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Standards Announcement

Initial Ballot Results

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Project 2006-04: Backup Facilities

The initial ballot for EOP-008-1 — Loss of Control Center Functionality ended on July 6, 2010.

Ballot Results

Voting statistics are listed below, and the [Ballot Results](#) Web page provides a link to the detailed results:

Quorum: 89.05 %

Approval: 79.45 %

Since at least one negative ballot included a comment, these results are not final. A second (or recirculation) ballot must be conducted. Ballot criteria are listed at the end of the announcement.

Violation Risk Factor (VRF) and Violation Severity Level (VSL) Non-binding Poll Results

For the non-binding poll, 81% of those registered to participate provided an opinion; 79% of those who provided an opinion indicated support for the VRFs and VSLs that were proposed.

Next Steps

As part of the recirculation ballot process, the drafting team must draft and post responses to voter comments.

Project Background

The purpose of the standard is to ensure continued reliable operations of the Bulk Electric System in the event that a control center becomes inoperable. The standard has been modified significantly from the “Version 0” standard to add more specificity to the requirements and to address issues raised by FERC in Order 693. The standard incorporates a number of changes based on input received from the industry during the drafting and comment process.

More information is available on the project page: http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/Backup_Facilities.html

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.

Ballot Criteria

Approval requires both a (1) quorum, which is established by at least 75% of the members of the ballot pool for submitting either an affirmative vote, a negative vote, or an abstention, and (2) A two-thirds majority of the weighted segment votes cast must be affirmative; the number of votes cast is the sum of affirmative and negative votes, excluding abstentions and nonresponses. If there are no negative votes with reasons from the first ballot, the results of the first ballot shall stand. If, however, one or more members submit negative votes with reasons, a second ballot shall be conducted.

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