

**IEEE/PES Switchgear Committee**  
**Main Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**10/9/2025 – 3:45 PM – 5:30 PM (PDT)**  
*Meeting Minutes Recorded by: Terry Woodyard - Secretary*

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**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 3:45 PM PDT by the Chair, Donnie Swing.

**2. Establishment of Quorum**

Quorum was verified during Roll Call as 67 of 75 voting members present. Chris Hastreiter, affiliated with Eaton, was introduced as a newly promoted Main Committee voting member.

**3. Roll call and Disclosure of Affiliation**

121 attendees present stated their name and affiliation.

A list of attendees (name, affiliation, and voting status) is attached.

**4. Approval of the Agenda**

***Motion to approve the meeting agenda.***

(Mover: J. Ward; Second: R. Hartzel)

The agenda was unanimously approved as presented without objection.

**5. Approval of S25 Main Committee meeting minutes**

***Motion to approve the meeting minutes.***

(Mover: B. Cohn; Second: R. Boyce)

The minutes were unanimously approved as presented without objection.

**6. Presentations or Discussions**

**a) Committee Chairman's Report – Donnie Swing**

- i. Nearly one third of our operating budget is covered by supporters and we received over \$70k in support of the Fall 25 Conference' Thank you to those members and guests who obtained this.
- ii. We have 7 documents on the October RevCom agenda and several expected on the December agenda demonstrating the work that has been done.
- iii. We have a record number of papers submitted.
- iv. With great contributions from the leadership team, we are booked out contracts through 2029.

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- v. We have IEEE PES Switchgear Committee branded shirt samples that should be available for purchase before the Spring conference.

#### **b) Committee Treasurer's Report – Terry Woodyard**

- i. Audit passed with only a single minor finding, we have enough money in the bank for foreseeable deposits and to cover expected expenses.

#### **c) Standards Coordinator's Report – Keith Flowers**

- i. Four documents at Inactive Reserve status, one of which is in the ballot process.
- ii. Five documents will expire at the end of 2025 and two at the end of 2026.
- iii. Four documents with PARs that will expire at the end of 2025.
- iv. Twenty-three documents with expired ANSI accreditation, only three are not in the process to regain accreditation.
- v. Full report will be posted on the minutes page on the Switchgear Committee website.

#### **d) Technical Committee Program Coordinator (TCPC) – Tony Ricciuti**

- i. Four papers approved for T&D Conference & Exposition in May 2026:
  - i. Next Generation F-Gas free Gas-Insulated Switchgears with Natural-Origin Gases for 38 kV Level
  - ii. Study on Blast Flow after Current Zero in C<sub>4</sub>F<sub>7</sub>N/CO<sub>2</sub> Gas Mixtures Circuit Breaker under Large Current Interruption Condition
  - iii. Low-Cost Autonomous Prognostic Monitoring System for Oil-Insulated Medium Voltage Switchgear
  - iv. 800 kV Dead Tank Circuit Breaker Free of SF<sub>6</sub> Gas
- ii. One paper pending author revision for T&D Conference in May 2026:
  - i. Effective Sulphur Hexafluoride Cycle Management: Climate Protection, Reliability and Cost Reduction Hand in Hand
- iii. No papers submitted yet for PES General Meeting, July 19-23, 2006

#### **e) Registrar's Report – Jenifer Hunter**

- i. 298 Attendees
- ii. 34 Companions
- iii. 42 First-time Attendees
- iv. 118 attended Tuesday luncheon

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- v. 199 attended the social
- vi. 23 Supporters
- vii. Full report will be posted on the minutes page on the Switchgear Committee website

#### **f) Subcommittee/Task Force Reports**

##### **i. Administrative (ADSCOM) – John Webb**

- i. Met, and quorum was met
- ii. Several documents submitted to RevCom or approved PAR extensions
- iii. PAR study group formed for P3476.3/P3476.4 SCATE activity
- iv. Minutes will be posted on the minutes page on the Switchgear Committee website

