

**EFCOG ELECTRICAL SAFETY SUBGROUP
MEETING MINUTES FOR 8/08/2007
Submitted by Mark McNellis**

Attendees

Lloyd Gordon	Russ Harwood	Don Harvey
Mark McNellis	Bill Reed	Scott Gilmore
Jackie McAlhaney	Sal Sferrazza	Bobby Sparks
Bobby Gray	Cliff Ashley	Terry Fogle
Mark McNellis	Chip Barnhart	Pat Tran
Carl Haller	Richard Biscardi	Randy Unger
Dave Mills	Ray Blowitski	Tony Umek
Mike Hicks	James Follansbee	John Dinicola
Joe Kilar	Jack George	
James Luhning	Earnest Hamm	

Welcome

Teleconference was chaired by Bobby Gray
Mark asked for attendees to send email confirming attendance at this meeting.

Agenda Item one- ORPS Reporting Criteria Proposal

Bobby stated that Ray Blowitski was pushing Severity Index driven, ORPS reporting criteria through the ORPS EFCOG group and that new criteria has been added.

Jackie McAlhaney added that SRS thinks the additional criteria is too broad and that now all LOTO violations will be reported as an SC3 no matter how benign.

Mike Hicks responded that this LOTO reporting criteria was driven by HS interests.

Mike also stated that it would not be considered failure to follow hazardous energy control if a procedure is followed and voltage is identified during a zero-energy verification.

Bobby agreed with Mike

Jackie thinks the new wording needs clarification.

Lloyd Gordon thinks the new wording is adequate

Mike offered that additional wording could be added "Does not include zero energy verification"

Bobby asked Ray if the intention is to replace the current group 2C with 2 new groups

Ray said yes for electrical events only

Bobby asked Ray if the ORPS group has looked at the proposal.

Ray said no but he will ask Tony Umek to push this forward.

Mike added that HS expects LOTO to be done correctly 100% of the time: this is why they want to track procedural compliance issues

Jackie stated that this will result in more ORPS events

Mike stated that they can screen these out

Keith Gershon asked Mike if all LOTO events would get treated equally

Mike said this is what HS wants

Agenda Item Two- Follow-up on Workshop Breakout Sessions.

Lloyd stated that a web site is being developed for the Center Of Excellence and will be up late August or early September and will be usable by the end of the fiscal year.

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Lloyd mentioned that he is in the process of consolidating information for the handbook chapters with a goal to get product to Pat Tran by early September

Pat stated that September would be fine and that he needs to have the material in RevCom by December.

Bobby stated that all marked up copies of the handbook from the conference will be reconciled with the work Keith Schuh has already completed and he will send out to working group for review at that time.

Bobby added that he will distribute material to EFCOG group once working group has had an opportunity to edit.

Lloyd stated that he and Bobby needed to work together to finish this

Lloyd asked Pat if the RevCom process takes 6-8 weeks

Pat stated that it depends on many factors and may take longer due to the amount of change to the document.

Bobby asked that Lloyd target the end of September to get a product to Pat

Lloyd stated that he is not sure of path forward for the Engineered Solutions group.

Lloyd asked bobby how things were progressing on 70E proposals

Bobby stated that he has seen some proposals and expects that they will be sent out soon

Agenda Item Three- Progress Towards 2007 ESTG Initiatives

Bobby asked if any groups/members had any progress to report on

Lloyd stated that he has developed a committee on R&D electrical safety

Mark stated that he will forward lessons learned to Sal for planning next year's conference.

Agenda Item Four- GFCI White Paper Status

Lloyd volunteered to speak on this in Perry's absence.

He stated that Perry has the paper just about completed and that it should be out for comment soon.

Lloyd stated that the Accelerator group at LANL is very interested in participating here.

Mark asked if the white paper will include the new vending machine guidance

Bobby responded that it currently does not but that it should.

Open Discussion

Bobby mentioned that he had seen an email advertising an EFCOG meeting and a request for electrical safety presentations and asked if anyone in the group had any information on this.

No one on-line seemed to know anything about this other group

Jackie asked if the EFCOG fall meeting will coincide with this other meeting

Bobby stated that we should wait until Tony Umek provides guidance and that he has a meeting planned for the October/November time frame.

Scott Gilmore stated that Bussmann has been asked to speak at this meeting and that scheduling our meeting to coincide with this one would be a good fit.

Bobby agreed that we should coordinate with the meetings organizers.

Lloyd stated that the accelerator group from LANL would prefer the summer conference be scheduled in a month other than August.

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Bobby reported on feedback from the summer conference and stated that the biggest interest was directed at “sharing of ideas from sites”.

Bobby stated that location and registration had very little negative or positive response.

Bobby will pass on this information to Sal Sferrazza for next year

John Dinicola suggested that arc flash calculations be discussed in the fall meeting and that someone should provide guidance

Lloyd suggested that this be a working group for next year

Bobby agreed

Sal stated that labeling incident energy on panels can be complex due to the number of unknowns.

Bobby asked if guidance to using NFPA 70E tables should be added to the Handbook.

Lloyd said yes but suggested Pat put a group together and plan it.

Bobby asked the group how each site is documenting worker qualifications

Russ Harwood would like to know how other sites are addressing this.

Bobby suggested that Russ use the DOE list serve to find out.

Meeting ended at 9:03 Pacific time

Next teleconference is scheduled for September 12