



Oregon Joint Use Association

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Oregon Joint Use Association Prioritization of Repairs Committee

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OJUA Mission:

Become a resource that builds trust, cooperation and organization between support structure (pole) owners, users and government entities that will result in a safe efficient use of the Right of Way and a self-sustaining nonprofit association.

OJUA Prioritization of Repairs Committee

During the Docket 506 hearing in 2006 the OJUA agreed to form a committee that would oversee the work of further defining types of violations of Commission Safety Rules for the prioritization of repairs called for in the new Division 24. The purpose of this committee is to recommend a standard approach for prioritization and best practices to the industry. The OJUA would like to have input from all stakeholders to ensure broad based support for the final product of this work. The text of the rule is shown below:

http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/rules/OARS_800/OAR_860/860_024.html

860-024-0012

Prioritization of Repairs by Operators of Electric Supply Facilities and Operators of Communication Facilities

- (1) A violation of the Commission Safety Rules that poses an imminent danger to life or property must be repaired, disconnected, or isolated by the operator immediately after discovery.
- (2) Except as otherwise provided by this rule, the operator must correct violations of Commission Safety Rules no later than two years after discovery.
- (3) An operator may elect to defer correction of violations of the Commission Safety Rules that pose little or no foreseeable risk of danger to life or property to correction during the next major work activity.

- (a) In no event shall a deferral under this section extend for more than ten years after discovery.
- (b) The operator must develop a plan detailing how it will remedy each such violation.
- (c) If more than one operator is affected by the deferral, all affected operators must agree to the plan. If any affected operators do not agree to the plan, the correction of violation(s) may not be deferred.
- (4) For good cause shown, or where equivalent safety can be achieved, unless otherwise prohibited by law, the Commission may for a specific installation waive the requirements of OAR 860-024-0012.

Stat. Auth.: ORS 183, 756, 757 & 759
Stat. Implemented: ORS 757.035
Hist.: PUC 9-2006, f. & cert. ef. 9-28-06

The OJUA held the organizational meeting on January 18, 2007 at the Salem office of PGE. Bill Woods of PacifiCorp will chair the committee and John Sullivan will serve as vice-chair (in Bill's absence). The basic agenda of the meetings will be as follows:

1. Define A, B, and C violations.
2. Review any work brought forward by industry members.
3. Develop process for tracking deferral, violations and repairs.
4. Develop document for industry use.

The POR Committee will meet four times and will host two Industry Workshops on the following dates and locations:

- Committee meeting February 1, 2007 at PGE (Kale Street Salem) 9 AM to 12 noon
- Committee meeting February 14th at EWEB in Eugene (9AM to noon)
- Committee meeting March 1st at PGE in Salem (John Sullivan to get the room) (9 AM to noon)
- March 15th OJUA Board meeting 10 AM to 12 noon then POR committee 1 PM to 3 PM
- Workshop March 22nd at PGE in Salem (John Sullivan to get the room) 9 AM to 3 PM
- Workshop April 5th in Central Oregon (Wendy Knodel to get the location) (Workshop) 10 AM to noon (Workshop) noon to 3 PM committee work
- Deliver work product to Joint Use Industry April 17th and 18th OJUA NESC Spring Training.

The committee will present the finished Prioritization Document to the industry at the OJUA NESC Spring Training. Wendy Knodel of the OJUA staff will provide support and document the meetings.

If you or someone you know has a strong interest in being on the committee, please let Bill Woods (Bill.Woods@PacifiCorp.com) and Wendy Knodel (wendy@westernadvocates.com) know. If you want to be on the e-mail list for this committee, let Wendy know.

If you or your company has done any work on defining A, B and C violations or have thoughts on the subject, please bring them forward.

Dedicated to the Education, Cooperation,
and Resolution of Utility Joint Use Issues
