

Standards Announcement

Project 2010-INT-01 Rapid Revision of TOP-006 for FMPP

Ballot Pool Forming: June 14 – July 13, 2012

Formal Comment Period Open: June 14 – July 30, 2012

Upcoming:

Initial Ballot and Non-Binding Poll: July 20 – July 30, 2012

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A formal comment period for the rapid revision of **TOP-006-3** – Monitoring System Conditions is open through 8 p.m. Eastern on Monday, July 30, 2012 and ballot pools are being formed through 8 a.m. Friday, July 13, 2012.

Two different types of changes are being made to TOP-006-3. Those changes have been highlighted in the redline version in either yellow or green. The redline changes highlighted in yellow are in response to the rapid revision of TOP-006-2. The redline updates highlighted in green are updates that are being made to bring the standard up to the current boiler plate wording approved by the Standards Committee and to incorporate the VRF/VSLs that have been approved by the NERC Board.

Instructions for Joining Ballot Pool

Two ballot pools are being formed. Registered Ballot Body members must join the first ballot pool to be eligible to vote in the balloting of standard TOP-006-3, and a second, separate ballot pool to be eligible to cast an opinion in the non-binding poll for the VRF and VSL for Requirements R1.3. Registered Ballot Body members may join each of the ballot pools at the following page: [Join Ballot Pool](#).

During the pre-ballot window, members of the ballot pool may communicate with one another by using their “ballot pool list servers.” (Once the balloting begins, ballot pool members are prohibited from using the ballot pool list server.) The ballot pool list servers for this ballot pool are:

Initial ballot: bp-2010-INT-01:TOP-006_in@nerc.com

Non-binding poll: bp-2010-INT-01_NB_in@nerc.com

The ballot pools are open **through 8 a.m. Eastern on Friday, July 13, 2012.**

Instructions for Commenting

A formal comment period is open through **8 p.m. Eastern on Monday, July 30, 2012**. Please use this [electronic form](#) to submit comments. If you experience any difficulties in using the electronic form, please contact Monica Benson at monica.benson@nerc.net. An off-line, unofficial copy of the comment form is posted on the [project page](#).

Commenters and voters **must** submit comments through the [electronic comment form](#). Due to modifications to NERC's balloting software, voters are no longer able to submit comments via the balloting software.

Next Steps

An initial ballot of the standard and non-binding poll of the VRF and VSL for Requirement R1.3 will be conducted beginning Friday, July 20, 2012 through 8 p.m. Eastern on Monday, July 30, 2012.

Background

Florida Municipal Power Pool (FMPP) submitted a request for interpretation of TOP-006-2 asking for clarification for Requirements R1.2 and Requirement R3. For Requirement R1.2, since the Balancing Authority is not responsible for transmission, FMPP asked if the Balancing Authority is responsible for reporting generation resources available for use and the Transmission Operator responsible for reporting transmission resources that are available for use. For Requirement R3, FMPP asked if the "appropriate technical information concerning protective relays" only refers to protective relays for which the entity has responsibility.

At the January 2012 meeting, the Standards Committee approved the interpretation be converted to a rapid revision.

Standards Development Process

The [Standards Processes Manual](#) 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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