



October 5, 2011
 Texas RE Office
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Administrative

1. Introduction and Attendance

Vice Chair Marguerite Wagner welcomed the participants to the meeting. The attendees were as follows (RSC members shown in bold font):

Name	Company	Sector	Present	Called-in
Rick Keetch (Chair)	NRG Power Marketing	Load Serving & Marketing		
Marguerite Wagner (Vice Chair)	Edison Mission Marketing & Trading	Generation	X	
Steve Myers	ERCOT	System Coord & Planning	X	
Vann Weldon (Alternate)	ERCOT	System Coord & Planning		
John Brockhan	CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric	Transmission/ Distribution		
Paul Johnson	American Electric Power Service Corp	Transmission/ Distribution	X	
Barry Kremling	Guadalupe Valley Electric Cooperative	Cooperative	X	
Richard McLeon	South Texas Electric Cooperative	Cooperative	X	
David Detelich	CPS Energy	Municipal		
Jose Escamilla (Alternate)	CPS Energy	Municipal		
Frank Owens	Texas Municipal Power Agency	Municipal	X	
Billy Shaw	IPA Trading	Generation		
Venona Greaff (Alternate)	GDF SUEZ Energy Marketing NA	Generation		
Jeremy Carpenter	Tenaska Power Services	Load Serving & Marketing		
Tim Soles (Alternate)	Occidental	Load Serving & Marketing		
Walter Reid	Wind Coalition		X	
Brian Bartos	Bandera Electric Cooperative		X	
Andrew Gallo	Austin Energy		X	
Gerry Nunan	Schneider Engineering		X	
Billy McCranor	Tenaska Power Services			X
Sydney Niemeyer	NRG			X
Bruce Wertz	Power Utility Compliance Consultants			X
Karin Schweitzer	LCRA			X
Sandip Sharma	ERCOT			X
Alton Aars	TNMP			X
Barb Nutter	NERC			X
Pam Zdenek	BP			X
Susan Vincent	Texas Reliability Entity			X
Don Jones	Texas Reliability Entity		X	
Natalie Mazey	Texas Reliability Entity		X	

At least one representative from four of the six sectors is required to constitute a quorum. At this meeting, a quorum was achieved with at least one representative from 5 of the segments being present. The Load Serving and Marketing segment was not represented at the meeting.

Antitrust Admonition & Meeting Minutes

The Texas Reliability Entity (Texas RE) Antitrust Admonition was displayed and reviewed for the members. Marguerite Wagner reminded participants that it is Texas RE policy to obey the antitrust laws and to avoid all conduct that unreasonably restrains competition.

2. *Approval of August 5, 2011 Meeting Minutes*

The August 5, 2011 meeting minutes were presented for committee members. There were no comments or changes suggested. A motion was made by Richard McLeon to approve the minutes. Paul Johnson seconded. Motion carried by a voice vote. The August 2011 minutes were approved.

3. *Announcements*

Texas RE staff made several announcements about upcoming Texas RE and NERC activities.

Discussion and Activities

4. *Report from NERC Standards Review Subcommittee (B.Wertz)*

Bruce Wertz gave an update on NSRS activities and provided information on the results of recent NERC ballots. He informed the group that 13 new standards have been approved by FERC and went into effect on October 1, 2011.

Bruce informed participants that a subgroup of the NSRS had drafted comments on [Project 2010-17 – Bulk Electric System Definition](#) and will submit these comments to NERC on behalf of the subcommittee.

The NSRS group continues to meet every 2-3 weeks to discuss various Standards Under Development and related issues. The next NSRS teleconferences will be held on October 17 and October 31.

5. *BAL-001-TRE-1 – Primary Frequency Response in the ERCOT Region (D.Jones)*

The result of the first ballot period of regional standard BAL-001-TRE-1 – Primary Frequency Response was presented to the RSC. Don Jones gave a brief overview of the voting results stating that the ballot had failed to obtain the 2/3 affirmative vote needed to pass. He explained that wind generators generally voted against the standard with a 16

to 3 ratio. The municipals, cooperatives, and load serving markets were determinative in the ballot result as the voting entities each carried a substantial sector-weighted vote.

Don highlighted the Texas RE Standard Development Process for when a ballot fails to receive a 2/3 sector-weighted vote. He explained that the Standard Drafting Team has several options to move forward, but all require RSC approval.

Several issues were discussed, including conversation as to why entities voted against this standard. Walter Reid explained that there is confusion on whether this standard was retroactive or only applies to new facilities. Don explained that the standard has a 3 year implementation plan for existing facilities. The RSC continued discussing this standard at some length and did not take any action. The RSC plans to consider next steps after the SAR-003 Standard Drafting Team meeting on October 19.

The next SAR-003 SDT will meeting October 19 at the Texas RE Offices located at 805 Las Cimas Parkway, Suite 200, Austin, TX 78746. This meeting is open to the public and all interested parties are invited to attend. The SDT will meet to respond to comments received during the ballot, and it will continue to work on developing a standard to ensure reliable Primary Frequency Response in the ERCOT Region using the consensus-based process.

6. *Review FERC orders issued in September (D. Jones)*

Don announced that FERC recently approved six actions (Orders and NOPRs) relating to NERC matters and electric reliability at its meeting on September 15, and he briefly reviewed the items. The approved Final Orders, Notices of Proposed Rulemakings, and Interpretations can be viewed on the [FERC website](#).

7. *Vote to withdraw SAR-002 and disband SDT (B. Bartos)*

Brian Bartos gave a presentation on the history of Regional Standard Development Project SAR-002, Underfrequency Loadshedding (UFLS), and highlighted efforts by the standard drafting team (SDT) through the last few years. He explained that early drafts of continent-wide standard PRC-006-01 contemplated that each region would develop a regional UFLS standard, based on criteria contained in the NERC standard. By spring 2009, however, the continent-wide draft standard had been revised such that it did not require regional standards to support it.

After considering the NERC standards, the SAR-002 SDT agreed that there is no need for a regional Underfrequency Load Shedding standard. At their August 22 meeting, the team voted to recommend withdrawing SAR-002 and disbanding the drafting team.

Frank Owens made a motion to approve withdrawing SAR-002 and disbanding the standard drafting team. Barry Kremling seconded. Motion carried by voice vote. SAR-002 is withdrawn and the SDT has been disbanded.

8. *PRC-024 – Possible Region Issues (D. Penney)*

David Penney gave a presentation on recent developments regarding the proposed PRC-024 NERC standard (Project 2007-09, Generator Performance During Frequency and

Voltage Excursions). He provided some background information on the project, and he pointed out that this standard may impose different voltage and frequency ride-through requirements than are presently required under the ERCOT protocols. He encouraged RSC members to pay attention to this project and to participate in the development process, in order to obtain a standard that is workable in our Region. Mr. Penney suggested that perhaps the proposal should be revised to allow each region to set Region-specific generator performance criteria dependent upon their specific technical requirements and existing practices.

9. Other Business

Don informed the committee that the next NERC Standards Committee meeting will be held on October 12-13.

10. Future Agenda Items

- Consider next steps the SAR-003 SDT will make on regional standard BAL-001-TRE-1.

The meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 2, 2011 at 9:30 am at the Texas RE Office.