

RATINGS Team

Minutes for Conference Call April 27, 2006

Attendees:

ABRFC – Janet McCormick, Jeff McMurphy, and Lee Crowley
CBRFC – Brenda Alcorn
LMRFC – Dave Reed, Ethan Jolly, and Amanda Roberts
NCRFC – Dan Prokorny and Mike Deweese
NERFC – Rob Shedd
OHRFC – Jim Noel
SERFC – Mark Fuch
WFO STL – Scott Dummer
Eastern Region – George McKillop

1. Update of Action items from 3/1

Action 3/1 - Review RUHT for possible enhancements (Reed) – There will be some changes in the message handling in OB6 and we will review the capabilities after OB6 has been installed at most of the offices.

Action 3/1 - Provide team latest draft of project plan (Reed) – Provided with the minutes from the previous call.

Action 3/1 - Provide OHD/RDM information to support webpage of tram activities (Reed) – Webpage established. Information is available at

http://www.weather.gov/oh/rfcdev/projects/rfcRating_status.htm

2. Development Update –

2a. Retrieval of Ratings (Pokorny) – The alpha version of program was delivered to LMRFC last week and they have installed it. LMRFC made their first run to test the software yesterday and all worked well.

The alpha version met all of the requirements except notification service when a rating curve changes and some minor configuration issues must be worked out. Dan expects to have a full version ready for testing next week. There are 3 or 4 offices that have agreed to test the procedures and Dan will work with them one at a time to address and correct any issues.

2b. Graphical User Interface to process ratings (Pokorny) – Some work has been completed on the architecture and coding will start in late June or early July after NCRFC installs OB6.

2c. Post ratings from GUI to NWSRFS (Alcorn) – To get ratings into NWSRFS, CBRFC prepares the FCINIT input cards for defining a rating. She will coordinate with Dan on these procedures when he starts coding the GUI.

2d. Utilities (Roberts and Jolly) – LMRFC plans on meeting next week to discuss the utilities and plan for development.

3. Project Plan (Reed) – An updated draft of the project plan was provided to the team. They are to provide comments by the end of May.

Action 4/27/06 – Comments on updated project plan due 5/31/06 (team)

4. LMRFC testing of rating retrieval (Roberts/Jolly) – Yesterday, LMRFC ran the procedures and they worked well. They will continue testing.

5. Other Topics – There was discussion about the HOSIP process and where the work to change WHFS to process ratings in a manner similar to how they are processed in NWSRFS. George McKillop and Dave Reed will provide the team a status at the next call.

Action 4/27/06 – Provide status of HOSIP/OSIP process to change ratings in WHFS (Reed and McKillop)

6. Next Call – July.