

Comment Form — 2nd Draft of Standard MOD-001-1 Available Transfer Capability (Project 2006-07)

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Do you agree with the drafting team's decision to structure the standards in this manner? If "No," please explain why in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments: The MOD-001 Standard incorrectly assigns duties to the Transmission Service Provider (TSP). The duties of the TSP, according to the Functional Model, do not include the determination of a method of calculating the ATC. The three methods suggested in MOD-028 through 030 will be determined as detailed in the Functional Model by the reliability Functions; Planning Authority, Transmission Operator, or Reliability Coordinator; depending on the time horizon of the Studies.

2. This standard and accompanying methodology standards (MOD-028, MOD-029, MOD-030) include requirements on establishing the Total Transfer Capability or Total Flowgate Capability that shall be used as input to the process. With the addition of these requirements for establishing TTC/TFC, do you believe that FAC-012 and FAC-013 should be retired? If "No," please describe what changes, if any, should be made to FAC-012 and/or FAC-013 in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments: The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) has requested Standards that determine the requirements to calculate TTC will be handled in the FAC Standards. Order 693 States the following: 1050. We adopt the NOPR proposal and require that TTC be addressed under the Reliability Standard that deals with transfer capability such as FAC-012-1, rather than MOD-001-0. The FAC series of standards contain the Reliability Standards that form the technical and procedural basis for calculating transfer capabilities. FAC-008-1 provides the basis for determining the thermal ratings of facilities while FAC-009-1 provides the basis for communicating those ratings. FAC-010-1 and FAC-011-1 provide the system operating limits methodologies for the planning and operational horizon respectively and FAC-014 provides for the communication of those ratings.

FERC has correctly recognized that FAC-012 and FAC-013, while associated with modeling is highly dependent on the previous FAC Standards as noted by FERC.

3. Do you agree with the functional entities identified in the "Applicability" section of the draft standard? If "No," please explain why in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments: MOD-001 if written correctly will detail has the Transmission Service Provider will: 1) acquire the necessary data to calculate the ATC; 2) the frequency of calculation; 3) the posting of values of the ATC, ATC formula components, and the assumptions use to obtain the

values of the the ATC formula components. ---- The other Applicable Functions will be in supporting Standards for TTC/TFC, CBM, TRM, and ETC.

4. Do you agree with the calculation frequency and schedule in R5.? If "No," please explain and suggest any alternatives you believe to be appropriate in the comments area.

Yes
 No

Comments: The Requirement 5 should set the Maximum amount of time between calculations. The way it is written is that the Requirement sets a Minimum amount of time between calculations. What if an entity updated the Daily before the 24 hours was up; they would be non-compliant. In addition, since hourly covers the next 168 hours, Daily or Weekly calculations will be overlapping each other, one should be omitted. Note TVA's posted method, while they mention Daily and Weekly, they only post Daily for 30 days.

5. Do you agree the information to be included in the "Available Transfer Capability Implementation Document" that will be made publicly available (as required in R3) is appropriate and sufficient? If "No," please explain why in the comments area.

Yes
 No

Comments: Available Transfer Capability Implementation Document (ATCID) is redundant should not be made a requirement of the TSP. The ATC is just the algebraic sum of the four components; TTC, ETC, CBM, and TRM. What ever method is used to calculate the TTC, i.e. Flow Gate, Rated System Path, or Network is determined by the planners; RC or TOP and the assumptions will accompany the TTC/TFC values and be posted. The complete description of the ATC calculation is contained in the assumptions of the other components, CBM, TRM, and ETC, which will be posted on the OASIS or other electronic means.

6. Do you agree the information to be exchanged with requesting entities (as required in R6) is appropriate and sufficient? If "No," please explain why in the comment area.

Yes
 No

Comments: The posting that are listed are for TTC, the SDT needs to address the assumptions for the other components.

7. Should the scope of MOD-001 be expanded to include requirements for the evaluation of Transmission Service Requests? Please explain your answer in the comments area.

