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NERC Operating Committee Meeting

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ACE Diversity Interchange Reliability Guideline

- OC approved transition of the ACE DI White Paper into a Reliability Guideline in March 2012
- Draft Reliability Guideline posted for comment in June 2012, no changes made
- OC approved the final Reliability Guideline at the December 2012 meeting

Balancing Authority Reliability-based Control SDT

- Update on ongoing Balancing Authority ACE Limit (BAAL) field trial
- OC will provide comments to the Standards Cmte that recommends the SDT develop a final BAAL field trial report that also identifies lessons learned and the termination of the field trial in the event that BAL-001 does not successfully pass ballot

Arizona-California Outages- Causes and Recommendations

- OC reviewed WECCs efforts to address the report recommendations
- OC discussed several of the recommendations addressed to NERC
- OC task force will discuss several issues with ORS Subcommittee for further action

PRC-001 – System Protection Coordination - Review

- Focus discussion on use of the word “familiar” in Requirement 1
- Requirement 1 states: “Each TOP, BA, GOP shall be <u>familiar</u> with the purpose and limitations of protection system schemes applied in its area.”
- Continued discussion from September OC meeting on practices being implemented by OC members to enhance reliability around relay protection
- Followup at March 2013 OC meeting to determine how the OC might incorporate current industry practices into a reliability guideline or some other type of document

Winter Weather Readiness – Current Industry Practices Reliability Guideline

- FERC and NERC performed a joint analysis of the 2011 event and published Southwest Cold Weather Event report with recommendations
- OC addressed recommendations through the development of a draft Reliability Guideline to identify current practices across the regions
- 2 options raised for consideration by the Review Team
  - Address through standards revisions
  - Use new OC Guidelines to publish a best-practices type document
- SAR created to address GOPs developing and implementing a set of plans to mitigate operating emergencies
  - OC commented that recommendations be addressed through the Reliability Guideline
  - SAR was approved for standard consideration by NERC SC, drafting team assigned to review comments and recommend a course of action
- OC approved the draft Reliability Guideline at the December 2012 meeting, posted for industry comment

NERC IDC Related Reference Documents

- Operating Reliability Sub-cmte (ORS) reported that the NERC Interchange Distribution Calculator (IDC) WG approved the System Data Exchange (SDX) Manual and the IDCs User Manual
- As a result of these actions, the IDC WG approved a recommendation that the ORS retire the Parallel Flow Calculation Procedures, the Flowgate Administration, and the Reliability Coordinator Reference documents
- Relevant data and information contained in the 3 reference documents is now contained in NERC Reliability Standards, NAESB business practices, and/or the SDX and IDC Manuals
- OC approved retirement of the 3 documents