

Standards Announcement

Project 2009-19 Interpretation of BAL-002-0 NWPP Reserve Sharing Group

Recirculation Ballot Window Now Open: September 28 – October 8, 2012

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A recirculation ballot for the Interpretation of BAL-002-0 - Disturbance Control Performance Requirements R4 and R5 for NWPP Reserve Sharing Group is open through **8 p.m. Eastern on Monday, October 8, 2012.**

Instructions

Members of the ballot pool associated with this project may log in and submit their vote for the interpretation by clicking [here](#).

Next Steps

The Interpretation of BAL-002-0 will be presented to the Board of Trustees for adoption in November 2012 and then filed with the appropriate regulatory authorities.

Background

Northwest Power Pool Reserve Sharing Group (NWPP) submitted a request for interpretation asking for clarification in three specific areas of BAL-002-0 Disturbance Control Performance. The specific areas NWPP is requesting clarification on are:

- 1) although a Disturbance that exceeds the most severe single Contingency must be reported by the Balancing Authority or Reserve Sharing Group (as applicable), is the Disturbance excluded from compliance evaluation for the applicable Balancing Authority or Reserve Sharing Group; and
- 2) with respect to either simultaneous Contingencies or non-simultaneous multiple Contingencies affecting a Reserve Sharing Group, the exclusion from compliance evaluation for Disturbances exceeding the most severe single Contingency applies both when:

(a) all Contingencies occur within a single Balancing Authority member of the Reserve Sharing Group, and

(b) different Balancing Authorities within the Reserve Sharing Group experience separate Contingencies that occur simultaneously, or non-simultaneously but before the end of the Disturbance Recovery Period following the first Reportable Disturbance; and

3) the meaning of the phrase “excluded from compliance evaluation” as used in Section 1.4 (“Additional Compliance Information”) of Part D of BAL-002-0 and for purposes of the preceding statements is that, with respect to Disturbances that exceed the most severe single Contingency for a Balancing Authority or Reserve Sharing Group (as applicable), a violation of BAL-002-0 does not occur even if ACE is not recovered within the Disturbance Recovery Period (15 minutes unless adjusted pursuant to BAL-002-0, R4.2).

Additional information is available on the [project page](#).

Standards Development Process

The [Standards Processes Manual](#) contains all the procedures governing the standards development process. The success of the NERC standards development process depends on stakeholder participation. We extend our thanks to all those who participate.

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