



NORTH AMERICAN ELECTRIC RELIABILITY COUNCIL

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TO: REGISTERED BALLOT BODY

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Announcement: Comment Periods and Drafting Team Self-nominations Open April 21

The Standards Authorization Committee (SAC) announces the following standards actions:

Missing Measures and Compliance Elements Standards Posted for 30-day Comment Period (April 21–May 21)

The [Missing Measures and Compliance Elements](#) Standard Drafting Team has completed adding measures and compliance elements to 20 Version 0 standards that were approved without these elements. The drafting team will make conforming changes based on stakeholder comments and then post the second drafts of these standards for a 45-day comment period. Please use this [comment form](#) (Excel spreadsheet) to provide comments on this set of standards.

Violation Risk Factors Survey Posted for 45-day Comment Period (April 21–June 4)

The [Violation Risk Factors](#) SAR Drafting Team developed a survey to collect stakeholder feedback on proposed ratings of the reliability-related risk (risk factors) of violating each requirement in each approved standard. Please note that we're using Excel because of the large amount of data requested. These reliability-related risks are proposed for use when determining a penalty or sanction for a violation of that requirement. Please use this [comment form](#) to provide feedback on the proposed matrix of violation risk factors.

Nominations for Drafting Teams Open (April 21–May 3)

The SAC is soliciting drafting team members to serve on the [Violation Risk Factors](#) Standard Drafting Team. The drafting team will use stakeholder feedback to create the initial violation risk assigned to each NERC standard requirement. These violation risk factors would be used for the initial basis for determining enforcement action for future violations. If you are interested in volunteering for this drafting team, please submit this [nomination form](#).

The SAC is soliciting drafting team members to serve on the [Relay Loadability](#) Standard Drafting Team. The formation of this drafting team is contingent upon the SAC authorizing the Relay Loadability SAR to move forward to standard drafting. The Relay Loadability standard will establish minimum loadability criteria for relays to minimize the chance of unnecessary line trips during a major system disturbance. If you are interested in volunteering for this drafting team, please submit this [nomination form](#).

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Notice to Forward Standards to NERC Board of Trustees

This announcement also serves as 30-days notice from the SAC to the registered ballot body of the committee's intention to forward EOP-004 Disturbance Reporting and IRO-006 (TLR Levels 3b and 4) Reliability Coordination – Transmission Loading Relief standards — if they are approved by their respective ballot pools — to the NERC Board of Trustees for approval.

Standards Development Process

The NERC posting and balloting procedures are described in the [Reliability Standards Process Manual](#), which 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.

Please send questions to Maureen Long at maureen.long@nerc.net, or call 813-468-5998.

Sincerely,

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