Report from the DH Review Committee

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DH Review Process

- Committee given 2 charges
 - 1 Status of the DH system
 - Current scope & progress to completion
 - Operations aspects
 - Report by 8 October
 - 2 Evolution of DH requirements
 - What are they now?
 - Should DH design be modified?
- Had first meeting on 24 Sep
 - Tackled first charge and provided spokespersons with report



DH System

DH System exists but...

- Has had problems with tape
- Has had reliability problems
- Missing key functionality



Recommendations (1-3)

- 1 Impressed with progress to date
 - Significant functionality
 - Strong DH development team
 - Challenging conditions
- 2 DH seriously short of personnel
 - CDF must find additional resources from collaboration and CD
 - Must be done immediately
- 3 Design should meet 2002 goals
 - However, would require major compromises and work-arounds
 - Priority given to augment and make more robust existing system



Recommendations (4-5)

4 Milestones & schedule unclear

- Based on collaboration priorities
 - settle near-term model for data access
 - Identify necessary DH performance
 - Write schedule and milestones
- Requested this for 21 October

5 Development schedule too long

- Estimated to be 4-6 months
- Separate operations from development
- Create operations group
 - Satisfy ongoing detector needs
 - Satisfy physics groups' needs



Recommendations (6-8)

- 6 Assemble "test stand"
 - Hardware exists, use it for testing
- 7 DH scope too large
 - Break into smaller sub-projects
 - Data export system
 - Support of LSF batch in DH system
 - Luminosity calculations
 - Provide vehicle for bringing in additional resources
- 8 Review current design
 - Not convinced that tape-disk balance correct
 - Use of broadband networks?



Next Steps

- Offline management responding
 - Have had to deal with organizational issues
 - Have to develop a set of priorities, schedule and milestones
- Next meeting not yet scheduled
 - Probably schedule in next week
 - Likely to be in mid to late November
- Coordinate with CAF review findings

