

## Southern California Joint Pole Committee

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January 5, 2000

A meeting of the **ad hoc Committee on Computer Communications** took place on the above date, at 9:00 a.m., at the Committee office. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Chris Bengtsson	City of Los Angeles
Mr. Dan Lewis	GTE of Calif., Inc.
Ms. Lupe Hernandez	Pacific Bell
Ms. Sherri Goetz	So. Calif. Edison Co.
Mr. Mike Torelli	City of Riverside
Mr. Cory Autrey	Pacific Bell Wireless
Ms. Lynn Prescott	AirTouch Cellular

Guests:

Mr. Walter White	DBNT
Mr. Jim Koch	DBNT
Mr. Naresh Mahta	DBNT

Chairman, Mr. Dan Lewis brought the meeting to order at 9:15 pm. He announced that Mr. Jim Koch and his associates were scheduled at 1:00 pm. He asked the members if they had an opportunity to review the discovery phase assessments and recommendations submitted to the Committee from DBNT. Mr. Lewis stated, that the overview in the proposal explains what was accomplished during the discovery phase. An issues list was compiled during this phase, and their estimated cost to enhance and fix the items related to the issues is \$73,870.00. DNBT is recommending the rental of a test server to develop and enhance the OPCats system offsite. According to DBNT, using a test environment would minimize costs and duration of the project.

Mr. Autrey commented that the estimated cost to enhance and fix the program seemed relatively high. Ms. Goetz agreed with Mr. Autrey. Mr. Lewis responded that the issues list was lengthy. Mr. Autrey remarked that the 42 hours to enhance and fix the issues appeared excessive. Mr. Lewis responded that the cost and hours were merely an estimate. Mr. Torelli questioned whether the \$73,870.00 included the assessment time spent. Mr. Lewis responded that the cost of the discovery phase, which was \$15,100.00 was not included and had already been expensed. Mr. Torelli inquired whether the estimate included an assessment of the billing function. Mr. Lewis

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stated that until all the enhancements and corrections were completed in the initial phase, DBNT could not move forward with the Billing assessment.

Mr. Lewis then suggested that the Committee review the Issues List, item by item, submitted by DBNT to determine whether they are necessary. The members extensively reviewed, and discussed the Issues List, as well as reviewing the hours required for each individual issue. Some modifications were made to the Issues List. However, it was agreed that the Committee could not support DBNT's entire proposal at this time, due to budgetary constraints. The idea of implementing DBNT's recommended enhancements in modules, rather than in its entirety, over a longer period of time was suggested.

Mr. Koch, Mr. White, and Mr. Mahta arrived at 1:00 pm and joined the Committee meeting. Mr. Lewis expressed the Committee's concerns to the project manager Mr. Koch. Members questioned Mr. Koch on the projected hours required to complete the project. He explained that the quoted hours were an estimate, and the costs would not exceed what the quoted costs were on the proposal.

It was agreed, by both the Committee and DBNT, that the proposal would be segregated into four or five modules by DBNT. Upon completion of each individual module, DBNT would then bill the Committee the costs of that particular module.

The Committee adjourned and scheduled a meeting for January 19, 2000 at 1:00 PM. The Committee requested DBNT, to have the revised module proposals to the Committee prior to the January 19, 2000 meeting for their review.

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January 19, 2000

A meeting of the **ad hoc Committee on Computer Communications** took place on the above date, at 10:30 a.m., at the Committee office. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Chris Bengtsson	City of Los Angeles
Mr. Dan Lewis	GTE of Calif., Inc.
Ms. Lupe Hernandez	Pacific Bell
Ms. Sherri Goetz	So. Calif. Edison Co.
Mr. Mike Torelli	City of Riverside
Mr. Cory Autrey	Pacific Bell Wireless
Ms. Lynn Prescott	AirTouch Cellular
Mr. Malcolm Brown	AirTouch Cellular
Mr. Stewart McClausland	Nextlink
Mr. Ralph Hammond	Sprint PCS
Mr. Mike Bogner	Sprint PCS
Ms. Jayme Willis	AT&T Wireless
Mr. Sheldon Cox	City of Pasadena

Chairman, Mr. Dan Lewis brought the meeting to order at 10:30 am. The members reviewed the current DBNT proposal dated January 13, 2000. He stated it appeared there were deletions of certain items off of the Items List, which did not reflect a reduction in hours. The members then proceeded to review and discuss the individual issues at length, in order to ensure that the changes requested by the Committee were addressed by DBNT. The primary issue was with the reduction of hours, and deletions of issues, what functionality was lost in the process.

