OVERVIEW

New electricity transmission, transmission expansion, and transmission upgrades are being proposed in every region of the US and Canada. Electricity transmission, and the need for more of it, is the key to many of North America’s energy goals, including: increased reliability and security, the integration of more renewable energy, more competitive markets, and the construction and implementation of a smart grid. In addition, new transmission market mechanisms are being applied in many US regions.

This course is designed to provide a practical overview of electricity transmission and the transmission system for non-engineers or those who are new to the industry. The course will cover how new transmission is designed and planned and how the transmission system is regulated. Important topics such as markets and new technologies will also be discussed.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

• Define and describe the major concepts of electricity transmission
• Explain considerations that impact transmission planning and design
• Analyze the importance of transmission reliability and the factors that can affect it
• Examine the purpose, role, and impact of NERC
• Identify the main drivers for new transmission and discuss the many challenges of transmission expansion
• Review the history and trajectory of FERC regulations for transmission planning and cost allocation
• Examine the structure of major transmission markets in the US and comprehend how the market system operates

“For someone with a very basic level of knowledge in the transmission industry, this course provided excellent examples and definitions to make it easy to understand.”

Corporate Communications Specialist, ATC

“A great course for learning the basics of the electricity industry and increasing general industry knowledge.”

Compliance Assistant, NERC

“A helpful and beneficial course for individuals that do not have an energy background. I can go back to work feeling prepared for new and current projects.”

Associate Counsel, NERC
AGENDA

TUESDAY, JULY 11, 2017

8:00 – 8:30 am  
Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:30 am – 5:00 pm  
Course Timing

12:00 – 1:00 pm  
Group Luncheon

• Basic Electricity Concepts  
  o Terms and definitions  
  o Relationship of voltage, current, resistance and power  
  o Alternating current and voltage

• Load  
  o Sectors and characteristics  
  o Drive costs

• Generation  
  o Electricity generation basics  
  o Typical power system components

• Transmission  
  o Primary functions  
  o Major components  
  o High voltage DC transmission (HVDC)

• FERC and State Regulation  
  o FERC regulatory authority  
  o State regulation

• Reliability and Compliance  
  o ERO (NERC) compliance process overview  
  o Bulk electric system reliability

• Transmission Line Losses

• System Integration and Grid Operation  
  o System operations terminology  
  o Control area / balancing area  
  o Ancillary services

• Power System Protection Basics

• Transmission Planning Concepts

• Design & Planning  
  o ROW considerations  
  o Configurations  
  o NECS  
  o Survey  
  o Types of structures  
  o NERC compliance

“Perfect class for analysts, or those of that nature. Provides a great base of knowledge for the overall electrical system.”

Project Analyst, SCE

“Any utility employee or contractor would benefit from this class as a high level overview of the transmission interconnection system across the US.”

Project Manager, The Morse Group
AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, JULY 12, 2017

8:00 – 8:30 am  
Continental Breakfast

8:30 am – 12:00 pm  
Course Timing

- Energy
- Wholesale Power Markets
- RTO’s/ISO’s
  - RTO advantages and disadvantages
  - FERC authority over RTOs/ISOs
- Regional Organized Markets
  - The players
- Locational Marginal Prices (LMP)
  - Components of LMP
  - Three bus examples for LMP
- Transmission Congestion and Risk Management
  - Financial Transmission Rights (FTRs)
- Emerging Issues: Challenges and Opportunities

COURSE INSTRUCTORS

Raj Rana, PE, MBA, CEM, PMP, NERC Cert.

Raj Rana is engaged in providing consulting services in the areas of transmission planning and operation, NERC reliability compliance, energy efficiency, wholesale energy markets, transmission access as well as project management.

He worked for American Electric Power (AEP) for many years primarily in the areas covering transmission planning and operation, transmission access, NERC reliability compliance, regulatory and RTO policy, and RTO. He has a BSEE degree from M. S. University (India), MSEE degree from West Virginia University, and MBA degree from University of Dayton. He also completed the AEP Management Development Program at the Fisher Business College of the Ohio State University. He holds the Ohio State PE license. He is a Certified Energy Manager (CEM), and Project Management Professional (PMP), and NERC certified reliability coordinator. He is a Life Senior Member of IEEE. He is also a member of the Association of Energy Engineers (AEE) and the Project Management Institute (PMI).

Edward Weber

Senior Transmission Planning Advisor/Project Manager, HDR Engineering Inc.

Ed Weber is a senior electrical engineer with over 35 years of experience in power system analysis and planning throughout the US. He has extensive experience in power system reliability compliance, and system modeling; power flow and stability analysis; transmission tariff process and generator interconnections. Ed’s experience includes over 30 years of management of large power projects requiring coordination of project planning, design, and environmental activities; coordination of consultant activities; coordination of regulatory and contractual activities; interfacing with the developers and transmission owners and operators; and preparation of technical reports. He has supervised a diverse staff of professional engineers and was responsible for all facets of power system planning and operational support across the country. Since coming to HDR Engineering, Ed has worked on several large transmission and generation projects along with conducting numerous planning and interconnection studies for a long list of clients.
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Participants must sign in/out each day and be in attendance for the entirety of the course to be eligible for continuing education credit.

INSTRUCTIONAL METHODS

Case studies and PowerPoint presentations will be used in this program.

PROCEEDINGS

The proceedings of the course will be published, and one copy will be distributed to each registrant at the course.

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