IEEE Power Engineering Society Switchgear Committee C37.20.4 Working Group Report 18 October 2011

The working group met Monday, Oct 10, at 1:30 pm, and again Wed, Oct 12 at 10:15.

Attendance of the members was as shown below.

C.	Ball (P)	A.	Jivanani (A)	A.	Patel (P)
P.	Barnhart (P)	D.	Mazumdar (P)	R.	Puckett (P)
J.	Baskin (P)	S.	Meiners (A)	J.	Smith (P)
E.	Byron (P)	C.	Morris (A)	P.	Sullivan (P)
L.	Farr (P)	T.	Olsen (P)	J.	Toney (E)
D.	Giraud (P)	M.	Orosz (P)	C.	Tailor (P)
R.	Hartzel (P)	R.	Parthasarathi (A)	L.	Yonce (P)

P = present, E = excused, A = absent

Attendance also included the following guests.

R.	Boyce	R.	Hughes	F.	Mayle
R.	Cohn	S.	Hutchinson	A.	Morgan
D.	Elliot	T.	Lagerstrom	E.	Peters
T.	Esco	A.	Livshitz	R.	Warren
D.	Gohil	R.	Maday	M.	Williford

Patents:

IEEE-SA rules on Patents were reviewed. The introductory slide and slides #1 through #5 of the IEEE-SA Patents Slide Set dated 25-March-2008 were shown. The WG attendees were advised:

- The IEEE's patent policy is consistent with the ANSI patent policy and is described in Clause 6 of the IEEE-SA Standards Board Bylaws;
- Early identification of patent claims which may be essential for the use of standards under development is encouraged;
- There may be Essential Patent Claims of which the IEEE is not aware. Additionally, neither the IEEE, nor the WG, nor the WG chair can ensure the accuracy or completeness of any assurance or whether any such assurance is, in fact, of a Patent Claim that is essential for the use of the standard under development.

The participants were provided an opportunity to identify patent claim(s)/patent application claim(s) and/or the holder of patent claim(s)/patent application claim(s) that the participant believes may be essential for the use of the standard which will result from the activity of the WG.

No responses were received during the meeting regarding patent claim(s)/patent application claim(s) and/or the holder of the patent claim(s)/patent application claim(s) that were identified (if any) and by whom.

The Working Group reviewed twenty pages worth of comments from Bob Puckett. There was not enough time to cover comments from Ted Olsen. Chuck Ball will resolve the remaining items with Bob and Ted, update the draft in accordance the fall meeting, and then distribute the updated draft to the working group. A conference call will be arranged for the working group to discuss the resolution.

Outstanding work includes review of clause 8. Chuck Ball will assemble his comments on any changes that may be required and distribute these to the working group. If necessary, a conference call will be held to resolve open issues.

A year extension of the PAR was requested. . Note, Larry Davis, Steven Lapidus and Tim Robirds have missed most or all of the last three years meetings and are no longer listed in the AMS directory so they have been removed from membership in this working group.

Report submitted by Chuck Ball, Working Group Chair