Working Group on Smart Distribution
Meeting: January, 12, 2015, Garden Grove (Anaheim), CA
Chair: Larry Clark

Larry Clark welcomed the Group that included 37 representatives of utilities, vendors, and academic institutes. Annual vote for SDWG leadership in compliance with IEEE PES P&P was conducted unanimously electing Larry Clark-Chair, Bob Uluski-Vice Chair and Fred Friend-Secretary. Larry briefly reviewed the IEEE policies on patents, copyrights, membership, etc. The minutes of the last meeting (Washington, DC, July 2014) were briefly discussed including online availability and were subsequently approved unanimously.

John McDaniel and Larry Clark updated the working group on PES reorganization discussions and suggestions. While a recommendation had been made at the PES level to move the DMS TF from the T&D committee to the PSPO committee, however, this reorganization change will not be made at the present time.

Shay Bahramirad updated the progress of the P1854-Project and, identified gaps within the guide and the need for additional volunteers. The PAR expiration date is 31-Dec-2016. The guide sections update included a request for additional assistance with the development of introductions for each section of the guide and development of additional input for the sections for the Efficiency improvement application, the Hosting Capacity and the Outage Management. The following assignments were made:

1. Section 1. Reliability - Rodney Robinson and Joe Viglietta
2. Section 2. PQ and Section 4. Hosting Capacity - Math Bollen
3. Section 3. Efficiency - Bob Uluski
4. Section 4 Hosting Capacity - Julio Romero Aguero
5. Section 5. Market Functions - Amin Khodaei
6. Fred Friend will assist with terminology
7. Julio Romero Aguero reclosing technology/ single phase tripping, pulse closing
8. Francisc Zavoda predictive approach
9. Heidi Caswell, Betty Tobin and Wyatt Pierce will develop concepts around cost drivers

The presentation will be posted to the web site and the document will be sent to today's attendees and all contributors with assignments due by February 28, 2015.

The 'Smart Distribution Systems' tutorial (1/2 day version working with the IEEE PES IGCC) is to be performed on Tuesday, February 17, 2015 at the ISGT meeting in Washington, DC. The invited panel session 'Smart Distribution Applications', Chair: Shay Bahramirad is to be performed at the IEEE PES 2015 ISGT meeting on February 18, 2015.

The Smart Distribution Working group is sponsoring 3 invited panel sessions at the 2015 GM in Denver, CO. The 3 panel topics are 'Role of DERMS/DMS in managing Distributed Energy Resources (DERs)', Chair: Bob Uluski; 'Volt/VAR Control in the Era of the Smart Grid', Chair: Le Xu; and 'Protection design for Smart Distribution', Chair: Nouredine Hadjsaid and Georges Simard.

Larry Clark reported that Anil Pahwa, chair of the DMS DA Award selection committee, is accepting nominations for the 2015 award. The Nomination deadline for the 2015 award is extended to January 31, 2015. Nomination and the supporting letters should be submitted to Anil Pahwa by the nominator by the deadline through email (Pahwa@ksu.edu) with the subject of the email message being "2015 IEEE PES Douglas M. Staszesky Distribution Automation Award - Nomination".

Larry Clark reviewed the requirements for the development of an invited panel proposal. For the IEEE PES 2016 GM, invited panel proposals need to be submitted during 4th quarter 2015. The proposal is to include the title and the moderator for the invited panel proposal.

The 'Smart Distribution Systems' tutorial (Full day, 8-hour course) is to be performed on Sunday, July 26, 2015 at the GM in Denver, CO. The tutorial is an update of the 2010-11 presentations of the SDS Tutorial.

The next SDWG meeting is at 2015 IEEE PES GM in Denver, CO at Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel in Denver, CO on July 26-30, 2015.