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STUDY COMMITTEE B2
Terms of reference of Working Group B2.53 : 2011- 2014

WG number: WG B2.53	Name of Convener: Keith Lindsey (USA)
Title Management guidelines for outsourcing OHTL technical expertise	
Needs of Target Groups: SC B2 Strategic Plan, July 2009: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Issues for decision makers.	
Background : <p>Asset managers have been outsourcing technical work for many years. The question arises: what is the right balance between outsourcing vs. maintaining in-house technical expertise? This study will present guidelines to answer this question. In addition the study will present some best practices for transferring in-house expertise to, and retention of, new engineers and field personnel that do not have an Overhead Transmission Line (OHTL) background.</p>	
Scope : <p>Management considerations and guidelines for balancing outsourcing and maintaining in-house technical expertise for overhead transmission line engineering, maintenance and construction.</p>	
Deliverables : <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Technical report and Electra article- Presentation of tutorial at CIGRE session	
Time schedule : <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Establishment of the WG and definition of the proceeding (2011)- Completion of review and analysis (September 2013)- Preparation of 1st draft report and recommendations (2013)- Final report and presentation of results (CIGRE Session 2014)	
Other SCs and WG concerned by the work: <p>To be determined. Possible interest from SC B3 concerning applications to substation technical expertise</p>	
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