

**DISTRIBUTION SUBCOMMITTEE - CHAIR REPORT**  
**WPM 2002**  
**Dan Ward, Chair**

The fate of the proposed PES Power Quality Committee is to be discussed and voted on by the Technical Council at the WPM. I'll be sure to email everyone afterwards on what was decided.

I hate to keep harping on this, but we still need a few new members. If you know of any prospects, please invite them or let me know. As big as IEEE/PES is, we lack a good cross-section of the country's utilities. As a start, think about what major utility companies do not presently participate in IEEE meetings. Think also about some of the major suppliers whose members have retired. I'd be happy to contact those companies, inviting them to attend. We have a lot of new things to talk about, including the distributed generation opportunities, voltage sag indices, custom power, reliability work, the network tutorial, automation and outage management systems, what needs to be done on wildlife protector standards work, and application guides on FCIs. To a large extent, our future success depends on how successful we are in attracting new members.

As always, we're looking for a few good presentations for the subcommittee meeting. Think about what you would like to hear. Contact me or any of the officers if you have one to suggest. Since the SPM is in Chicago, maybe we can invite someone from ComEd to discuss their network reliability improvement work?

Offline, I'd encourage all chairs to look at their meeting schedules. If there are ways to rearrange things and avoid overlap with some of our other groups, it would be a plus.

Sorry I'll miss the WPM, but I plan to be in Chicago.

1-25-02