

Standards Announcement:

Comment Period Open: Reliability Standards Development Plan 2010-2012
August 28–September 28, 2009

Reliability Standards Development Plan 2010-2012 Available at:

<http://www.nerc.com/page.php?cid=2|247|290>

Comment Form Available at:

[http://www.nerc.com/files/Standards Input Form Final 2008June30.doc](http://www.nerc.com/files/Standards_Input_Form_Final_2008June30.doc)

NERC is seeking comments on the current draft of the [Reliability Standards Development Plan: 2010-2012](#). Comments relative, but not limited, to the following issues are of particular interest to NERC:

- Perceived gaps in NERC Reliability Standards and recommendations for eliminating the perceived gaps
- Prioritization (as implied by the timing of the projects) of the projects included in the plan and recommendations for adjusting the timing of individual projects
- Potential future projects for addressing changes in or development of new reliability standards

To submit comments about the plan or NERC standards in general, please e-mail a completed copy of the [Reliability Standards Suggestions and Comments](#) form to sarcomm@nerc.net with the words “**Development Plan**” in the subject line. The deadline for this comment period is **September 28, 2009**.

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Schedule:

A Webinar to present the information contained in the posted plan will be held on or about September 17 (watch for a future announcement for the Webinar). Based on the comments received during this comment period, the plan will be revised and presented to the NERC Standards Committee for approval in October and to the NERC Board of Trustees for approval in November. The revised *Reliability Standards Development Plan: 2010-2012* will be filed with applicable regulatory authorities by the end of 2009.

Background:

The overall objective of the plan is to ensure the reliability of the Bulk Electric System through improved reliability standards. Each project listed in the plan will be assigned a drafting team, which will be responsible for performing a thorough review and improvement of the standards associated with the project, including:

- Revising the reliability objective, title, and purpose statement of the standards for clarity
- Revising the applicability section of the standards to add specifications for entities, facilities, and responsibilities and integrate functional model changes
- Improving the wording of requirements and measures in the standards
- Refining the compliance elements of the standards

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.

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