Operations Working Group Report

September, 2013

The Operations Working Group (OWG) met on August 21, 2013 and considered the following:

**OWG Meeting Notes Review –**

The working group reviewed and approved the July 2013 meeting notes with minor changes.

**Revision Request Review –**

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| **Synchronization with NPRR527, Required Combined Cycle Telemetry for Operational Awareness and PDCWG Analysis.** |
| Language Review |
| **OWG Action**: OWG Tabled for one monthSmiley.png |
| Discussion:  This Nodal Operating Guide Revision Request (NOGRR) synchronizes the Nodal Operating Guide with NPRR527, Required Combined Cycle Telemetry for Operational Awareness and PDCWG Analysis, requires Combined Cycle Generation Resources to telemeter individual High Sustainable Limits (HSLs) for gas and steam turbines.  The HSLs for combustion and steam turbines were previously submitted in zonal and ERCOT requests this practice be resumed in the nodal.[ERCOT] **Tabled for one month for additional language and review.** |
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| **Black Start Plan Template Revision.** |
| Language Review |
| **OWG Action**: OWG recommend approval to ROS Smiley.png |
| Discussion:  This NOGRR provides substantial additional details and clarifications to the Black Start Plan Template. [BSWG] **Recommended approval as revised by OWG.** |
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**NPRR556 Resource Adequacy during Transmission Equipment Outage** This Nodal Protocol Revision Request (NPRR) adds a requirement for the Network Operations Model so that Resources that are being served by temporary equipment can participate in the ERCOTmarket as innormal operations**. Tabled for one month. To be discussed at a special NDSWG meeting yet to be set.**

**Operations Report –**

Reviewed the report; comments/questions were answered by ERCOT personnel.

**Operations Task Force Report –**

* OTF is still working on the pending assignment. OWG would like a timeline of when action items assigned to OTF would be addressed, particularly the following:
* *Language in the Protocols indicates real -time data for reliability purposes must be accurate within 3% percent.  Language in the Operating Guides indicates voltage is to be maintained within 2% of the voltage profile.  These requirements appear to conflict with each other, even though by the hierarchal process, the Protocols supersede the Operating Guides in this case.  Additionally, language in ERCOT’s Steady State Voltage Control Procedure states that transmission voltage should not exceed 105% nor fall below 95% of the nominal voltage during normal operation of the system and that transmission voltage during emergencies (including contingency events) should not exceed equipment over excitation ratings. OTF is to review the language in the Operating Guides.*

**Seminar Task Force Report**

* No update for seminar.

**Texas RE Update Report**

* David Penney reports PRC-005; PER-005; VAR-001; VAR-002 up for comments. David Penney started discussion around operating within 2% vs. 3% data accuracy regarding voltage profile.

**System Operations Report –**

* Operating Procedure changes that impact market participants. POB 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, which consist primarily of clarifications of previous procedures. No questions were offered.

**Other –**

* Draft language was discussed revising how Misoperation reporting is conducted. Approved submission of NOGRR on behalf of OWG.

**Future Meeting Dates –**

* Wednesday, September 18th 2013 at the ERCOT Met Center room 168.