Designated Entity Design Standards Subcommittee (DEDSSTF) Charter

This charter describes the objectives (mission) and responsibilities of this stakeholder group to complete the specific scope of work assigned by the Planning Committee (PC).

**Charge Summary - Mission**

The Designated Entity Design Standards Subcommittee reports to the Planning Committee. The **Issue Charge** states that the purpose **The mission** of this group is to establish and maintain minimum design standards to assure a minimum level of robustness is provided such that the new competitively-solicited facility (one that would require the signing of a Designated Entity Agreement) would not introduce a weak point in the system in terms of performance. These minimum design standards would only apply to projects that would require signing of a Designated Entity Agreement.

This issue was identified by the Planning Committee through “lessons learned” review of the implementation of FERC Order 1000 related processes. The Designated Entity Design Standards Problem Statement was brought forward by PJM and approved by the PC on July 9, 2015.

**Key Work Activities - Responsibilities**

1. Develop and maintain minimum design standards, which would take into consideration geography, and physical and other local needs (noise level, undergrounding requirements, etc.) of the project. The minimum design standards would address the following areas.
   - Transmission Lines
   - Substations
   - System Protection and Control Design and Coordination

2. Review the standards at least once every two years to ensure the standards are current with industry practices.

3. Recommend changes to the Minimum Design Standards to the PC for approval.

**Expected Deliverables, Milestones, and Deadlines**
The DEDSTF should provide back to the PC recommended minimum design standards that will be posted and incorporated in the window process documents. In addition, the DEDSTF should provide back to the PC any potential changes to the governing documents and manuals, as necessary. The expected duration of the work is 12 to 24 months.

**Administrative Details**

1. The DEDSS shall report to the PC.
2. The DEDSS will be chaired by a representative of the PJM Staff.
3. The group will periodically report its activities to the Planning Committee.
4. Meeting minutes and all meeting materials will be published on the PJM web site.
5. Membership in the group is open and will be identified by volunteerism. Group members are not required to sign a confidentiality agreement or non-disclosure agreement.

**Group Name:** Designated Entity Design Standards Task Force (DEDSTF)

**Parent Committee:** Planning Committee (PC)

**Facilitator:** Michael Herman

**Secretary:** Anisha Fernandes

**Web Page:** [http://www.pjm.com/committees-and-groups/task-forces/dedstf.aspx](http://www.pjm.com/committees-and-groups/task-forces/dedstf.aspx)

**Meeting Frequency:** Monthly, or as needed.

**Expected Overall Duration of Work:** 12-24 months
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The group will prepare a final report (the Consensus Proposal Report or Proposal Alternatives Report whichever is applicable). This report will constitute its recommendation to the parent Standing Committee to resolve the issue.

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