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Smart Grid Interoperability Panel

Monday, January 24, 2011

Call for Plenary Secretary Candidates Begins Today

SGIP Leadership is seeking nominations for the 2011 Plenary Secretary.

The Plenary Secretary works closely with the SGIP Administrator team in providing support to the SGIP membership, including but not limited to: scheduling meetings, notifying members of SGIP meetings, preparing agendas, and recording and posting minutes. Additionally, the Plenary Secretary posts proposed additions and deletions to the Interoperability Knowledge Base (IKB) upon approval of the SGIP. The Secretary serves a term of one year and cannot serve for a consecutive term.

Key Dates:

- Jan. 24th: Call for candidates open at 9 am Eastern. For consideration, candidates must belong to a Participating Member organization (*click for list*).
- Jan. 31st: Call for candidates closes at 5 pm Eastern.
- Feb. 9th: Slate of Candidates posted to Twiki for Member Review
- Feb. 14th: Voting opens at 9 am Eastern. Eligible Voting Representative will be reminded via email.
- Feb. 22nd: Voting closes at 5 pm Eastern.
- Feb. 23rd: New Secretary announced.

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Requesting Your Help: Seeking PAP Proposals

SGIP Leadership is seeking possible new PAPs. Now is the opportunity to share your ideas to identify standards gaps or overlaps not currently being addressed. To submit your ideas for Priority Action Plans, please follow this Twiki link (**SmartGrid/PriorityActionPlans**)

Be sure to include the following information:

- PAP title
- Objective
- Proposal timeline
- Champions for the PAP

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Reminder of Three Special Smart Grid Events

1. *Roundtable to Discuss Federal Government Engagement in Standards is Tomorrow*

What is the appropriate role for the federal government in convening industry stakeholders and catalyzing standards development and use? How should the federal government engage in sectors where there is a compelling national interest? How are existing public-private initiatives in standardization working?

On January 25th, the U.S. Department of Commerce and the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) are hosting a moderated panel discussion with thought leaders from industry and academia on this important topic.
To learn more or attend, please click here: **http://www.nist.gov/el/standards_roundtable.cfm**

2. Call for Papers Reminder: ETSI workshop on Smart Grid

The European Telecommunications Standards Institute (ETSI) is soliciting SGIP participation in their upcoming workshop. In the spirit of international collaboration, we encourage your consideration to respond to their call for papers announcement (see link for complete letter).

In particular, ETSI organizers are interested in understanding the commonalities between the North American and European Union standards approaches. **The deadline for sending an abstract is January 30th.** A selection committee meeting will be held in early February and the selected papers will be announced shortly thereafter.

More information is available at **http://www.etsi.org/smartgridsws.**

3. FERC Holding Technical Conference on January 31st

On Monday, January 31, 2011 at 1 p.m. Eastern, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) will hold a Technical Conference to obtain further information to aid the Commission's determination of whether there is ''sufficient consensus'' that the five families of standards posted by the National Institute of Standards and Technology and included in this proceeding are ready for Commission consideration in a rulemaking proceeding, as directed by section 1305(d) of the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007.

The technical conference will be led by Commission staff. Commissioners may attend the conference. Conference will be held at FERC Headquarters, Commission Meeting Room, 888 First St. N.E. Washington, D.C. 20426.

A free live webcast is available for this meeting. Anyone with Internet access who desires to listen to this event can do so. To learn more or attend, please visit **http://www.ferc.gov/EventCalendar**.

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Registration now open for the 2011 SGIP Spring Face-to-Face Meeting

March 29-31 at the Sheraton Music City Hotel in Nashville

Registration is underway for the SGIP Spring 2011 Face-to-Face meeting. This will be a key meeting for PAP and Committee teams to come together and continue their great progress.

To review the agenda and/or register, click here.

March 12th is the last day to book your hotel room at the special rate of $139. ***To make your reservation call 615.885.2200 (mention "SGIP Spring Meeting") or click here.***

SGIP Plenary Meeting Materials Posted this Friday at 1pm Eastern

The slides, audio recording and more have now been posted to the TWiki. You can find them under "About SGIP" or **click here**.

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Contact SGIP Leadership and Administrator at **sgipgb.administrator@enernex.com**

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