IEEE Power Engineering Society Switchgear Committee C37.23 Working Group Report October 1, 2002

The C37.23 working group met Tuesday afternoon, October 1, in Galveston.

Co-Chair Ram Iyer called the meeting to order at 4:15PM. Six members and eleven guests were in attendance.

Mr. Iyer indicated that he was pleased to report that, thanks to a yeoman effort on the part of the task force formed in Newport, the ballot on the standard opened on October 1.

The ballot group has 64 members, with 22 users, 20 producers, 21 general interest, and 1 government representative. All in attendance were encouraged to submit their ballots as quickly as possible.

A discussion ensued regarding the application of the solar radiation guide, C37.24, to metal-enclosed bus. Questions were raised as to the compelling reason to add metal-enclosed bus to the scope of C37.24. The consensus was that the addition closed the loop since C37.23 has referenced C37.24 since the inception of C37.23. As both C37.23 and C37.24 are in the balloting process, neither can be modified by the working groups. Several in attendance indicated that removing reference to C37.24 in C37.23 would result in their voting negative on C37.23. The prevailing position is that C37.24 is merely a guide, not a standard. As such, it is the user's responsibility to determine any derating factors applicable to metal-enclosed bus to be installed at their site. Manufacturers should continue to supply product per the C37.23 standard.

Mr. Iyer again thanked the task force, especially G. Nourse, T. Olsen, and M. Wactor, for their efforts.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45PM

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WG Co-Chair October 2, 2002