Proposed Manual 34 Revisions for Forums

1. Add a definition for Forums to Manual 34, Section 2: Definitions

Forum – Stakeholder body voted by a majority vote of a Standing Committee or Senior Standing Committee to address specific topics and scope as outlined in its endorsed Issue Charge or Charter. Forums are non-decisional stakeholder groups as defined in Section 5.5 of this Manual.

2. Add Forums to Manual 34, Section 5: Structure of the Stakeholder Process

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5.5 Forums

Forums may be established by a Standing Committee or Senior Standing Committee to provide a stakeholder group for discussion and information sharing related to specific topics as outlined within the scope of a defined Issue Charge or Charter. They are standing groups that meet regularly for on-going discussions and provide periodic informational reporting to other committees and groups as appropriate. Forums are non-voting stakeholder groups but can develop a consensus recommendation to introduce for consideration at a Standing Committee aligned with its technical content.

The Stakeholder Process Forum is specifically defined within Manual 34, Section 11.17 Consensus Based Issue Resolution Process (CBIR) Implementation Forum.

5.56 Stakeholder Group Structure Diagram

A current diagram of the Stakeholder Group structure is available at the following link: http://www.pjm.com/committees-and-groups/committees/~/media/committees-groups/committeestructure-diagram.ashx.