##### **ii. Education, Recognition & Publications (ERP) – Nenad Uzelac**

- i. Met, and quorum was met
- ii. Reminder to submit PDH credit form as available on Main Committee home page and has been available via QR code posted at registration table
- iii. Acknowledged first-time conference attendees
- iv. Acknowledged Carl Schuetz – IEEE Standards Medallion
- v. Acknowledged Leslie Falkingham – IEEE Lifetime Achievement
- vi. Acknowledged Paul Barnhart – IEEE Distinguished Service Award
- vii. Acknowledged outgoing subcommittee Chairs
  - Frank DeCesaro
  - Jeff Mizener
  - Jacob Blake
  - Alex Cochran
- viii. Newly published documents:
  - C37.41
  - C37.122.3
  - C37.62
- ix. New Main Committee voting members
  - Chris Hastreiter
- x. New Honorary members
  - None
- xi. Minutes will be posted on the minutes page on the Switchgear Committee website

##### **iii. High Voltage Circuit Breakers (HVCB) – Dan Schiffbauer**

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- i. Met, and quorum was met
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- iv. High Voltage Fuses (HVF) – Jim Wenzel
  - i. Met, and quorum was NOT met
  - ii. Minutes will be posted on the minutes page on the Switchgear Committee website
  
- v. High Voltage Switches (HVS)– Jacob Blake
  - i. Met, and quorum was met
  - ii. Minutes will be posted on the minutes page on the Switchgear Committee website
  
- vi. Low Voltage Switchgear Devices (LVSD) – Jeff Mizener
  - i. Met, and quorum was met
  - ii. Minutes will be posted on the minutes page on the Switchgear Committee website
  
- vii. Reclosers and Other Distribution Equipment (RODE) – Frank DeCesaro
  - i. Met, and quorum was met
  - ii. Minutes will be posted on the minutes page on the Switchgear Committee website
  
- viii. Switchgear Assemblies (SA) – Jared Hines
  - i. Met, and quorum was met
  - ii. Minutes will be posted on the minutes page on the Switchgear Committee website
  
- ix. Technology and Innovation Subcommittee (TI) – Caryn Riley
  - i. Met, and quorum was met
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#### **g) Liaison Reports**

- i. Accredited Standards Committee C37 – John Webb
  - i. Full report will be posted on the minutes page on the Switchgear Committee website
- ii. Short Circuit Test Liaison of the Nations of the Americas (STLNA) – Victor Savulyak
  - i. Met with 13 attendees with all 6 member labs represented
  - ii. Minutes will be posted on the minutes page on the Switchgear Committee website
- iii. CIGRE – John Webb
  - i. Full report will be posted on the minutes page on the Switchgear Committee website
- iv. IEC TC17 – John Webb
  - i. Full report will be posted on the minutes page on the Switchgear Committee website

#### **h) Old Business**

- i. MemberPlanet Update – Doug Edwards
  - i. No significant progress since the last conference
- ii. Procedural Revisions – Donnie Swing
  - i. Swg is up to date and in good standing with the SA policies and procedures

#### **i) New Business**

- i. Memorials
  - i. Don Martin
  - ii. Doug Giraud

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- ii. Motion to revise scope of Switchgear Committee to include solid-state switching devices
  - i. Motion made by Doug Edwards with second from John Webb
  - ii. Vote to add the text “power” to the revised scope failed by a vote of 21 to 19 (17 abstentions)
  - iii. Motion to table the motion to revise the scope until more information is available was made by Neil McCord with second from Dan Hrnčíř passed
  - iv. Task force led by Doug Edwards was formed to review the topic and come back to the committee with more information at the Spring 2026 face-to-face meeting
- iii. Leadership Opportunities – Donnie Swing
  - i. The search has begun for subcommittee chair roles and main committee Secretary/Treasurer as we are halfway through the current officer rotation
- iv. Future PES Meetings of Interest

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Conference</u>	<u>Location</u>
19 – 23 October	Transformers Committee	Bonita Springs, FL
26 – 29 October 2025	Insulated Conductors Committee	Amelia Island, FL
5 – 6 January 2026	Electrical Energy Storage Applications and Technologies Conference	Tucson, AZ
11 – 15 January 2026	Joint Technical Committee Meeting (JTCM)	Atlanta, GA
26 – 29 April 2026	Insulated Conductors Committee	Carlsbad, CA
4 – 7 May 2026	Transmission & Distribution Conference & Expo	Chicago, IL
19 – 23 July 2026	Power & Energy Society General Meeting (PES)	Montréal, Quebec, Canada

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## **7. Actions and Minutes**

Reminder for all subcommittees to record total WG attendance to support planning of WG meeting rooms for Spring 26 Meeting.

