U.S.-Canada Power System Outage Task Force Workshop on Electric Reliability Standards

Friday, May 14, 2004 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. (EDT)

AGENDA

- 1) Opening comments by the Governmental conveners (15 minutes) Facilitator: Alison Silverstein, FERC
 - Pat Wood, III, Chairman, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
 - Dr. André Plourde, Associate Assistant Deputy Minister, Energy Policy Sector, Natural Resources Canada
 - Shane Pospisil, Assistant Deputy Minister, Office of Energy Supply and Conservation, Ontario Ministry of Energy
 - Jimmy Glotfelty, Director, Office of Electric Transmission & Distribution, Department of Energy
- 2) Status of current industry standards and policies (45 minutes) Speakers:
 - Mike Gent, President and CEO, North American Electric Reliability Council (NERC)
 - Mark Fidrych, Chairman, Operating Committee, NERC
 - Don Benjamin, Vice President, NERC
 - David Barrie, Senior Vice President, Asset Management, Hydro One Inc.
 - José Delgado, President and CEO, American Transmission Company Issues to be discussed:
 - Content of existing standards, policies and guidelines (NERC)
 - Timing of evolution into clear, ANSI-process-adopted standards Brief opportunity for audience comments
- 3) Based on the findings and recommendations of the blackout investigation, discussion of any necessary changes in the reliability standards (60 minutes) Speakers:
 - Gerry Cauley, Director of Standards, NERC
 - Dave Goulding, President and Chief Executive Officer, Independent Electricity Market Operator, Ontario
 - Brian Hewson, Manager, Energy Licensing, Ontario Energy Board
 - Gayle Mayo, Vice President, Planning & Engineering, Indiana Municipal Power Agency
 - Glenn Ross, Chairman, Planning Committee, NERC Issues to be discussed:

- Existing topics in current standards/policies/guidelines (NERC)
- Discussion of areas that require standards not currently covered in the NERC standards (NERC, FERC)
- Discussion of priorities to complete or clarify the most reliability-critical issues and standards first

Brief opportunity for audience comments

- 4) Timing and process for standards revision and development (60 minutes) Speakers:
 - Linda Campbell, Chairman, Standards Authorization Committee, NERC
 - Gerry Cauley, Staff Director for Standards Development, NERC
 - Cynthia Pointer, Electrical Engineer, FERC
 - LaChelle Brooks, Electrical Engineer, FERC

Issues to be discussed:

- Next steps, process and schedule (NERC)
- Any modifications needed to next steps, process and schedule given reliability needs?
- Appropriate role for the governments and agencies Brief opportunity for audience comments
- 5) Reliability readiness audits and other issues not covered above (30 minutes)
 - David Hilt, Vice President, Compliance, NERC
- 6) Closing comments and commitments (20 minutes)