



# NORTH AMERICAN ELECTRIC RELIABILITY COUNCIL

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## Determine Facility Ratings, System Operating Limits, and Transfer Capabilities Standard Drafting Team

November 14, 2003  
Conference Call — 1–3 p.m.

### Conference Call Minutes

#### Attendance

Paul Johnson — AEP, Chairman  
Michael Viles — BPA  
Doug Chapman — Manitoba Hydro  
Michael Schiavone — National Grid  
Chifong Thomas — PGE  
Ron Szymczak — Exelon  
Terry Crawley — Southern Company  
Bob Millard — MAIN  
Steve Myers — ERCOT  
Tim Gallagher — NERC

1. The purpose of this call was to continue to revise the draft standard in response to industry comments. Responses to all the comments were reviewed and completed, as were all the modifications to the standard.
2. The team discussed on the impacts of the newly issued version 2 of NERC's Functional Model on this draft standard. The team concluded that although the new version is an improvement, the FM now contains some errors and misconceptions. Specifically:
  - a. The Model incorrectly assumes that Reliability Authorities will only determine Interconnected Reliability Operating Limits (IROL). Reliability Authorities are responsible for determining all System Operating Limits (SOL) in their reliability area, not just the subset that are considered IROLs.
  - b. The Model misunderstands the relationship between SOLs and IROLs. IROLs are SOLs, with the only distinction being the potential outcome of exceeding the limit.
  - c. The Model does not recognize the role played by the Planning Authority and Transmission Planner in the determination of SOLs.
  - d. Transmission Service Providers do not require facility ratings information to fulfill their function, which is to implement transmission tariffs.

These comments will be shared with the group responsible for the Model when they solicit industry comments.

3. After consideration of the modifications made to the standard, Paul Johnson asked team members to vote to decide the next step for this standard. Five members voted to move the standard to ballot and four voted to post for further industry comment. Since a majority of team members did not support balloting at this time, Paul Johnson stated that the standard would be posted for comment, starting December 1, 2003.
4. No future meetings of the team are scheduled until after the comment period has ended.