Interpretation Request #1

**Topic:** Determining the minimum instantaneous overcurrent tripping value

**Relevant Clause:** Subclause 7A.6.5, Instantaneous Overcurrent Trip Test

In the following equation for minimum final adjustment setting, found in 7A.6.5 of IEEE 1015-1997, should the expression on the second line represent the calculations in the equation on the first line? If so, there seems to be an inconsistency in the expression. How should we interpret the necessary calculation?

\[
\text{MIN} = \text{MOC} - (\text{MOC} \times \text{MINUS TOL})
\]

\[
\text{MIN} = _____ + ( _____ \times _______ ) = _______A
\]

**Interpretation Response #1**

The text in the second line was in fact intended to be a representation of the calculation in the prior equation. As such, it seems that both lines should read

\[
\text{MIN} = \text{MOC} - (\text{MOC} \times \text{MINUS TOL})
\]

\[
\text{MIN} = _____ - ( _____ \times _______ ) = _______A
\]

This is providing the low end tolerance for the instantaneous trip test. The equations above these are providing the high end tolerance for the instantaneous trip test. By per-
forming the 2 calculations you now have the range at where the circuit breaker should function.

This information will be passed on to the IEEE Working Group responsible for this standard for consideration during any revision or amendment to the standard.