

Standards Announcement

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

Recirculation Ballot Open through 8 p.m. Friday, September 21, 2012

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The Real-time Operations Standard Drafting Team has posted its consideration of comments received during a parallel formal comment period and initial ballot that ended July 30, 2012. The drafting team has made the following clarifying changes:

- In Requirement R1, Part 1.3 Transmission Operator has been removed.
- In Requirement R3, the areas for the responsible entities have been spelled out for each.
- In Requirement R3, changed the Time Horizon to Real-time Operations from Operations Planning.
- In Requirement R4, removed Operations Planning, Same Day Operations from the Time Horizon.
- Respective changes were made to the measures and VSLs for each of the changes listed above.

A recirculation ballot for the rapid revision of TOP-006-3 is open from **Wednesday, September 12th through 8 p.m. Eastern on Friday, September 21, 2012.**

Instructions

In the recirculation ballot, votes are counted by exception. Only members of the ballot pool may cast a ballot; all ballot pool members may change their previously cast votes. A ballot pool member who failed to cast a ballot during the last ballot window may cast a ballot in the recirculation ballot window. If a ballot pool member does not participate in the recirculation ballot, that member's vote cast in the previous ballot will be carried over as that member's vote in the recirculation ballot.

Members of the ballot pool associated with this project may log in and submit their vote by clicking [here](#).

Next Steps

If approved, the standard will be presented to the Board of Trustees for adoption and then filed with the appropriate regulatory authorities.

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 addressing the interpretation through a revision of TOP-006 and appointed the Real-time Operations SDT as the drafting team. The Standards Committee action is entirely consistent with guidance on interpretations provided by the NERC Board of Trustees in November 2009, and consistent with the processes in the NERC Standard Processes Manual.

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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