At its July 26, 2010 meeting, the subcommittee heard a presentation by telecommunications industry representatives – Deborah Bierbaum (AT&T) and Steve Kranz (Sutherland), on the background reasons for the current project. The Subcommittee then turned its attention to the draft proposal submitted by the working group on July 15, 2010. A revised draft of the proposal was also provided to the subcommittee during the meeting. Subcommittee members expressed a need for more time to review the revised draft before discussion and so put that discussion on hold until December.

One subcommittee member expressed concern over the proposal’s definitions, finding certain of them unsuited for a proposal dealing with centralized administration. In particular, the definitions of “telecommunications” and “internet access” may be contrary to the definitions used in current federal law. Concerns were also raised whether the definitions, including those for “ancillary services”, “communications services”, “end user”, “purchaser”, “seller” and “telecommunication services,” should be included in the model at all.

In light of the concerns expressed, the drafting group deleted these definitions, and now presents the revised proposal for the subcommittee’s consideration.