Yes
 No

Comments: What is meant by "evaluation of the transmission service request?" If "evaluation of the transmission service request" is prioritizing the transmission service requests base on a predetermined set of rules, the answer is no. Rules to prioritize transmission service requests are based upon negotiated or regulated terms that are a business decision, not reliability.mean by the evaluation of transmission requests? Evaluation of the transmission service request for reliability issues will be made by TOPs or BAs.

8. Are you aware of any conflicts between the proposed standard and any regulatory function, rule/order, tariff, rate schedule, legislative requirement or agreement? If "Yes," please identify the conflict in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments: Requirements within this proposed standard deal with the assumptions that will be required by those functions that determine TTC.

9. Please provide any other comments (that you have not already provided in response to the questions above) that you have on the draft standard MOD-001-1.

Comments: The Standard is written much like a Policy and it cannot be determined who is responsible for the different calculations of the components of the ATC. The Standard does not provide the Compliance Monitor or the TSP who calculates the Hourly, Daily, and Monthly ATCs with the necessary requirements to know what is necessary to be compliant. A copy of a Draft MOD-001 that has been written in a Standard Format that will permit the Compliance Monitor and the Applicable Functions to respond to measurable requirements is attached for the SDT review and comments.

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Yes

No

Comments:

3. Do you agree with the functional entities identified in the "Applicability" section of the draft standard? If "No," please explain why in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments: ATC related standards should be applicable only to entities who have the obligation to provide non-discrimintory transmission service, that is the Transmission Service Providers.

4. Do you agree with the calculation frequency and schedule in R5.? If "No," please explain and suggest any alternatives you believe to be appropriate in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments: The calculation frequency is a business practice and should not be part of NERC standards.

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Yes

No

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Yes

No

Comments:

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Yes

No

Comments: Evaluation of Transmission Service Requests is a tariff and business issue not a reliability issue.

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Yes

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Comments:

A.

The horizons described in R2 are not consistent with FAC-010 and FAC-011, which describe the operating horizon and up to one year. These terms are not capitalized and defined anywhere, so I am not going to say that MOD is incorrect. there is a potential for confusion and iscommunications between the planners and the Transmission Service Providers.

B

The requirement "subject to security and confidentiality requirements" in R6 is in conflict with FERC's Standards of Conduct. The TSPs may not provide transmission information discriminatorily.

C

R6.9 is unclear.

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Yes

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Comments: However, please clarify that "one standard" is MOD-001.

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Yes

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Yes

No

Comments: "Planning Coordinator" is not defined in the NERC Glossary of Terms Used in Reliability Standards. Please clarify what the Planning Coordinator is or replace "Planning Coordinator" with Planning Authority.

4. Do you agree with the calculation frequency and schedule in R5.? If "No," please explain and suggest any alternatives you believe to be appropriate in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments: The minimum calculation requirements should mandate recalculation during regular business hours, as opposed to every day at midnight. We suggest leaving the final determination of the proper time for ATC/AFC calculation updates to NAESB, as this is a business practice issue.

Additionally, R5.5. should be added to address the calculation frequency for annual ATC/AFC values.

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Yes

No

Comments: R3.1. should read "... the results of the ATC/AFC calculations may be validated."
R3.6. should be added to clarify that the ATCID must only include information pertaining to Posted Paths or Flowgates, where "Posted Path" is defined consistent with NAESB R-4005 and Order 889, RM95-9-000, April 24, 1996, P. 58-60.

6. Do you agree the information to be exchanged with requesting entities (as required in R6) is appropriate and sufficient? If "No," please explain why in the comment area.

Yes

No

Comments: Except that R6.8. should read "ATC/AFC recalculation frequency and times."

7. Should the scope of MOD-001 be expanded to include requirements for the evaluation of Transmission Service Requests? Please explain your answer in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments: The evaluation of Transmission Service Requests (TSRs) is outside the scope of FERC's Order 890 directives and there is insufficient time left, prior to the scheduled September 18th posting of these standards for balloting, to draft adequate TSR evaluation standards and provide sufficient industry comment periods.

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Yes

No

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Comments: The ATC MODs (MOD-001-1, MOD-028-1, MOD-029-1, and MOD-030-1) do not clearly distinguish the methodologies and their applications. Please provide narrative descriptions of these methodologies.

