

Power Generation, Transmission, and Distribution
Stakeholders Meeting Minutes
June 11, 2014
8 a.m. - noon

Attendees:

Sue Joye – Oregon OSHA
John Gander – DEC
Ron Dubbs – Emerald PUD
Jeff Wilson – Oregon OSHA
Tracy Harness – NW Line NECA
Ward Andrews – Wilson Construction
Robert Clarkson – IBEW 125

Mike Scarmiwach – IBEW 659
Banjo Reed – IBEW 659
Gary Boswell – PGE
Mark Maguire – EWEB
Mark Rettmann – Oregon PUC
Stuart Sloan – Consumers Power
Peg Munsell – Oregon OSHA
Stephanie Ficek – Oregon OSHA

The group approved the minutes from the June 4, 2014 meeting.

Jeff Wilson reported on the subcommittee's work on the following rules:

- *437-003-0140 Working Foreman* **Keep**
- *437-003-0145 General* **Keep**
- *437-003-0150 Foreman as Safety Watcher* **Keep**
- *437-003-0290 Hot Sticks or Other Protective Devices* **Keep**
- *437-003-0295 Adequate Protection* **Keep**
- *437-003-0450 Two-Worker Rules* **Remove**
- *437-003-0120 More Than 750 Volts* **Change title to 600 volts. Keep – remove (1).**

The group picked up in Division 3/V at 437-003-0565 and discussed if we will keep the Oregon-initiated rule or adopt the federal rule.

437-003-0565 Dead End Towers **Ward will talk to Harvey**

437-003-0570 Wire Rope **Keep**

437-003-0575 Ladders **Remove**

437-003-0580 Strength Check **Remove**

437-003-0585 Route Check **Remove**

437-003-0590 Equipment Check **Keep – change heading to “Equipment Use”**

437-003-0595 Platform Use Keep

437-003-0610 Proximity to High Voltage Remove

437-003-0250 Housekeeping Remove

437-003-0605 Qualified Supervision Keep – take out the word “especially”

437-003-0615 Positive Control Remove

437-003-0620 Removing Conductors Keep – take out the first sentence. Change the title to “Replacing Conductors”

437-003-0625 Pulling Keep

437-003-0630 Bare Conductors Remove

The group discussed the *proposed rewrite for 437-003-0485 Three Phase Line* that Mark Rettmann submitted. We came up with the following language.

While working on transmission circuits de-energized under clearance conditions with three phase mechanical shorts and grounds established at the lowest impedance available location. Workers may perform work on one phase of a three phase transmission line after establishing an equipotential zone that includes the phase being directly worked on. The phases outside the equipotential zone are to be treated as energized and MAD observed, unless they become part of the equipotential zone.

437-003-0635 Stringing Conductors Keep

437-003-0640 Sleeves Keep – add “unless appropriate safeguards are taken” at the end.

437-003-0645 Reel Tender Keep – table possibly changing language from lineman to qualified worker. Once we’ve settled on the language, we will look at combining 635 and 645.

437-003-0650 Reel Tending Equipment Remove

437-003-0655 Equipment Secured Keep

TREE TRIMMING

437-003-0720 CPR Training Table – Jeff Wilson will talk to the tree trimmers.

437-003-0725 Rescue Training Table – Jeff Wilson will talk to the tree trimmers.

437-003-0707 Chipper equipment and operation Table – Jeff Wilson will talk to the tree trimmers.

437-003-0770 Barriers, Guards, Warning Signs Remove

437-003-0775 Guarding Required Before Entering [Remove](#)

437-003-0780 Test for Flammability [Remove](#)

437-003-0785 Illumination [Remove](#)

Meeting Adjourned: 11:55 a.m.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, June 18, 2014, 8 a.m. – noon.