Unofficial Comment Form

Project 2021-06 Modifications to IRO-010 and TOP-003

**Do not** use this form for submitting comments. Use the [Standards Balloting and Commenting System (SBS)](https://sbs.nerc.net/) to submit comments on **2021-06 Modifications to IRO-010 and TOP-003**. Comments must be submitted by **8 p.m. Eastern, Tuesday, June 20, 2023.**

Additional information is available on the [project page](https://www.nerc.com/pa/Stand/Pages/Project-2021-06-Modifications-to-IRO-010-and-TOP-003.aspx). If you have questions, contact Standards Developer, Josh Blume (email), or at 404-446-2593.

## Background Information

The primary purpose of this project is to simplify administrative burdens identified by the SER Phase 2 Team associated with the current IR0-010-5 and TOP-003-6 standards and limit unnecessary data requirements that do not contribute to BES reliability and resiliency. As written the standards create a zero-defect expectation for each registered entity receiving a data specification to demonstrate perfect performance on every item in the data specification for an entire audit period. This can result in unnecessary administrative burdens for the registered entity to demonstrate compliance, including excessive data retention. If instead a risk-based approach was developed and performance was triggered upon an event or unresolved data conflicts between entities, then the purpose of the standards would be achieved in an effective and efficient manner.

The secondary purpose of this project is to evaluate removing other data exchange requirements dispersed in other standards. The standards drafting team (SDT) would need to evaluate those requirements after proposed changes to the IR0-010-5 and TOP-003-6 are developed to determine if they are within the scope of the four tasks and consequently within the scope of IRO-010-5 and TOP-003-6. This may require enhancing the standards to allow each registered entity with responsibilities to perform the tasks identified in IRO-010-5 and TOP-003-6 the ability to request and receive any information it needs from other Registered Entities to perform those tasks.

**Questions**

1. To support the proposed modifications, the SDT has revised the VSLs in both IRO-010-5 and TOP-003-6 to account for the clarified data specification criteria. Do you agree? If you do not agree, or if you agree but have comments or suggestions for the SDT please provide your recommendation and explanation.

[ ]  Yes

[ ]  No

Comments:

1. Provide any additional comments regarding IRO-010-5 for the SDT to consider.

Comments:

1. Provide any additional comments regarding TOP-003-6 for the SDT to consider.

Comments:

1. Provide any additional comments for the SDT to consider, if desired.

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