IEEE Power Engineering Society Switchgear Committee C37.17 Working Group Report 15-October-2007

The working group met on Monday, October 15, at 8:00AM. This is the eighth meeting of the working group.

Patents:

IEEE-SA rules on Patents were reviewed prior to further discussions. The introductory slide, and slides #1 through #5 of the IEEE-SA Patents Slide Set dated 1-May-2007 were shown. The WG attendees were advised:

- The IEEE's patent policy is consistent with the ANSI patent policy and is described in Clause 6 of the IEEE-SA Standards Board Bylaws;
- Early identification of patent claims which may be essential for the use of standards under development is encouraged;
- There may be Essential Patent Claims of which the IEEE is not aware. Additionally, neither the IEEE, the WG, nor the WG chair can ensure the accuracy or completeness of any assurance or whether any such assurance is, in fact, of a Patent Claim that is essential for the use of the standard under development.

The participants were provided an opportunity to identify patent claim(s)/patent application claim(s) and/or the holder of patent claim(s)/patent application claim(s) that the participant believes may be essential for the use of the standard which will result from the activity of the WG.

No responses were received during the meeting regarding patent claim(s)/patent application claim(s) and/or the holder of the patent claim(s)/patent application claim(s) that were identified (if any) and by whom.

General:

The PAR for this project was approved by IEEE-SA in December, 2005 and is valid through 2009.

Attendance included 9 WG (of 12) members and 9 guests. Attendance was as follows:

Members Members Guests Guests George Nourse (E) Don Colaberardino Rahul Sarin Jeff Mizener (P) Alan Storms (P) Jean-Claude Maurice (P) Mike Flack Paul Terry Allan Morse (P) Nancy Gunderson (P) Mike Abrahamsen John Webb David Dunne (P) Paul Barnhart (E) Charles Ross Pete Dwyer Dean Sigmon (P) Ted Olsen (E) Jerrod Coomer

Doug Edwards (P) Keith Flowers (P)

P = present, E = excused, A = absent

- Draft 2 was distributed to the members and interested guests via email on 8/29/07.
- Comments were received from 6 individuals.
- The meeting was spent reviewing the comments and resolving any issues.
- All comments were addressed and all issues were resolved.
- The result of the meeting will be distributed as draft 3 after some minor off-line updates which were agreedto in the meeting.

The following points are of special note:

- It was noted that Sections 1.1 and 1.2 have drifted away from the statements made in the PAR. As part of the D3 circulation, those Sections and the PAR will be put side-by-side in a document as a help in deciding whether to change the sections or request a revision to the PAR.
- Draft 2 contained a reference to preferred calibration marks in C37.16, a paragraph which has since been removed from that standard. After much discussion, it was decided that specifying recommended calibration marks served no purpose and it was deleted.
- The subject of 50Hz versus 60Hz testing has been much discussed of late. The following sentences were added to D3 with the concurrence of the group:

"The manufacturer shall state at which frequency or over what frequency range the published time-current characteristic curves are valid. If the trip system response is different at 50Hz than it is at 60Hz, the manufacturer shall document both sets of responses in the form of time-current characteristic curves."

The meeting adjourned at 11:50AM.

Report submitted by:

Jeff Mizener, WG Chair