

PES Stationary Battery Committee Meeting Bloomington, IL – September 30, 2001

Meeting Minutes

Attending:

Jim McDowall, Chair
Pete DeMar
Daniel Levin
Tom Bolgeo
Steve Clark
Richard Setchell
Kurt Uhlir
Witold Sokolski
Kim Mosley
Zbig Noworolski
Peter Langan
Omi Samanta

Introductions

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 am. Opening introductions were conducted by Jim McDowall. Please review the roster for your current membership status. See Samuel Norman to be included on the active roster. You must be a PES member, in-addition to IEEE, to join and serve on this technical committee.

Minutes

No comments for change were noted on the minutes from the Toronto meeting in April 2001. The attending membership approved the minutes.

Meetings

SM2001

Jim reported on the Summer PES Meeting held in Vancouver, BC. Attendance was very disappointing, with about 10 people attending the charging & maintenance panel session and 20 at the energy storage session. No technical sessions are planned for WM2002 in New York.

T&D Expo

There will be an energy storage panel session at the T&D Conference in Atlanta on November 1.

Spring '02 SBC/SCC29 Meeting

The current schedule for the spring meeting is April 14 at the SanDestin Beach Resort in Florida. There is a conflict between this date and EESAT 2002. (Later in the SCC29 meeting, it was

agreed to try to change the dates to April 24-26 for SCC29, and the afternoon of April 26 for SBC. This is the week before BATTCON.)

The following topics were put forward for the panel sessions at the next meeting. The number in parentheses indicates the number of votes for each topic, and italics indicates the topics that were offered for voting by the SCC29 membership. Their votes are recorded in square brackets [].

Advanced battery technologies (8) [1]

Coup de fouet effects (5)

Advanced test equipment (10) [14]

Integrated vs. segregated dc systems (1)

Charging philosophy (7) [18]

Battery protection (4) [17]

The panel sessions in spring '02 will therefore be 'Charging Philosophy,' chaired by Tim Bolgeo; and 'Battery Protection,' chaired by Richard Setchell.

Future of the Committee

The future of the SBC was discussed. The committee has not reached 'critical mass' and there is too much work for too few active volunteers. After some discussion, three options were defined:

- Disband the SBC
- 'Demote' the SBC to subcommittee status (probably under ED&PGC)
- Combine SCC29 with the SBC under PES

In order to seek input from SCC29 members, the discussion was later continued as part of the SCC29 meeting. Jim McDowall gave a brief presentation and led a discussion on the options. There was unanimous support in SCC29 for exploring the option of terminating SCC29 and moving the battery standards back under PES.

Adjourn

The meeting was recessed until the panel sessions and subsequently adjourned.