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**ReliabilityFirst Standards Committee Minutes
03/05/2024 3:00 – 4:00 ET (2:00 – 3:00 CT)**

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Ryan Kelley (Vice-Chair)	Duke	Transmission	1.5 – 12/20/24
Ryan Strom*	Buckeye Power	Small LSE	3.0 – 06/20/26
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Rick Blumenstock*	Consumers	Medium LSE	3.0 – 06/20/26
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Nick Poluch (Chair)*	Talen	Supplier	3.0 – 06/20/26
Vacant	Vacant	Supplier	1.5 – 12/20/24
Bobbi Welch*	MISO	RTO	3.0 – 06/20/26
Patricio Rocha Garrido*	PJM	RTO	1.5 – 12/20/24
Anthony Jablonski*	RF Staff		
Don Lock	Talen	Observer	
Mark Kuras	PJM	Observer	
Johnny Gest*	RF	Observer	
Tim Fryfogle*	RF	Observer	
Eric Rodriguez*	MISO	Observer	

*Denotes in attendance

1. Welcome, Attendance and Introductions

- a. The SC was welcomed, and attendance was taken.

2. Review Anti-Trust Statement

- a. Tony reviewed the Anti-Trust Statement

3. Approve February 13, 2024 Draft Minutes

- a. Motion: Approve February 13, 2024 Draft Minutes
- b. Moved: Nick Poluch
- c. Second: Rick Blumenstock
- d. Discussion: None
- e. Vote: The February 13, 2024 draft minutes were approved by the SC.

4. Bobbi Welch (MISO) to discuss/answer questions on the MISO submitted BAL-502-RF-03 submitted Five-year Review comments.

- a. Eric Rodriguez from MISO went through a presentation which detailed the rationale for the position MISO holds to retire the RF BAL-502-RF-03 Standard. The five main arguments/points include the following:
 - i. Reliability metric is not future-proof
 - ii. Inability to keep pace with future shifts in risks
 - iii. Duplicative of other regulations and studies
 - iv. Stifles creativity
 - v. Emerging regulations notes the need for regional efforts that will be superseded/short lived

Eric noted that for these reasons MISO believes the RF Standard should be retired or at a minimum be revised. Following the presentation, Eric, Eduardo and Bobbi fielded questions from the SC and observers. Eric noted that if the BAL-502-RF-03 Standard is retired, he believes there would be no loss in reliability. MISO already meets the 1 day in 10 criteria based on the MISO Tariff and MISO would gain more flexibility and a more comprehensive risk assessment would be completed. It was noted that if the Standard would be revised, it would take resources to go through the drafting effort. Patricio also noted that he did not believe there would be a reliability risk if the Standard is retired as PJM needs to perform this analysis regardless of the Standard. He did note that the Standard does set the consistent requirements so applicable Entities can be comparable.

5. Determine Next Steps and Timeframe for RF SC to make Recommendation to RF Board

- a. It was determined that we should put together a list of all the different topics and discussion points we all have been talking about for the last number of months. Nick volunteered Don Lock to draft the strawman. Nick noted that along with the technical rationale to help make a decision, we have to look at other non-technical items such as “optics” and “resources” when thinking about our forthcoming recommendation to the RF



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Board. Once we have a good document outlining all the different pieces, we can potentially share with the Board prior to our final recommendation.

- b. It was also suggested that each SC member provide their preliminary opinion (and short rationale) which to augment the work Don is putting together. The SC agreed with this approach as well.

6. Action Items

- Draft strawman to capture key discussion points (Don Lock) – Due March 15, 2024
- Each SC member to provide Tony J. their preliminary opinion (Revise, Retire, Reaffirm) and short rationale as to which way they are leaning at this time (All SC Members) - Due March 15, 2024

7. Future Meetings

- a. Tony will request availability for the future meeting.

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**ReliabilityFirst Standards Committee Draft Minutes
02/13/2024 02:00 – 3:00 ET**

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1. Welcome, Attendance and Introductions
 - a. The SC was welcomed, and attendance was taken.
2. Review Anti-Trust Statement
 - a. Tony reviewed the Anti-Trust Statement
3. Approve January 30, 2024 Draft Minutes
 - a. Motion: Approve January 30, 2024 Draft Minutes
 - b. Moved: Nick Poluch
 - c. Second: Bobbi Welch
 - d. Discussion: None
 - e. Vote: The January 30, 2024 draft minutes were approved by the SC
4. Mark Kuras (PJM) to discuss the NERC [Project 2022-03](#) Energy Assurance with Energy-Constrained Resource Drafting Effort
 - a. Mark Kuras walked through a presentation on the Project 2022-03 Energy Assurance with Energy-Constrained Resource Drafting Effort primarily focusing on the first draft standard which is BAL-007-1 (operating time horizon). This draft standard is currently out for industry comment until March 11, 2024 (with most likely a forthcoming Ballot). Mark used a presentation that will be shared with the group. Mark answered a number of questions from SC Members and Observers throughout the presentation.
 - b. In regard to the planning time horizon version of this Project 2022-03 effort, Mark noted there is an initial draft being formed and TPL-001 and the RF BAL-502-RF-03 Standards are being looked at as starting points. Mark noted this effort is being worked on in parallel with the operating time horizon effort. Mark gave an estimate that the Planning version is approximately a month away from its first posting for comments and potentially will be completed by the end of 2024.
5. Bobbi Welch (MISO) to discuss/answer questions on the MISO submitted BAL-502-RF-03 submitted Five-year Review comments.
 - a. Due to time constraints, Bobbi was unable to Bobbi Welch (MISO) to discuss/answer questions on the MISO submitted BAL-502-RF-03 submitted Five-year Review comments and she will be given time during the next RF SC call.
6. Determine Next Steps and Timeframe for RF SC to make Recommendation to RF Board
 - a. Tony noted the next RF Board meeting is scheduled for May 2, 2024 so we should start planning backwards to finalize a recommendation to the Board. This will be an agenda item for the next RF SC call.
7. Action Items
 - a. Tony to send out available request to RF SC members.
8. Future Meetings
 - a. The future meeting is expected to be in the March 2024 timeframe.