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The Working Group on Voltages at Publicly and Privately Accessible Locations (aka the Stray & Contact Voltage Working Group) met at the 2014 IEEE PES Joint Technical Committee Meeting on the afternoon of Monday January 13th at the New Orleans Marriott in New Orleans, LA. There were approximately 30 people in attendance. Following review and approval of the Vancouver meeting minutes, the draft document was projected and discussed. Several comments specific to the structure and content of the draft were made, but much of the discussion was centered on the fact the working group's PAR is set to expire in December. The group discussed the implications of PAR expiration and the possibility of moving rapidly to bring the draft to ballot. Erin Spiewak of IEEE SA spoke about the working group's options and provided an explanation of the balloting process. According to Erin, the group should request an extension of the PAR, or it should finalize the draft document and move it to ballot coincident with a request for extension. Both of these actions would have to be started shortly after the PES General Meeting in July. And both would have to be completed by October of this year.

In an attempt to improve progress on the draft and get it ballot ready, it was suggested that a small group of individuals (i.e. an editorial task force) get together before the July meeting and go through the document line by line. The majority of section leads were present in New Orleans and they agreed to meet before the July meeting.

The working group meeting was adjourned following additional discussion of the importance of completing a draft and getting it to ballot.

Following the New Orleans working group meeting, the section leads met in Knoxville, TN on March 18th and 19th. Because the formation of an editorial task force requires majority approval of the working group's voting members, an on-line vote was held. The editorial task force was unanimously approved.