

# Operations Training Working Group (OTWG)

February 13, 2020

ERCOT 800 Airport Drive, Taylor, Building TCC 1, Room 252/WebEx

0900-1200

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Previous meeting minutes:

Motion to pass

**CURRENT/UPCOMING EVENTS**

* Electric Power HPI Symposium (9/29-10/1/2020) Denver CO <https://vimeopro.com/nerclearning/human-performance/video/384895116>

**OPERATIONS NOTICES, NOGRRs and NPRRs**

* None

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/**

* ERCOT Initial Operator Training Program **– EOCTF** 
  + Update – ON HOLD
    - Inhouse curriculum is ongoing
    - Market Participant curriculum will be revisited upon NERCs decision re: one Certification for adjustments as necessary
* ERCOT Fundamentals manual **– EOCTF**
  + Update – ON HOLD
    - Under review
    - Redlines to suggest changes/updates for incorrect/confusing information and more in-depth “how” where needed
* ERCOT Certification Exam **– EOCTF**
  + Update – ON HOLD
    - ERCOT Legal closed the exam to non-ERCOT (anyone not represented by an ERCOT market participant) <http://www.ercot.com/services/training/exams>
    - 13 of 35 passed since 01/01/2019 – 69 tests taken through December 2019
      * After 2 tries, verification of respsonbility?
* Remote testing?
  + - * + Does OTWG favor this? Approved proctoring for LMS test? Criteria for proctoring? Cost for test Facility? PSI testing $50k/year (per Sarah)
* Human Performance Improvement Task Force **– HPITF**
  + Update – B.Legg
    - Scope Document accepted
    - TF to set terms for WG by February 2020
    - Preparing NDAs for members – ERCOT Legal review
  + Gathering data from NATF/WECC presentations – OE Reports in route
    - NERC conference (03/2019) <https://www.nerc.com/pa/rrm/hp/Pages/default.aspx>
    - Feedback on NATF workshop (10/22-24/2019) Collinsville IL
* NERC PS/PCGC meeting
  + Update – E.Johnson
    - CEH program, single certification, etc.

**TRAINING EVENTS**

* Black Start and Restoration Training **– BSTTF** 
  + Update – S.Wozny
    - 2020 BST Market Notice 12/2019 – 25 CEHs (ILT)
      * **Early registration began January 13, 2020**
      * Pilot: February 25-27, 2020
      * Session 1: March 17-19
      * Session 2: March 24-26
      * Session 3: March 31-April 2
      * Session 4: April 7-9
      * Session 5: April 14-16
      * Session 6: April 21-23
* ERCOT Region Operator Training Seminar **– OTSTF** 
  + Update – S.Wozny
    - **2020 OTS Market Notice 06/2020 – 14+ CEHs (ILT)**
      * Pilot: August 11-13, 2020
      * Session 1: August 25-27
      * Session 2: September 1-3
      * Session 3: September 8-10
      * Session 4: September 15-17
      * Session 5: September 22-24
      * Session 6: September 29-October 1
* Other Training **– SWDTF** 
  + Update – E.Johnson
    - SWD to be included into OTS each year

**New Business**

* 2020 OTWG Leadership
  + Tamme Chilton, Chair with Steve Rainwater, Vice-Chair
  + ROS approval 2/6/2020
* OTWG as Closed Group
  + Enacted by majority vote
  + Incorporated into the revised Scope for ROS approval 3/5/2020
  + NDAs to follow
* REVISED OTWG Scope
  + Include status as Closed Group
  + Outline Task Forces to identify content and develop more indepth topics/scripts for MANDATORY training
* Black Start Training (BSTTF)
* Operator Training Seminar (OTSTF)
* Severe Weather Drills (SWDTF) incl. as course during OTS
* ERCOT Operator Certification (EOCTF) incl. Fundamentals review/Exam writing
* Human Performance Improvement (HPITF)
* OTWG vote on approval
* Meeting schedule
  + Jan, Feb – May, Jun, Jul – Oct, Nov, Dec (all in attendance) to accommodate Black Start Training & Operator Training Seminar/Severe Weather Drill
  + Continue monthly meetings

**Adjourn**

* Next Meeting Dates <http://www.ercot.com/committees/board/tac/ros/otwg/>
  + March 12 (9am) TCC 1, RM 252 / WebEx
  + April 9 (9am) TCC 1, RM 253 / WebEx
  + May 14 (9am) TCC 1, RM 252 / WebEx
  + June 11 (9am) TCC 1, RM 252 / WebEx
  + July 9 (9am) TCC 1, RM 252 / WebEx
  + August 20 (9am) TCC 1, RM 252 / WebEx
  + September 10 (9am) TCC 1, RM 252 / WebEx
  + October 8 (9am) TCC 1, RM 252 / WebEx
  + November 12 (9am) TCC 1, RM 252 / WebEx
  + December 3 (9am) TCC 1, RM 252 / WebEx