

Power Generation, Transmission, and Distribution
Stakeholders Meeting Minutes
Sept. 30, 2014
8 a.m. - noon

Attendees:

Russ Walters – SUB
Ron Dubbs - EPUD
Jeff Wilson – Oregon OSHA
Peggy Munsell – Oregon OSHA
Tracy Harness – NW Line NECA
Stuart Jarmain – Central Lincoln PUD
Tony Schacher – Salem Electric
Jeff Carson – IBEW 124
Mike Scarminach – IBEW 659
Banjo Reed – IBEW 659
Steven Harkin – Pacific Power
Chuck Thurman – Monmouth Power & Light
Kim Garbutt – Consumers Power
Ned Rattterman – Oregon Trail Alliance

Greg Pierce – Consumers Power
Stuart Sloan – Consumers Power
Zach Dillingham – Salem Electric
Steve Gehley – Salem Electric
Larry Michaels – Salem Electric
Todd Sherwood – Douglas Electric Co-op
Brian Aicher – Salem Electric
Marilyn Schuster – Oregon OSHA
John Ganer – DEC
John Dietz – McMinnville Water & Light
Scott Rosenbalm – McMinnville Water & Light
Mike Kiessling – NW Line JATC
Sue Joye – Oregon OSHA
Stephanie Ficek – Oregon OSHA

The group approved the minutes from the Sept. 17, 2014 meeting.

Merged 3V

- We discussed several rules that we may have missed. Banjo will distribute a list of what he found missing in our merged 3V so we can check the minutes from previous meetings and make sure we keep an accurate record reflected in our merged 3V.
- We decided to provide clarification that the requirements in 1926.963(c)(8) for Aerial lifts used for live line barehanded work still apply even though Oregon prohibits live line barehanded work.
- We decided to remove 1926.963 (c)(1) and (2) Training for live line barehanded work.
- We discussed *437-003-0825 Nonelectrical Workers* and decided to keep the rule as written.
- We discussed *437-003-0255 Adequate Barriers and Clearances* and agreed to combine 0255, 0260, 0285, 0290 and 0295.

Two-Worker Rules

We discussed the Two-Worker rules ([437-003-0115](#) and [437-003-0120](#)) and the issue of moving elbows on a pad mount transformer to be exempt from the two worker rule.

We discussed the fiscal impact if Oregon OSHA clarifies and continues to have the requirement for two workers for moving elbows on a pad mount transformer.

It was pointed out that there is an Oregon exception and a federal exception to the two-worker rules. We need to work on the Oregon exceptions of the two-worker rule listed in *437-003-0120 More Than 600 Volts (1)-(5)*.

Jeff asked for submissions for rule language in the event that Oregon OSHA decides to keep and clarify this requirement.

Fiscal Impact

Jeff emphasized the need for accurate estimates from the stakeholder group on the financial impact of the rules. He needs those figures soon.

There's also a requirement for Oregon OSHA to submit a housing impact statement.

Timeline

Sue needs to file for the rulemaking hearing on Oct. 15. That opens the comment period where interested parties can submit their comments. Public hearings are another opportunity for people to comment – Oregon OSHA will probably hold three public hearings during late November and early December at various locations. The group suggested areas for the hearings: Bend, Eugene, and Portland. The comment period will close mid-December so that we can finalize rulemaking before Jan. 11, 2015.

Meeting Adjourned: 10:35 a.m.

There is no other meeting planned.