



Reclosers and Other Distribution Equipment (RODE)
Subcommittee

Meeting Minutes

Calgary, Canada – October 15, 2008

Members Present:

Ray Capra
Harry Hirz
Ed Jankowich
Don Martin
Chris Ambrose
Bob Brown
Steve Meiners
Ed Steele
Bob Behl

Nenad Uzelec
Francois Soulard
Jan Zawadzki
Bill Walter
Jim Swank
Frank DeCesaro
Tim Royster
Dave Stone

Guests:

Craig Befus
Antone Bonner
Glenn Borcherd
Tim Taylor
Gerard Schoonenberg
Harm Bannink
Jodi Haasz
Mari Estep
Jeff Gieger
Connie Pascua
Larry Putman

1. CALL TO ORDER

Steve Meiners called the meeting to order at 3:47PM. There were 16 members and 11 guests present. The current RODE membership is 26, membership is in review and two to three members are being contacted.

2. INTRODUCTIONS

Members and guests introduced themselves.
IEEE Patent By-laws clause 6 & inappropriate topics are not required for sub-committee meetings.

3. MEMBERSHIP CHANGES

No membership additions were made at this meeting. Current membership is being reviewed for active participation.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Spring 2008 meeting minutes were approved without change or comment.

5. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The ADSCOM meeting has been moved to Thursday morning so nothing to report here.

Please see the ADSCOM Report for additional details of that session, a copy will be circulated to SC when received.

6. WORKING GROUP REPORTS

a) Dual Logo Reclosers Standard C37.60

C37.60 – Dave Stone

Dave Stone reported that the joint working groups met with 25/32 WG members were present.

Reviewed issues from last summer, including those from IEC CD

Approximately 2/3 of the comments were editorial.

There will be another CD ballot, therefore another IEEE ballot.

Will try to get another ballot out in the next 2 – 3 months prior to the May meeting.

Dave will present in Berlin.

There seems to be an attitude shift on dual logo towards the positive.

Normative references to North American standards are not well received in IEC.

It may be better to pull small parts of a document into the document, rather than to reference.

b) Capacitor Switch Standard C37.66

TF Chair is Harry Hirz and he reported the following.

Assignments have been made.

A PAR will be submitted to revise and harmonize with C37.100.1.

Not going for dual logo at this time.

c) Underground Switchgear Standard C37.74

Working Group Chairman Steve Meiners reported that the WG met on Monday.

The IEEE would prefer that dates be used on normative references and in the body of the text. All other standards will be moved to the bibliography

Clause 6 was briefly discussed.

Motion to remove harmonization, make needed changes get an extension, and then submit a separate PAR for harmonization.

d) Controls for Distribution Equipment PC37.68

Working Group Chairman Don Parker was not able to attend this meeting. Steve and Frank ran the meeting in the absence of Don.

C37.1 is similar and will be posted on the website.

Ed J. has sent documents from previous work by Bill Hurst.

Tim will be the vice-chair with Don Parker.

e) **Task Force on Solid Dielectric Equipment**

Task Force Chairman Chris Ambrose reported that the TF met and reported the following.

The proposed definition was presented, with comments.

Chris requested feedback on potential issues on the definition.

f) **C37.63 Automatic Sectionalizers**

Review of the standard status shows issue date of Feb 2005. Motion was made at SC to ballot this standard for reaffirmation after review for any changes required. Motion passed with unanimous vote.

7. Liaison Reports

Liaison report – ER&P

Met at lunch.

Mietek will send out information on awards.

Need earlier notification of what will be presented at future meetings.

Steve reminded the WG and TF chairmen that they need to turn in their minutes to him within a week or 10 days.

Liaison report – C57 Distribution Transformer SC

Steve discussed enclosure integrity standards C57.12.30 and C57.12.31. SC acceptance of previous revision was sent and no additional revisions were sent.

7. OLD BUSINESS

No “old” business to report.

8. NEW BUSINESS

“Drop out” recloser – C37.60.

Entertain new technology

Maintain dual logo

Bring in common requirements

Only comments were made by Cooper and S&C initially.

Options were presented.

Part of C37.60, as the drop out sectionalizer is part of C37.63.

As a new standard 60.1

As a part of the C37.40 series.

No conclusion was reached in the WG and this matter was presented to the subcommittee.

Jodi clarified that the definition of a recloser will have to be made at the working group level.

Dave states that the ballot recirculation will help resolve some of these issues. Jodi supports this view.

The question was raised that this may be lowering the technical requirements of a recloser – especially fault close rating.

Dave will leave Annex L in the document and proceed with the other changes and go to re-ballot.

Ray agrees with Dave, purportedly the second time in 10 years

9. NEXT MEETINGS:

- The next meeting will be Spring May 2 - 8, 2008 in Asheville NC.
- The Fall meeting 2009 to be determined, tentative site is Denver CO.
- Spring 2010 is tentative for Myrtle Beach FL.

Respectively yours,

Steven Meiners
Chairman
RODE Subcommittee

Attachments:

See F08RODEfn working.doc - RODE attachment index.