Mr. Lewis stated that with the deletion of some of the issues, the overall cost of the project was reduced. Mr. Torelli calculated the total hours reduced. He stated the following:

- Project management = decreased 14 hours
- Database = increased 21 hours
- JPA header = decreased 36 hours
- JPA Screen = increased 16 hours
- Submit JPA = decreased 21 hours
- Meetings = decreased 18 hours

This resulted in an overall reduction of 52 hours for the Project Task.

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The stress test was reduced from 56 hours to 5 hours, making the overall total hour reduction of 103 hours.

The members discussed the presentation by Atalla Technologies to the Operating Committee, and how this would relate to the Opcats system. Ms. Corella stated that Mr. Atalla's contract would be for system maintenance only, and would only interact with DBNT and Opcats when requested to do so by the Committee.

DBNT divided the Project Task into four modules. Mr. Torelli grouped the modules in sets creating five different scenarios. The sets were as follows:

- Module 1 = \$19,119.00
- Module 1 = \$25,504.00
- Modules 2 & 3 = \$45,074.00
- Modules 2,3 & 4 = \$53,514.00
- Modules 1 & 2 = 42,369.00

Mr. Lewis then asked the members for their opinion in reference to the module sets created by Mr. Torelli. Mr. Lewis stated that in his opinion Module 1 would be a good starting point. Ms. Corella questioned the possibility of running two separate databases. The Clipper database, which is the current operating system being utilized by the Committee staff, or the SQL Opcats database. This issue will be discussed with DBNT.

The members discussed the proposed Module sets at length. It was agreed to proceed with Modules 1 and 2. Mr. Lewis will contact Mr. Koch and get his response to the questions and concerns of the Committee. A conference call was scheduled for January 25, 2000 at 8:30 AM.

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September 27, 2000

A meeting of the **ad hoc Committee on Computer Communications** took place on the above date, at 9:00 a.m., at the Committee office. Those in attendance were:

Mr. Chris Bengtsson	City of Los Angeles
Mr. Dan Lewis	Verizon Calif., Inc.
Ms. Lupe Hernandez	Pacific Bell
Ms. Kathleen Dell	AT&T Wireless
Mr. Ernie Solorzano	Southern California Edison
Ms. Lynn Prescott	Verizon Wireless
Ms. Jennie Corella	Committee Staff

Guests:

Mr. Jim Koch	DBNT
Mr. Walter White	DBNT

Chairman, Mr. Dan Lewis brought the meeting to order at 9:30 am. The members reviewed the January 13, 2000 issues list. The members addressed each issue individually with Mr. White to verify its status. Currently, the system is unable to print a JPA in the specified JPA form. Mr. Lewis stated that the printing of a JPA in the proper format was not in this module, however, DBNT will evaluate the process and submit a cost estimate for this issue. The global administrator has the program rights to add and delete users. Currently, Mr. Lewis is the OPCaTS global administrator; however, he stated that eventually Ms. Corella will transition to global administrator. This issue of changes was discussed, and Mr. Lewis remarked that the Committee needed the ability to make changes up to the billing process by the JPC office staff. Mr. White demonstrated the process of initiating, submitting, and approving a JPA. Mr. White stated that the program had time frames when the initiating party would be reminded of the approaching time limit and would be given options of action. The ability to delete a JPA was questioned. Ms. Prescott stated the need to delete a JPA number from the record, and not just the ability to cancel a JPA. The members reviewed and discussed the issues extensively. Those issues not corrected would be addressed in the next phase. The issue of having one single point of contact from each utility was discussed. The idea is that the single point of contact would retrieve the e-mail message and forward it to the correct party within their respective organization.

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This would eliminate unnecessary information being forwarded to the member representative. The member representative would notify the Committee as to which member in their organization would be the appointed single point of contact. It would become the responsibility of the appointed party to ensure the information reaches the correct person within their organization. However, during the trial period, the member representative will be the user and the point of contact.

DBNT distributed an issue list dated August 29, 2000. Mr. Lewis stated that what is required by the members, in reference to the recent issue list, is to review and discuss it as a group. The members discussed the printing problem. Mr. Koch stated that the software required allowing the program to print a JPA to reflect a true form is Crystal Reports.

Mr. Lewis thanked Mr. Koch and Mr. White for their information. He then addressed the Committee in reference to further expenditures for the coming year's budget, and perhaps placing a cap for future phases. Currently, the computer budget for the year 2000 is nearly exhausted. Mr. Lewis

stated the issue of setting a dollar amount for the 2001 budget would be contingent on how far the Committee would decide to take the OPCaTs program in future years. Ms. Dell remarked that taking all the monies that have been spent on the program, the Committee still does not have a functioning product, and that the first step of a JPA process is still not workable. Mr. Lewis stated that whether it is complete or not, the members must begin using what the Committee has in order to identify what more is really required to make the program work. The members will be invited and notified via e-mail if they would like to participate in the trial/test basis of the system.

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