The horizons defined in R2.2. and R2.3. need to be reconciled with the Planning and Operating horizons previously defined by NERC.

R5. should be modified to the following:

"R5. Each Transmission Service Provider that calculates ATC for Posted Paths or AFC for Flowgates shall, at a minimum, recalculate those ATC/AFCs at the following frequency:

R5.1. For hourly ATC/AFC...

R5.2. For daily ATC/AFC...

R5.3. For weekly ATC/AFC...

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R5.5. For yearly ATC/AFC..."

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Comments: Neither the standard nor the whitepaper provide enough background information to explain why the structure is necessary. Without the background information it is difficult to determine why this proposed structure is optimal.

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- Yes
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Comments:

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- Yes
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4. Do you agree with the calculation frequency and schedule in R5.? If "No," please explain and suggest any alternatives you believe to be appropriate in the comments area.

- Yes
 No

Comments: Specifically, R5.4: a minimum of "once a month" is not enough to facilitate commercial activities. Frequency should be "once a day" with a waiver if the inputs to the model have not changed "significantly" from the previous day. Also, what is the minimum frequency for yearly service?

5. Do you agree the information to be included in the "Available Transfer Capability Implementation Document" that will be made publicly available (as required in R3) is appropriate and sufficient? If "No," please explain why in the comments area.

- Yes

No

Comments: Need to include more details as to how transmission service request are modeled.

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Yes

No

Comments: Need to include Transmission Customers as an entity.

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Yes

No

Comments:

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Yes

No

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In R4 please add Transmission Customers to the notification list.

In R6 please add Transmission Customers to the list that the transmission service provider will make the information available.

Also, please better define "subject to security and confidentiality requirements."

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Yes

No

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Yes

No

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Yes

No

Comments:

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Yes

No

Comments: R5 should be modified to include yearly ATC.

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Yes

No

Comments: Need to add another requirement that describes the manner in which the Transmission Service Provider will account for allocation of firm transmission capacity (i.e. reciprocal flowgate allocation).

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Yes

No

Comments: Should specify that the information to be made available is information used in calculation of ATC. Also, need to include flowgate allocation data, identifying any portion of flowgate(s) that have been allocated for firm transmission.

7. Should the scope of MOD-001 be expanded to include requirements for the evaluation of Transmission Service Requests? Please explain your answer in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments: NAESB should be responsible for business practice standards for evaluation of Transmission Service Requests. The only impact the evaluation of TSRs have on ATC calculations is addressed in MOD-028-1, MOD-029-1 and MOD-030-1.

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Yes

No

Comments: Entergy supports this approach.

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Yes

No

Comments: Yes, FAC-012 and FAC-013 can be retired after requirements for TTC/TFC methodologies are included in these standards.

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Yes

No

Comments:

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Yes

No

Comments: Calculation frequency should be linked with the change in elements of ATC that impact ATC. For example Monthly ATC should not be only calculated once a month, rather it should be recalculated when any reservation impacting the Monthly ATC is confirmed, this could be a Daily or Weekly reservation. If a reservation that impacts the Monthly reservation is confirmed on second day of the month, and Monthly ATCs are not recalculated till first day of the next month, the Monthly ATC values for the impacted period will remain inaccurate for the remaining entire month. Recalculation frequency should be included in NAESB business Practice Standard rather than in reliability standard.

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Yes

No

Comments: R 3.5 requires to identify only TSPs from which data is received. In practice, TSP may receive data from entities other than TSP's such as PSEs, Generator Operators etc. for calculating transfer capability. Entergy suggests that TSP should identify all suppliers of data in ATCID for calculation of ATCs and not only other TSPs..

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Yes

No

Comments: It is not clear how other parties can demonstrate reliability need. In addition, in R6.9, it is not clear what is expected under Transmission Reservation impact modeling identification. If response factors are expected, it should be stated as such, or the term impact modeling identification be defined.

