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Smart Grid Interoperability Panel

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Governing Board Election Complete; 2011 Governing Board Announced

Elections wrapped up Friday for the open Governing Board seats. These members, even-numbered stakeholder categories, will begin their two-year term on January 1, 2011.

Here are the election results:

Category 2: Commercial and Industrial Equipment Manufacturers and Automation Vendors	Tariq Samad, Honeywell
Category 4: Electric Transportation Industry Stakeholders	Rich Scholer, Ford Motor Company
Category 6: Electric Utility Companies — Municipal (MUNI)	Stephen Muchlinski, Tacoma Public Utilities
Category 8: Electricity and Financial Market Traders (includes Aggregators)	Chuck Shih, Edge Holdings LLC
Category 10: Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Infrastructure and Service Providers	Matthew Theall, HomeGrid Forum
Category 12: Power Equipment Manufacturers and Vendors	Robby Simpson, General Electric
Category 14: R&D Organizations and Academia	Mladen Kezunovic, Texas A&M University
Category 16: Renewable Power Producers	John Nunneley, SunSpec Alliance
Category 18: Standards and Specification Development Organizations (SDOs)	John Caskey, National Electrical Manufacturers Assoc. (NEMA)
Category 20: Testing and Certification Vendors	Rik Drummond, Drummond Group Inc.
Category 22: Venture Capital	Scott Ungerer, EnerTech Capital

Congratulations again to all!

For a look at the entire 2011 Governing Board, please visit the TWiki.

New Working Group Seeking Members: A Letter from Chairman Chuck Shih

SGIP IPR (Intellectual Property Rights) WORKING GROUP
SEEKS INTERESTED SGIP MEMBERS TO PARTICIPATE

The charter of the SGIP IPR Working Group is as follows:
"The SGIP IPR Working Group is charged to develop and maintain the SGIP IPR Policy, and to provide a Forum to review and recommend revisions and additions to the SGIP IPR Policy. The IPR WG will also make recommendations related to the SGIP IPR Policy for the SGIP Operations Manual. It will also be the location for initial discussions for all IPR matters whether related to patents, copyrights, trademarks, or other forms of IPR."

If you are interested in participating in the SGIP IPR Working Group, either as an active participant or just to monitor its work, please email me ASAP so we can get you on the distribution list. Send an email to me at **Chuck@edgeholdingsllc.com** with a copy to Malcolm Thaden the assigned staff to the SGIP IPRWG from EnerNex, mthaden@ec.rr.com.

We will look at what the SGIP needs internally related to an SGIP IPR Policy, and as explained during Mark Klerer's presentations this past week at the SGIP Governing Board meeting, with respect to the Standards Catalog: what we will need to characterize the "IPR Regimes" of SSOs submitting standards or specifications for consideration by SGIP.

I am looking for individuals who are **subject matter experts** in this area, and familiar with the intersection of IPR, such as Patents, Copyrights, Trademarks and Standards Development. Also those familiar with IPR policies of the SSOs who have standards already listed in the NIST Framework document, NIST Special Publication 1108 would be helpful.

The working group will report to the SGIP Governing Board, and any decisions on changes, modifications, or adoption of an SGIP IPR Policy will be in accordance with the By-laws. I plan to have a Vice Chair position elected from among the SGIP IPR Working Group participants, again in accordance with the By-laws. The Vice Chair will need to be a subject matter expert.

So in your email to Malcolm and me:

- Indicate if you believe you will be an active participant or if you just want to be on the mailing list to monitor the work (observing member). If you desire, as an SGIP Participating Member your representative could be your inside or outside counsel for IPR matters.

- If you intend to be active, indicate other IPR groups or organizations you currently participate in such as SDO IPR groups, trade association IPR groups, or bar association groups related to IPR and standards.

- Finally, review the SSOs listed in the NIST Framework document and advise me of which of those SSOs you participate in, and have knowledge of their IPR policies, or if you participate in their IPR oversight group.

Thank you for your timely responses and the conference call number will be sent shortly.

Chuck Shih
Chairman, SGIP IPRWG

For more information, please visit IPRWG on the TWiki.

SGIP Winter 2010 Meeting Materials Now Posted

Over 450 SGIP members attended our most recent sessions during Grid-Interop 2010. Thank you to all those who attended – in person and remotely – the SGIP sessions last week in Chicago.

For audio recordings, presentations and list of attendees, please visit here.

Upcoming SGIP 2011 Meeting Dates

- Jan. 13th, 1pm Eastern. SGIP Governing Board meeting.
- Jan. 21st, 1pm Eastern. SGIP Plenary meeting (attendance mandatory for Participating Member organizations)
- March 29 through 31. SGIP Spring Meeting in Nashville (attendance mandatory for Participating Member organizations).

To review other events and/or register, click here.

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