

IEEE Power Engineering Society  
Switchgear Committee  
C37.20.3 Working Group Report  
29-September-2009

The working group met Tuesday, Sept 29, at 2:00 pm.

Attendance of the members was as shown below.

C. Ball (P)	R. Hartzel (P)	R. Puckett (A)
P. Barnhart (P)	H. Josten (P)	T. Robirds (A)
J. Baskin (P)	S. Lapidus (A)	C. Schneider (A)
E. Byron (P)	A. Livshitz (A)	J. Smith (P)
L. Davis (A)	S. Meiners (A)	P. Sullivan (E)
L. Farr (A)	T. Olsen (P)	C. Tailor (E)
D. Giraud (A)	M. Orosz (E)	W. VonMiller (A)
D. Gohil (E)	R. Parthasarathi (E)	L. Younce (P)
	A. Patel (P)	

P = present, E = excused, A = absent

John Toney will join the working group beginning with the spring meeting.

Attendance also included the following guests.

S. Benson	D. Lemmerman	A. Morse
B. Dwyer	F. Mayle	M. Omer
M. Flack	S. McGovern	G. Schoonenberg
T. Lagerstrom	A. Morgan	J. Toney

Patents:

IEEE-SA rules on Patents were reviewed. The introductory slide and slides #1 through #5 of the IEEE-SA Patents Slide Set dated 25-March-2008 were shown. The WG attendees were advised:

- The IEEE's patent policy is consistent with the ANSI patent policy and is described in Clause 6 of the IEEE-SA Standards Board Bylaws;
- Early identification of patent claims which may be essential for the use of standards under development is encouraged;
- There may be Essential Patent Claims of which the IEEE is not aware. Additionally, neither the IEEE, nor the WG, nor the WG chair can ensure the accuracy or completeness of any assurance or whether any such assurance is, in fact, of a Patent Claim that is essential for the use of the standard under development.

The participants were provided an opportunity to identify patent claim(s)/patent application claim(s) and/or the holder of patent claim(s)/patent application claim(s) that the participant believes may be essential for the use of the standard which will result from the activity of the WG.

No responses were received during the meeting regarding patent claim(s)/patent application claim(s) and/or the holder of the patent claim(s)/patent application claim(s) that were identified (if any) and by whom.

The majority of the meeting was spent completing the review of proposed revisions to clause 6 and progressed through 6.15. Open issues on clause 6 are shown below.

- Clause 6.2.9, partial discharge test, WG to monitor this clause in C37.20.2 and reconsider adding more information on this test
- Chuck Ball to incorporate text on galvanized steel in clause 6.15 and circulate to the working group
- Clause 6.15 through 7.10 have not been reviewed
- Chuck Ball will attempt to have the working group review clauses by e-mail in small amounts

All proposed revisions had been coordinated with C37.100.1. It has been confirmed that only documents that are dual logo should follow the clause numbering in C37.100.1. All others must use the numbering system in the IEEE template. Chuck Ball will convert the document back to numbering per the IEEE template and distribute it to the working group by the end of the year.

Other open issues are shown below.

- A comment regarding the difference between C37.20.3 and the conformance standard, C37.57 on the flame resistance test. C37.20.3 requires testing in accordance with ASTM D229-96 while 57 allows the use of class 90 V-0 material per ANSI/UL 94. A separate task force has been formed to address this issue since it applies to a number of standards. This working group will wait for output from the task force.

Report submitted by Chuck Ball, Working Group Chair