Group 5 Discussion Notes

Attendees:

Rick Crouse – Black Thunder

Nate Hillerud – Coteau Freedom Mine

Matt Jones - North American Coal

Chris Dschaak - Covote Creek Mine

Gary Sorenson – Drive and Controls Services

Chris Shihaden - TPC Wire and Cable

Travis Hurm - Cloud Peak Mine

Safety Items:

Rick Crouse – SABER safety program implemented at Black Thunder.

Nate Hillerud – Increased motor platform size on 2570 draglines.

Matt Jones – 8750 PCR. Installed glass doors, painted, and installed LEDs.

Chris Dschaak - Improved guarding on dragline.

New Innovations and Technology:

Gary Sorenson – 7400 upgrade. Static motor field. Sync motor field control. Took from 2 minute cycle to less than a minute.

Nate Hillerud – Converted old 23kV OCBs to new magnetically held VCBs. No battery backup or cap trip device required.

Travis Hurm – Testing of VCBs

Problems and Solutions:

Chris Dschaak – Weld cable 2/0 solution.

Nate Hillerud – Remote resets for draglines.

Gary Sorenson – Historian system for investigations on draglines.

Travis Hurm – Operator heard popping sound, was front house panel, but found with DVR.

Future Meeting Topics:

Nate Hillerud – Relay calibration/coordination

Travis Hurm – Arc Flash mitigation

Future Locations:

Phoenix

Rapid CIty