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This edition includes the following significant technical changes with respect to the previous edition:

- a) New Clause 4 that defines the versioning of CIMXML format described in this document.
- b) Subclause 5.1, the statement on work flow support is removed.
- c) Subclause 5.2, Statement about mandatory header added. Rules how to use the header added. The discussion on management of multiple CIMXML documents and archives is removed.

- d) Subclause 5.3, FullModelDocumentElement removed, minor version added to profile URI and the meaning of the header is elaborated in Table 2.
- e) Subclause 6.2 the description of rdf:ID and rdf:about has been updated.
- f) Subclause 6.3 introduce the new urn:uuid form and discuss the backwards compatibility.
- g) New Subclause 6.4 added on support of older UUID formats.
- h) New Subclause 6.5 discussing object types added.
- i) Subclause 7.2.3.3, Position of header described and duplicate rows removed.
- j) Document identification and references between documents updated in Table 2 and Subclauses 7.2.3.4 and 7.2.4.6.
- k) Subclause 7.2.3.7, A compound element can never be a root element.
- l) Subclause 7.2.3.9, description of compound containment added.
- m) Subclauses 7.2.3.4 and 7.2.4.7.3, More clarification of cascading delete.

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INTRODUCTION

This part of IEC 61970 is part of the series of standards that define an Application Program Interface (API) for an Energy Management System (EMS).

IEC 61970-301 specifies a Common Information Model (CIM): a logical view of the physical aspects of an electric utility operations. The CIM is described using the Unified Modelling Language (UML), a language used to specify, visualize, and document systems in an object-oriented manner. UML is an analysis and design language; it is not a programming language. In order for software programs to use the CIM, it must be transformed into a schema form that supports a programmable interface.

IEC 61970-501 describes the translation of the CIM in UML form into a machine readable format as expressed in the Extensible Markup Language (XML) representation of that schema using the Resource Description Framework (RDF) Schema specification language.

This part of IEC 61970 specifies how the CIM RDF schema specified in IEC 61970-501 is used to exchange power system models using XML (referred to as CIMXML) defined in the 61970-45x series of profile standards, such as the CIM Transmission Network Model Exchange Profile described in IEC 61970-452.

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1 Scope

This part of IEC 61970 specifies the format and rules for exchanging modelling information based upon the CIM. It uses the CIM RDF Schema presented in IEC 61970-501 as the meta-model framework for constructing XML documents of power system modelling information. The style of these documents is called CIMXML format.

Model exchange by file transfer serves many useful purposes. Profile documents such as IEC 61970-452 and other profiles in the 61970-45x series of standards explain the requirements and use cases that set the context for this work. Though the format can be used for general CIM-based information exchange, specific profiles (or subsets) of the CIM are identified in order to address particular exchange requirements. The initial requirement driving the solidification of this specification is the exchange of transmission network modelling information for power system security coordination.

This part of IEC 61970 supports a mechanism for software from independent suppliers to produce and consume CIM described modelling information based on a common format. The proposed solution:

- is both machine readable and human readable, although primarily intended for programmatic access,
- can be accessed using any tool that supports the Document Object Model (DOM) and other standard XML application program interfaces,
- is self-describing,
- takes advantage of current World Wide Web Consortium (W3C) recommendations.

2 Normative reference

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IEC 61970-501:2006, *Energy management system application program interface (EMS-API) – Part 501: Common Information Model Resource Description Framework (CIM RDF) schema*

W3C, *RDF/XML Syntax Specification*

W3C, *XSL Transformations (XSLT)*

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