



November 2, 2006

TO: REGISTERED BALLOT BODY

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Announcement: Pre-ballot Windows and Ballot Pools Open November 2, 2006 for Version 0 Violation Risk Factors

The Standards Committee (SC) announces the following standards actions:

Pre-ballot Windows and Ballot Pools Open November 2, 2006 for Version 0 Violation Risk Factors

In response to stakeholder comments, the [Violation Risk Factors Matrix](#) that contained all the violation risk factors for Version 0 and Version 1 standards as one set has now been subdivided. First, the drafting team has separated the 'Version 0' violation risk factors from the 'Version 1' violation risk factors. Additionally, each set has been further subdivided so there are nine sets of 'Version 0' violation risk factors and nine sets of Version 1 violation risk factors. The drafting team made no changes to the Version 0 violation risk factors following the initial ballot that took place October 6–16, 2006. (Version 1 violation risk factors have been removed from balloting and have been posted for comments during the November 2–December 1, 2006 period.)

Each of the nine subsets of Version 0 violation risk factors has its own [ballot pool](#) and its own list server as shown below, and all of the subsets have been posted for a 30-day pre-ballot review window, ending December 1, 2006. During the 30-day pre-ballot review windows, members of the ballot pool may communicate with one another by using their 'ballot pool list server.' (For assistance in using a list server, contact Barbara Bogenrief at 609-452-8060.)

Version 0 Violation Risk Factor Ballot Pools (Associated Standards)

Balance and Interchange (BAL-001–BAL-006 & INT-001–INT-004)
Communications and Facilities (COM-001, COM-002 & FAC-001–FAC-005)
Emergency Operations (EOP-00–1-EOP-009 & CIP-001)
Interconnection Reliability Operations (IRO-001–IRO-006)
Modeling (MOD-001–MOD-021)
Personnel (PER-001–PER-004)
Protection and Control (PRC-001–PRC-017)
Transmission Operations and Voltage Control (TOP-001–TOP-008 & VAR-001)
Transmission Planning (TPL-001–TPL-006)

Ballot Pool List Server

bp-V0RF_Bal_Interchange
bp-V0RF_Comm_Facilities
bp-V0RF_Emerg_Ops
bp-V0RF_Int_Reliab_Ops
bp-V0RF_Modeling
bp-V0RF_Personnel
bp-V0RF_Prot_and_Ctrl
bp-V0RF_TOPs_V_Ctrl
bp-V0RF_Trans_Planning

If you are a member of the Registered Ballot Body and had previously joined the Violation Risk Factors ballot pool, you have been pre-registered for each of the above nine Version 0 ballot pools. During the 30-day, pre-ballot review period, any member of the Registered Ballot Body may join any of the above ballot pools. In addition, any member of any one of the above ballot pools may withdraw from any of the above ballot pools during the 30-day pre-ballot review window. Once balloting begins, no changes can be made to any of the above ballot pools.

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Before joining these ballot pools, please make sure that you will be available during the ballot window to cast your ballot. The initial ballot for the Version 0 Violation Risk Factors will be conducted from 8 a.m. (EST) on Monday, December 4 through 8 p.m. (EST) Wednesday, December 13, 2006.

Standards Development Process

The [Reliability Standards Development Procedure](#) 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. If you have any questions, please contact me at 813-468-5998 or maureen.long@nerc.net.

Sincerely,

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