.** Face-to-face meeting on Tuesday, July 29, 2008 and Wednesday, July 30, 2008 from 8 a.m.–5 p.m. EDT (both days) in Westborough, MA. The meeting announcement has been distributed.
- d.** Face-to-face meeting on Tuesday, August 26, 2008 and Wednesday, August 27, 2008 in Chattanooga, TN hosted by TVA. Details to follow.

7. Action Items and Schedule — Ed Dobrowolski

The following action items were developed during this call:

- Ed will correct the column headings in the performance tables to provide consistency.
- Ed will replace Plant Stability with Generating Unit Stability on a global basis.
- Sub-team #3 will craft new words for the second part of question #8 no later than Friday, May 23, 2008.
- Ed will do a global replacement of ‘independent doubles’ with ‘two overlapping single Contingencies’.
- Bob M. will re-write questions 11 through 14 to emphasize the additional incremental costs and improvements in reliability.
- Bob M. will restructure questions 19 and 20 to match the new wording in questions 11 through 14.

The work continues to lag behind the posted schedule by about one month. There is considerable pressure being exerted to keep to the posted schedules.

8. Adjourn

The Chair adjourned the call at 1515 EDT.