

EGSA Fall Conference Government Relations Committee Meeting Minutes for September 25, 2018

Location: Gaylord Opryland, Nashville, TN

In-Person attendees: Sign-In sheet attached for in-person attendees

Attendees by telephone: Tom Bozada (Tactical Microgrid Standards Consortium)

Presenter contact information: Jeffrey Dorko, FEMA; Tom Bozada
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Meeting began at about 1:05 PM local time

The committee chair, Mr. Mazen Badr, gave opening remarks. He discussed that we would not have a presentation from PM-E2S2 for this session. Tom Bozada with the Tactical Microgrid Standards Consortium will provide an update by telephone and Mr. Jeffrey Dorko from FEMA is in attendance to answer questions and have a conversation with members. Members in the room gave introductions of themselves.

Mr. Dorko with FEMA took the floor for discussion and questions (1:15 PM):

- Discussed current and recent bids that had gone out from FEMA for buying, renting, storing, and prepping generator sets for catastrophes.
- Discussed the need for FEMA to balance the sizes of generator sets available to them and possibly standardize on specific capabilities within each generator set in future purchases.
- He said that FEMA currently has a need to maintain about 750 generator sets of varying sizes from about 20 kW up to 2 MW in its inventory. There are quite a few generator sets, out of the 750, that are still in use in Puerto Rico and other recent disaster areas.
- When FEMA needs to purchase equipment, the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) is the purchasing entity that does this for them.

Mr. Bader began a discussion of Committee business at 2:10 PM. He nominated Paul Wilhelm, Comap Controls, for Chairman and Vinnie Davidson, L3 Westwood, for Vice Chair. There were no objections to the nominations and Paul and Vinnie were voted in. Mr. Bader mentioned that we also needed a Secretary for the Committee and asked for volunteers, but none was forthcoming.

Tom Bozada began his presentation (slides attached). Highlights (2:15 PM):

- To distinguish the tactical microgrid from other definitions of the word microgrid, Tom is now calling the tactical microgrid the Universal Advanced Power System or Architecture.
- Definition of Energy Resilience (as it applies to the military): the ability to avoid, prepare for, minimize, adapt to, and recover from anticipated and unanticipated energy disruptions.
 - This is to ensure mission readiness and success

- Including task critical assets and other mission essential operations and to execute or rapidly reestablish mission essential requirements
- There were several questions regarding the Cybersecurity aspect of the Tactical Microgrid Standard. It was agreed that there would be a separate conference call/webinar on Cybersecurity at a later date. Mr. Bader will coordinate with Mr. Bozada and notify committee members of the date and time so they may participate if they desire.

Mr. Dan Bordui from the Dealer & Distributor Committee updated us on an initiative by the Codes & Standards Committee to evolve the fuel requirements in NFPA 110. He suggested that we help their committee get in touch with Medicare/Medicaid backup power department to get them onboard with the changes EGSA is pushing for.

At this point the meeting was adjourned.