7. Should the scope of MOD-001 be expanded to include requirements for the evaluation of Transmission Service Requests? Please explain your answer in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments: Requirements of evaluation of Transmission Service Requests is not a reliability issue and it does not have to be included in NERC Reliability Standards. Once Transmission Service Request is confirmed, regardless of which evaluation process is used, it should be included in ETC as appropriate. If needed, Transmission Service Request evaluation process should be addressed by NAESB Business Practice Standards.

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Yes

No

Comments:

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Comments: Notification as required in R4 is not necessary if the ATCID is to be posted on a public site.

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Yes

No

Comments: ERCOT is a separate Interconnection and Region connected to the Eastern Interconnection through DC ties. Texas Senate Bill 7 effective on 9/1/99 amended the Texas utilities code to provide for the restructuring of the electric utility industry within the ERCOT region. The act deregulated the electricity generation market to allow for competition in the retail sale of electricity. As of July 2001 the ERCOT interconnection began operation as a single Balancing Authority and implemented a market in accordance with the Texas Public Utility commission ruling. Since the implementation of this Act, all of ERCOT has been a single Balancing Authority Area Interconnection and there has been no reservation of transmission capacity in ERCOT.

Available Transfer Capability is defined as the measure of the transfer capability remaining in the physical transmission network for further commercial activity over and above already committed uses. It is defined as Total Transfer Capability less existing transmission commitments (including retail customer service), less a Capacity Benefit Margin, less a Transmission Reliability Margin. The ERCOT Interconnection has already moved "beyond" ATC and into a Market design which resulted in the disappearance of an explicit transmission service product. In addition the DC Tie transfer capability is planned and coordinated by a TSP that is a member of both Regions and therefore both ERCOT and SPP are notified when the DC Tie capability is reduced.

Under ERCOT market rules, Transmission Service allows all eligible transmission service customers to deliver energy from resources to serve load obligations, using the transmission facilities of all of the Transmission Service Providers in ERCOT. Currently ERCOT employs a zonal congestion management scheme that is flow-based, whereby the ERCOT transmission grid, including attached generation resources and load, are divided into a predetermined number of congestion zones. This congestion management scheme applies zonal shift factors, determined by ERCOT, to predict potential congestion under the known topology of the ERCOT System. This scheme is used in the Day Ahead and Adjustment Periods to evaluate potential congestion. During the operating period ERCOT uses zonal shift factors to determine zonal Redispatch deployments needed to maintain flows within zonal limits. The local congestion management scheme relies on a more detailed Operational Model to determine how each particular Resource or Load impacts the transmission system. This model uses the current known topology of the transmission system. Unit specific Redispatch instructions are then issued to manage local congestion.

In the future ERCOT will be transitioning from a Zonal Market to a full LMP market. This system is designed to manage congestion in the Day Ahead and Real-Time on a Resource specific

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In the current and future ERCOT market design the method of calculating ATC, TTC and the use of CBM and TRM are not applicable to the ERCOT Region. ERCOT does not have a synchronous connection with any other Balancing Authority Area, and does not use the transmission reservation and scheduling practices addressed by these standards. ERCOT requests the drafting team consider revising the wording so that Responsible Entities required to conform to the standards are those that are synchronously connected with other Balancing Authority Areas and/or offer transmission reservations and schedules within the Interconnection. We also recommend that the standard allow for ERCOT exception or exemption from calculation and posting of ATC, TTC, CBM, and TRM without the need for a Regional variance.

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No

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Yes

No

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Yes

No

Comments:

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Yes

No

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Yes

No

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- Yes
 No

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- Yes
 No

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- Yes
 No

Comments:

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Yes

No

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Yes

No

Comments:

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Yes

No

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(2) Regarding the frequency of the updates; it should be clear that if no inputs have changed that no recalculations are required. For example, for those entities that update ATC automatically based on receipt of service requests or a change in TTC, it would be burdensome to 'recalculate' on this stated frequency with no added value.

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Yes

No

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Yes

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Comments:

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Yes

No

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Yes

No

Comments: The current wording of Requirement 5 contains language that dictates precisely when ATC calculations must occur. There are areas with existing market rules and corresponding tariffs that dictate when publications of data occur (for example - after the clearing of a Day Ahead Market). NERC standards do not have the authority to require wholesale changes to existing market structures. Therefore, the wording of the timing of the required ATC calculations must be more general.

