PES Stationary Battery Committee Meeting Minutes

January 08, 2007

Monday, January 08, 2007; Chattanooga, Tennessee

1. **Introductions**

Robert Fletcher called the meeting to order at 08:00.

The PES Stationary Battery Committee thanks Tim Bolgeio for organizing the meeting.

Allen Byrne made a clarification to the minutes stating T1-311 and T1-315 standards were discussed by ATIS at the meeting in Las Vegas. A motion was made by Jim McDowell to accept the minutes as corrected from the June 29, 2006 Charlotte, North Carolina meeting. The motion was seconded by Allen Byrne and carried.

Of the 51 voting members, there were 39 members present. 20 guests attended for a total of 59 attendees.

2. **Standards and Working Group Status**

Jose Marrero and the working group chairs provided an update on the various standards.

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<tr>
<td>485</td>
<td>Lead Acid Sizing</td>
<td>Fletcher</td>
<td>1997</td>
<td>Reaffirmed in 2003. Par has been submitted and approved. Working group will review changes this next meeting.</td>
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<td>535</td>
<td>Nuclear Battery Qualification</td>
<td>R. Beavers</td>
<td>1994</td>
<td>Approved revision by IEEE in December 2006 and should be published in the next few months.</td>
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<td>1115</td>
<td>NiCad Sizing</td>
<td>McDowall</td>
<td>2000</td>
<td>Reaffirmed in 2005. PAR for a one page amendment has been submitted. Balloted and approved but with editorial comments.</td>
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<td>UPS Battery</td>
<td>Patel</td>
<td>2006</td>
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<td>1187</td>
<td>VRLA Installation</td>
<td>Jump</td>
<td>2002</td>
<td>Meeting this week to discuss actions required on the standard.</td>
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<td>1188</td>
<td>VRLA Maint and Testing</td>
<td>Cantor</td>
<td>2005</td>
<td>Published in 2005. No action at this time.</td>
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<td>1491</td>
<td>Battery Monitoring</td>
<td>Cotton</td>
<td>2005</td>
<td>Approved PAR for revision. Discussion this meeting.</td>
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<td>1578</td>
<td>Spill Containment</td>
<td>Taylor</td>
<td>Draft</td>
<td>Has been balloted in Dec 2006. Received 11 comments for resolution this meeting. PAR approved extension through 2008.</td>
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<td>1625</td>
<td>Portable Computer Batteries</td>
<td>Layton</td>
<td>2004</td>
<td>PAR has been approved to revise the standard.</td>
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<td>1635</td>
<td>Ventilation Document</td>
<td>Clark</td>
<td>Draft</td>
<td>Document is ready for ballot but IEEE and ASHRAE need to agree on balloting method. The IEEE mandatory editorial review has been completed. PAR expires in Dec 2007.</td>
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<td>1657</td>
<td>Technician Qualification</td>
<td>Ashton</td>
<td>Draft</td>
<td>WG meeting this week to review the drafted document. Balloting should occur before the end of the year.</td>
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<td>1660</td>
<td>Battery Cycling</td>
<td>Corey</td>
<td>Draft</td>
<td>Battery Cycling Applications. Draft prepared. Will discuss this meeting. Needs editing and then ballot.</td>
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<td>Cell Phone Battery</td>
<td>Latham</td>
<td>2006</td>
<td>Cell Phone Battery WG – Approved in 2006.</td>
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<td>1825</td>
<td>Digital Camera</td>
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Nuclear Power WG – Chair: Sam Shah. General discussion of plant issues as well as TSTF-360 will occur this meeting.

The Battery Definitions WG – Chair: Steve McCluer
Steve reported that the group has met several times and is making progress. They will meet during this meeting on Sunday morning and in evening sessions.

Working Group Chairs should submit their drafts and minutes to the Web Master, Jim McDowall, for posting on the Web site private area.

3. Interpretations report.
None requested during this period.

4. Coordination

ATIS (Alliance for Telecommunication Industry Solutions) provides changes to ANSI T1 documents – Tom Croda of CSI Telecommunications Engineers provided an update that T1.330 on VRLA Batteries used in Telecommunications Environments is being developed and T1.311 and T1.315 are in the revision process.

SCC-21 – Jim McDowell provided an update. Two standards are being reviewed, P1561 and P1562. P1521 is the Guide for Optimizing the Performance and Life of Lead Acid Batteries in Remote Hybrid Power Systems, and P1562 is the Guide for Array and Battery Sizing in Stand-Alone PV Systems.

The next Battconn is scheduled for the week of May 1 – 3, 2007.

5. Technical Activities

Panel Sessions - A discussion was held on possible panel sessions for the next meeting. After voting from a broad selection of topics, the following panel session topics were chosen:

Load Testing – Allen Byrne as Chair.
Arc Flash Protection / Batteries / NFPA 70E – Mike Jump as Chair.

6. Site Selection Committee
IEEE PES STATIONARY BATTERY COMMITTEE

June 10 – 14, 2007 – Columbus, OH – with Rick Tressler and Alber sponsoring Holiday Inn Worthington

January 2008 – Dallas, TX - Steve McClure
Summer 2008 – Chicago, IL – Kurt Uhlir
Winter 2009 – Fort Lauderdale, FL - Dan McMenamin
Summer 2009 - tbd
Winter 2010 - San Diego, CA – Bansi Patel

See the Web Site for more information & other possible future locations.

7. New Business

The next General PES Meeting is scheduled for June 24-28, 2007 in Tampa, Fl.

Steve McClure asked if the committee is interested in updating the National Electric Code on battery information which is out of date. Similarly other NFPA documents have information that needs to be updated.

A motion was made to form a Task Force to address NFPA documents that affect batteries. The motion carried with all members voting in the affirmative to form a Task Force and Steve McClure will chair the effort.

Steve McClure asked if we want to address MSDS areas where information may not be complete or is inconsistent to address all safety issues. Steve will chair an ad-hoc committee which will look into this issue and make a recommendation at our next meeting.

Allen Byrne will have a presentation on the Emerald Book, IEEE 1100, Grounding of Electronic Equipment.

At this time, the meeting was recessed.

Working groups were convened for standards processing. The working groups meeting are P450, P484, P485, P1187, P1189, P1578, P1491, P1635/200, P1657, P1660, P1679, the Nuclear Power Working Group, and the Battery Definitions Working Group.

Tuesday, January 9
Working Group meetings continued.

**Wednesday, January 10**

Working Group meetings continued.

**Thursday, January 11**

Working Group meetings continued.

11:30 am: The full committee was re-opened to discuss progress of the working groups and sub-committees.

Committee and working group progress and action items are listed in their respective minutes.

At this time the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Jeffrey LaMarca
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b) A statement that a license for such implementation will be made available without compensation or under reasonable rates, with reasonable terms and conditions that are demonstrably free of any unfair discrimination.

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