

**Power Generation, Transmission, and Distribution
Stakeholders Meeting Minutes
May 28, 2014
9 a.m. - noon**

Review of May 21 meeting minutes: The group approved the minutes – with the correction that Mike Kiessling is from NW Line JATC, not NE Line.

Introductions: The group introduced themselves.

Attendees:

Ron Dubbs – Emerald PUD
John Gander – DEC
Jeff Carson – Local 125
Steve Harkin – Pacific Power
Jeff Wilson – Oregon OSHA
Gary Boswell – PGE
Bill Haskins – PGE
Mike Scarmiwach – IBEW 659
Banjo Reed – IBEW 659
Paul Birkeland – Oregon PUC

Mark Rettmann – Oregon PUC
Marilyn Schuster – Oregon OSHA
Mike Kiessling – NW Line JATC
Tracy Harness – NW Line NECA
Peg Munsell – Oregon OSHA
Stephanie Ficek – Oregon OSHA
Sue Joye – Oregon OSHA
Tony Schacher – Salem Electric
Stuart Sloan – CPI
Greg Pierce – CPI
Mark Maguire – EWEB

Tracy Harness reported for Ward Andrews on the following rules. The group made a decision to keep or remove the Oregon-initiated rules.

- 437-003-0200 *Guards/Barriers (compared to federal standard)* **Keep**
- 437-003-0255 *Designated voltage barriers (compared to federal standard)* **Keep**
- 437-003-0265 *Tests and records (compared to federal standard)* **Remove**
- 437-003-0305 *High voltage vicinity (compared to federal standard)* **Remove**

Mike Kiessling reported on the following rules. The group made a decision to keep or remove the Oregon-initiated rules.

- 437-003-0225 *Required precautions (compared to federal standard)* **Remove**
- 437-003-0270 *Rubber gloves (compared to DOSH and federal standard)* **Remove**
- 437-003-0275 *Tests of gloves and sleeves (compared to DOSH and federal standard)* **Remove**

Jeff Wilson reported on the following rules. The group made a decision to keep or remove the Oregon-initiated rules.

- 437-003-0215 *Emergency procedures and first aid (compared to federal standard)* **Remove**
- 437-003-0285 *Required protection (compared to federal standard)* **Keep**

- 437-003-0290 *Hot sticks or other protective devices* (compared to federal standard) **Table – subcommittee**

The group began discussing the following seven old federal rule references that are referred to in a **note** in the corresponding Oregon-initiated rules. The issues with the notes were tabled for discussion at a later date.

1926.950 (c)(1)(iii)	437-003-0600 (Pg V-5)	New federal 1926.964 (Pg. 20712)
1925.950 (d)(1)	437-003-0220 (Pg V-6)	
1926.955 (a)(5)(i)	437-003-0610 (Pg V-32)	
1926.955 (e)	437-003-0600 (Pg V-41)	
1926.956 (a)(1) and (2)	437-003-0770 & 5 (Pg V-43)	
1926.956 (b)(3)	437-003-0780 (Pg V-44)	
1926.957 (e)(1)	437-003-0815 (Pg V-48)	

In the course of the meeting questions were asked about the possibility of asking for an extension to the short time frame provided to allow for a thorough review of the rulemaking.

Oregon Rules: The group picked up in Division 3/V at 437-003-0200 and discussed if we will keep the Oregon-initiated rule or adopt the federal rule.

437-003-0200 Guards/Barriers **Keep**

437-003-0255 Designated Voltage Barriers **Keep**

437-003-0265 Tests and Records **Remove**

437-003-0270 Rubber Gloves **Remove**

437-003-0275 Tests of Gloves and Sleeves **Remove**

437-003-0285 Required Protection **Keep**

The group highlighted several rules for subcommittee work and placed importance on them according to our timeline.

Bare-handed, live-line work (1926.964) **Now**

437-003-0140, 0145 & 0150 **Now**

437-003-0290 & 437-003-295 **Later**

437-003-0290 Hot Sticks or Other Protective Devices **Table - subcommittee**

437-003-0295 Adequate Protection **Table - subcommittee**

437-003-0310 Two-Worker Rules Remove

437-003-0315 Leather Protectors Remove

437-003-0320 Glove Containers Remove

437-003-0325 Correct Use Remove

437-003-0330 Defective Gloves Remove

437-003-0335 Providing and Maintaining Protective Equipment Keep and combine language from 0350. The new rule will say,

*“(a) All protective equipment and devices used in electrical work, such as insulating gloves, hoods, insulating blankets, hose, hot sticks, fuse pullers, tongs, grounding equipment and other special tools and devices, must be provided and used when their need is indicated, and shall be maintained **and stored** in a manner that will preserve adequate dielectric strength.*

Added from 0375 (b) ~~Hot line tools shall be handled carefully and maintained in first class condition.~~ They shall be kept in a dry place. When transporting, they shall be kept in separate special storage compartments, or be contained in protective bags. They shall not be laid directly on the ground.”

437-003-0340 Design and Use Keep

437-003-0345 Suspected Defect Remove

437-003-0350 Housekeeping Remove but add “stored” into 0335

Climbers

437-003-0355 Climber Gaffs Jeff will compare with federal rule

437-003-0360 Gaffs Guarded Jeff will compare with federal rule

437-003-0365 Restrictions on Use of Climbers Jeff will compare with federal rule

437-003-0410 Damaged/Defective Ladders Remove

437-003-0370 Inspection and Condition Remove

437-003-0375 Handling and Transporting Move language into 0335 as (b) and remove first sentence

437-003-0380 Margin of Safety Remove

The Oregon-initiated rules that the group decided to remove were eliminated for one or more of the following reasons:

1. The Oregon-initiated rule was in conflict with a corresponding federal standard.
2. The federal standard was at least as effective as the Oregon-initiated rule. Since employers often operate in neighboring states and workers often work in multiple states, adopting federal rules makes it easier on the employer.
3. The rule was addressed sufficiently in another division of Oregon rules.
4. New technology or methods made the rule obsolete and unnecessary.

Meeting Adjourned: Noon

Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 4, 2014, 8 a.m. – noon.