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Comments: For those entities that do not provide physical transmission service, some of the requirements in these standards do not apply. With the current arrangement of these proposed standards, the ATCID for these entities would clearly document what requirements of the standards are or are not applicable.

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Yes

No

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Yes

No

Comments: We generally agree.

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Yes

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Yes

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No

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Yes

No

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Yes

No

Comments: The calculation frequency is not consistent across all methodologies. The frequency should allow for time to validate the values calculated. It may not be consistent with currently filed FERC Operating Agreements, which is not a minimum requirement for the whole industry.

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Yes

No

Comments: It'd be best to keep this standard to calculating ATC only. Evaluation of transmission service request belongs to another standard, or even a NAESB business practice.

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Yes

No

Comments: Not aware of any conflicts but it should be pointed out that some entities do not provide physical transmission services. Hence, these standards or some of the requirements in these standards may not apply.

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9. Please provide any other comments (that you have not already provided in response to the questions above) that you have on the draft standard MOD-001-1.

Comments: Please see our high level comments to the SAR which we feel need to be addressed first before providing any comments specific to this standard.

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Yes

No

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Yes

No

Comments: While the RC and the PC do not calculate ATC, they are responsible for calculating TTC which is a direct input to the ATC calculation. Since the selection of the TTC methodology will determine which ATC standard is utilized by the TSP, it is appropriate for the RC and the PC to be applicable entities in this standard. While it is not specifically stated in R1 and R2 that the RC and PC are involved solely because of their involvement in TTC, the MOD-028, MOD-029 and MOD-030 clearly delineate the responsibility for those entities.

4. Do you agree with the calculation frequency and schedule in R5.? If "No," please explain and suggest any alternatives you believe to be appropriate in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments: (1) Language needs to be clear that TSPs only have to calculate ATC for durations of service that they offer.

(2) Regarding the frequency of the updates; it should be clear that if no inputs have changed that no recalculations are required. For example, for those entities that update ATC automatically based on receipt of service requests or a change in TTC, it would be burdensome to 'recalculate' on this stated frequency with no added value.

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5. Do you agree the information to be included in the "Available Transfer Capability Implementation Document" that will be made publicly available (as required in R3) is appropriate and sufficient? If "No," please explain why in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments:

6. Do you agree the information to be exchanged with requesting entities (as required in R6) is appropriate and sufficient? If "No," please explain why in the comment area.

Yes

No

Comments:

7. Should the scope of MOD-001 be expanded to include requirements for the evaluation of Transmission Service Requests? Please explain your answer in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments: The evaluation of Transmission Service Requests is a Business Practice and should continue to be addressed under NAESB

8. Are you aware of any conflicts between the proposed standard and any regulatory function, rule/order, tariff, rate schedule, legislative requirement or agreement? If "Yes," please identify the conflict in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments: The current wording of Requirement 5 contains language that dictates precisely when ATC calculations must occur. There are areas with existing market rules and corresponding tariffs that dictate when publications of data occur (for example - after the clearing of a Day Ahead Market). NERC standards do not have the authority to require wholesale changes to existing market structures. Therefore, the wording of the timing of the required ATC calculations must be more general.

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Do you agree with the drafting team's decision to structure the standards in this manner? If "No," please explain why in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments: This is a qualified yes. The three methodologies will make it easier for the various regions in the country to comply with the standards. A single standard would be best, but it would come at a cost for entities to adapt to the single methodology if they are in an area that would have to implement changes to comply with the chosen methodology. The costs would likely not be prohibitive, however, and FERC could mandate a single methodology if they so chose to. We would prefer MOD-030 as a single standard. As the three methodologies now exist, MOD-030 appears to provide the greatest flexibility and accuracy.

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Yes

No

Comments: We never thought FAC-012 or -013 should apply to ATC calculations. They are a system "test" and not a rigorous calculation of TTC for sale of transmission service.