## **8. Future Main Committee Meetings**

- Spring 2026, April 26 – 30, Sheraton Sand Key Resort, Clearwater Beach, FL
- Fall 2026, October 4 – 8, Catamaran Resort, San Diego, CA
- Spring 2027, April 11 – 15, Hyatt Regency, Orlando, FL
- Fall 2027, October 10 – 14, Alohilani Resort, Waikiki Beach, HI
- Spring 2028, April 30 – May 4, Marriott Rivercenter, San Antonio, TX
- Fall 2028, October 8 – 12, Hyatt Regency, Columbus, OH
- Spring 2029, April 5 – 14, Westin Kansas City, Kansas City, MO
- Fall 2029, October 6 – 11, Hilton Salt Lake City Center, Salt Lake City, UT

## **9. Adjourn**

Meeting adjourned at 5:20 PM EDT by the Main Committee Chair, Donnie Swing

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Role	Last Name	Given	Company
Chair	Swing	Donald	nVent
Vice-Chair	Webb	John	ABB
Secretary	Woodyard	Terry	Siemens Industry Inc.
Past Chair	Edwards	Douglas J	Siemens Industry, Inc.
Past Chair	Flowers	Keith	Siemens Industry, Inc.
<del>Past Chair</del>	<del>Irwin</del>	<del>Todd</del>	<del>GE Grid Solutions</del>
<del>HM</del>	<del>Burse</del>	<del>Ted</del>	<del>Powell Industries, Inc</del>
HM	DeCesaro	Frank	DeCesaro Consulting Services
<del>HM</del>	<del>Gohil</del>	<del>Sahadev</del>	<del>Avail Switchgear Systems</del>
HM	Mitchell	David	Mitch and Associates
HM	Smith	Robert Kirkland	Retired
<del>VM</del>	<del>Aristizabal</del>	<del>Mauricio</del>	<del>Hitachi ABB Power Grids</del>
VM	Barnhart	Paul	Underwriters Laboratories
VM	Becker	George	POWER Engineers Inc.
<del>VM</del>	<del>Blake</del>	<del>Jacob</del>	<del>Hubbell Power Systems</del>
VM	Boles	Brett	Southern Company
VM	Boyce	Russell	Eaton
VM	Carne	Clint	Schneider Electric
VM	Chen	Steven	Eaton Corporation
<del>VM</del>	<del>Cochran</del>	<del>Alex</del>	<del>G&amp;W Electric</del>
<del>VM</del>	<del>Cochran</del>	<del>Sterlin</del>	<del>G&amp;W Electric</del>
VM	Cohn	Robert	Powercon Corp.
VM	Collette	Lucas	Duquesne Light
VM	Crawford	Michael	Mitsubishi Electric
VM	Creach	Randall	nVent
VM	Cunningham	Jason	Power Grid Components
VM	Darko	Kennedy	G&W Electric Co
VM	Di Lillo	Patrick	T and I Consultants
VM	Flores	Sergio	Schneider Electric Inc. USA
VM	Grahor	Lou	Eaton Corporation
VM	Harley	John	FirstPower Group LLC
VM	Hartzel	Ronald	Eaton Corporation
VM	Hastreiter	Christopher	Eaton
VM	Hawkins	Tom	Siemens Industry, Inc.
VM	Haynes	Gary	ABB Inc.
VM	Hensberger	Jeremy	Mitsubishi Electric Power Products Inc.