3. Do you agree with the functional entities identified in the "Applicability" section of the draft standard? If "No," please explain why in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments: We understand that certain areas of the country may want Reliability Coordinators to be responsible entities, perhaps because they wear both the RC and TSP hat, but this is not a reason to include them. In the MISO footprint, it makes no sense to include the RC. However, we do think that a list of applicable entities should include the "Transmission Planner," as has been indicated in MOD-004 and MOD-008. This is more appropriate than the RC. As written, several entities are excluded from the applicability statement.

4. Do you agree with the calculation frequency and schedule in R5.? If "No," please explain and suggest any alternatives you believe to be appropriate in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments:

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Yes

No

Comments: The more transparency there is in the process (except for commercially sensitive data), the better the process will be.

6. Do you agree the information to be exchanged with requesting entities (as required in R6) is appropriate and sufficient? If "No," please explain why in the comment area.

Yes

No

Comments: We agree that what is asked for is appropriate, but it may not be sufficient. For example, the ratings provided should include "any value used to limit AFC/ATC." Ratings can have time, temperature, and seasonal adjustments. As written, compliance might mean just a single ratings set. This could be handled in the compliance and measures section but additional thought should be given to this section.

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Yes

No

Comments: This could be in measures and compliance and not necessarily in the requirements.

8. Are you aware of any conflicts between the proposed standard and any regulatory function, rule/order, tariff, rate schedule, legislative requirement or agreement? If "Yes," please identify the conflict in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments: Certain areas of the country have tariffs (such as New England) that were approved by FERC and do not require the sale of transmission service. These areas could be saved a lot of grief by excluding them from these standards. However, they should be required to provide any data to their neighbors (such as their impacts on neighbor system flows) that might impact ATC calculations.

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Comments: Given that three methods are acceptable for calculating AFC/ATC, MOD-001 is a necessary prelude to any methodology chosen.

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Yes

No

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Yes

No

Comments:

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Yes

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Yes

No

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Yes

No

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Comments:

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Yes

No

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Yes

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Yes

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Comments: a procedure should be established to reconcile differences across seams

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Yes

No

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Yes

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Second, where the term Planning Coordinator is used, WECC queries whether or not the more accurate entity would be the Transmission Planner.

Third, this Standard should not apply to the Reliability Coordinator. The RC should be removed from R1 and R2. (See comments appended.)

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Yes

No

Comments:

1)

The minimum calculation requirements should require recalculation during regular business hours, as opposed to every day at midnight.

2)

Currently, most of WECC utilizes OATI. If the OATI system is required to recalculate the entire West at a single moment, that system may not be capable of doing the calculations. Since OATI currently recalculates continuously as variables change, can the NERC Team draft language to allow for a recalculation or reposting within an hour as opposed to all entities doing so at a specified moment?

3)

The WECC Team in general has the following question of interpretation for the NERC Team. To the extent the WECC Team does not understand "how" to comply with the requirements, it would seem the requirements are either overly vague or unenforceable as written. Please answer the appended question and rewrite for clarity.

The question revolves around the calculation frequency and required recalculation (forecasts?) of ATC going forward:

A. Does this recalculation requirement in any way mandate that transmission providers should adjust (hourly, daily, etc) ATC in response to network load variations?

Taken as currently written, this standard could be interpreted to require TPs to (1) forecast load variations, by path, by day (or hour), (2) reduce network (and possibly PTP) load reservations, "freeing up" future daily (or hourly if offered) ATC and (3) sell firm capacity going forward in response to a load forecast on a path by path basis. This is not a reasonable expectation for TPs to be 100% accurate in load forecasts, and this standard, if making the requirement outlined in the above interpretation, should be clarified to require TPs to update ATC only in response to future capacity sold, and not be required to reduce network reservations as a response to load forecasts to allow future short term firm sales on a daily (or hourly if offered) basis.

In the interpretation outlined above, if the transmission provider (or LSE) is incorrect in load forecasts, and the TP has sold short term firm in these "freed up" ATC periods, it would restrict network (and PTP) customers from scheduling up to their "before the hour" rights without curtailment.

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Yes

No

Comments: The WECC Team concurs that the stated content of the ATCID is appropriate. However, the term "ATCID" is used as a defined term without a definition. It is also used in multiple other standards. It should either be a defined term in the NERC Glossary or, at minimum, must be cross referenced from all other standards back to this standard.

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Yes

No

Comments: See 9.D. below.

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Yes

No

Comments: Evaluation of Transmission Service Requests is outside the scope of the Order(s) and more appropriately falls into the purview of NAESB as a Business Practice.

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The WECC Team suggests that the terms utilized in the draft are at best unclear and at worst not consistent with industry usage. It is suggested these "Horizons" be defined by NAESB as part of the ATC process and that their definitions be established in a manner that best reflects accurate industry usage.

B. R1. requires TSPs, PCs and RC to "agree upon and implement" a methodology. The standard suggests no remedy if the three parties cannot "agree." The Team suggests the TSP should be the sole entity to select the methodology. The TSP should have a condition precedent to consult with the PC and RC before selection and a condition subsequent to inform the PC and RC of the selection, seek counsel from those entities on how the methodology should be implemented and ultimately inform the PC and RC as to how that selected methodology will be implemented.

C. R5. Should read:

"Each Transmission Service Provider that calculates ATC for a Posted Path shall, at minimum..."

This requires the addition of the below FERC approved term as excerpted from 18 CFR 37.6 and as utilized in NAESB R0-4005 in compliance with Order 889. (References below):

Posted Path

Posted Path means: 1) Any Balancing Authority to Balancing Authority interconnection; 2) any path for which service is denied, curtailed or interrupted for more than 24 hours in the past 12 months; 3) and any path for which a customer requests to have ATC or TTC posted. For purposes of this definition, an hour includes any part of an hour during which service was denied,

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curtailed or interrupted. (Plagiarized from NAESBE R-4005 and Order 889, RM95-9-000, April 24, 1996, P. 58-60. See also: 18 CFR 37.6; http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/12feb20041500/edocket.access.gpo.gov/cfr_2004/aprqrtr/pdf/18cfr37.5.pdf)

D. R6.

There is a concern that where two entities have not selected the same methodology, and where one requests data from the other, the requesting entity must still provide the requested data even if that data is not utilized in the methodology of the providing entity. In other words, an entity cannot be allowed to refuse data provision simply because that entity doesn't use such data in its selected methodology. The Requirement as drafted does not make this clear.

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2. This standard and accompanying methodology standards (MOD-028, MOD-029, MOD-030) include requirements on establishing the Total Transfer Capability or Total Flowgate Capability that shall be used as input to the process. With the addition of these requirements for establishing TTC/TFC, do you believe that FAC-012 and FAC-013 should be retired? If "No," please describe what changes, if any, should be made to FAC-012 and/or FAC-013 in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments:

3. Do you agree with the functional entities identified in the "Applicability" section of the draft standard? If "No," please explain why in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments:

4. Do you agree with the calculation frequency and schedule in R5.? If "No," please explain and suggest any alternatives you believe to be appropriate in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments: Recalculation of TTC/TFC should be due to a change in system conditions that warrant a recalculation. Recalculation of ATC/AFC should be due to a change in one or more of the components included in the ATC/AFC calculation formula (including TTC/TFC). No set frequency should be set for these calculations.

5. Do you agree the information to be included in the "Available Transfer Capability Implementation Document" that will be made publicly available (as required in R3) is appropriate and sufficient? If "No," please explain why in the comments area.

Yes

No

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6. Do you agree the information to be exchanged with requesting entities (as required in R6) is appropriate and sufficient? If "No," please explain why in the comment area.

Yes

No

Comments:

7. Should the scope of MOD-001 be expanded to include requirements for the evaluation of Transmission Service Requests? Please explain your answer in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments: NAESB Business Practices and OATT requirements should address this.

8. Are you aware of any conflicts between the proposed standard and any regulatory function, rule/order, tariff, rate schedule, legislative requirement or agreement? If "Yes," please identify the conflict in the comments area.

Yes

No

Comments:

9. Please provide any other comments (that you have not already provided in response to the questions above) that you have on the draft standard MOD-001-1.

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