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VM	Hermosillo	Victor	GE Grid Solutions
VM	Hines	Jared	Eaton Corp.
VM	Hoss	Danny	Southern States
VM	Hrncir	Dan	Eaton
VM	Hunter	Jennifer	MEPPI
VM	Jarnigan	Christopher	Southern Company Services
VM	Johnson	Travis	Xcel Energy
VM	Kaminski	John	Siemens
VM	Keels	Thomas	kEElectric Engineering, PLLC
VM	Lafond	Michael	National Breaker Services
VM	McCord	Neil	KEC Precision
VM	Mizener	Jeff	Siemens Industry, Inc.
VM	Moser	Darryl	ABB
VM	Neighbours	Terry	ABB Inc.
VM	Parks	Owen	ABB
VM	Reid	Laura	Hubbell Power Systems
VM	Ricciuti	Anthony	Eaton Corporation
VM	Riley	Caryn	Georgia Tech/NEETRAC
VM	Roberson	Mark	nVent
VM	Rokser	Ian	Eaton Corp
VM	Schiffbauer	Daniel	Toshiba International Corporation
VM	Schneider	Carl	Schneider Electric
<del>VM</del>	<del>Schuetz</del>	<del>Carl</del>	<del>American Transmission Company (ATC)</del>
VM	Sims	Garett	Eaton Corp.
VM	Sippel	Kevin	Eaton Electric
VM	Skidmore	Michael	AEP
VM	Thomas	Christo	SCHNEIDER ELECTRIC USA INC
VM	Trichon	Francois	Schneider Electric
VM	Trost	Karla	G&W Electric
VM	Uzelac	Nenad	G&W Electric
VM	Ward	Jeff	Retired
VM	Wenzel	James	Eaton
VM	Wilkie	Eddie	Eaton
NVM	Adair	Brian	Intermountain Electronics Inc.
NVM	Aduloju	George	S&C Electric Company
NVM	Ashtekar	Koustubh	JST POWER EQUIPMENT

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NVM	Balasubramanian	Ganesh	Eaton Corporation
NVM	Benedict	Jacob	PPL
NVM	Beseda	David	S&C Electric Co.
NVM	Biradar	Siddangoud	Eaton Corporation
NVM	Blake	Keith	Schneider Electric
NVM	Blakemore	Joseph	Meiden America Switchgear, Inc.
NVM	Botelho	Marcos	IEC Germany / Siemens AG
NVM	Bouche	Nick	Switchgear Power Systems
NVM	Bridges	Christopher	Eaton
NVM	Brooks	Adam	Duke Energy
NVM	Burns	Robert	Eaton
NVM	Caverly	David	Trench Ltd.
NVM	Chhabra	Mohit	S&C Electric Company
NVM	Cooper	Jeramie	Eaton
NVM	Coziuc	Fiori	S&C Electric Company
NVM	Dhasaradhan	Madhusti	Switchgear Power Systems
NVM	Di Michele	Federico	CESI S.p.A.
NVM	Doroz	Arkadiusz	Eaton
NVM	Dunn	Chris	Dominion Energy
NVM	Ekpoudom	Assian	Southern States LLC
NVM	French	Christopher	Beta Engineering
NVM	Gerzeny	Brian	Powell Electrical Systems Inc
NVM	Gill	Juan	Southern States Llc
NVM	Haight	Marissa	IEEE
NVM	Hanna	Robert	JST
NVM	Hassan	Mohammad	Siemens Industry
NVM	Howard	Jeffrey	Eaton
NVM	Hunt	Terrnce	Westinghouse
NVM	Jacob	Kai	Siemens AG
NVM	Jaquez	Sara-Kim	ENSPEC
NVM	Kandel	Jackie	Powell Industries, Inc.
NVM	Kurinko	Carl	Hitachi
NVM	Leopard	Johnathan	Eaton
NVM	Lightsey	Daniel	Maverick Power
NVM	Lopez	Leo	WIKI Instrument, LP

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NVM	McCullum	Daniel	Southern Company
NVM	McGlown	Kevin	JST Power Equipment
NVM	Meekins	John	Southern States
NVM	Mori	Dipti	Schneider Electric
NVM	Paul Irudayaraj	Moses	Siemens Industry
NVM	Natale	Anthony	HICO America
NVM	Olivares	Mauricio	Siemens
NVM	Ordein	Fernando	Dominion Energy
NVM	Orosz	Miklos	Circuit Breaker Technology & Support
NVM	Page	Frank	Eaton
NVM	Patil	Lalit	Eaton Corporation
NVM	Pawar	Rahul	ABB
NVM	Rebovich	Justin	GE Vernova
NVM	Santulli	Jennifer	IEEE-SA
NVM	Savulyak	Victor	KEMA Laboratory
NVM	Solanki	Lokeshkumar	Siemens Industry
NVM	Staiger	Daniel	WIKA Instrument, LP
NVM	Terry	Timothy	Meiden America
NVM	Tillery	Timothy	Howard Industries
NVM	Zhang	Wei	Southern Company