**Six-month Status Report**

Please **DO NOT** use this form for submitting comments. Please use the [electronic form](https://www.nerc.net/nercsurvey/Survey.aspx?s=8f14e42515154493be1240f3ebc1d2fc)[[1]](#footnote-1) to submit percent complete status report on the data request. The electronic comment form must be completed by **Monday, March 4, 2013 8:00 p.m. ET**.

If you have questions regarding the project, please contact Scott Barfield-McGinnis at [scott.barfield@nerc.net](mailto:scott.barfield@nerc.net) or by telephone at 404-446-9689.

This period is requires each Transmission Planner in the United States to submit its percent complete status in accordance with the [Order No. 754 Request for Data or Information](http://www.nerc.com/docs/standards/dt/Order_754-Request_for_Data_or_Information_08162012.pdf)[[2]](#footnote-2) (“data request”). Canadian entities are strongly encouraged to submit a status for NERC’s complete record of the data request.

**Click here for:**  [**Order 754 Project Page**](http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/order_754.html)[[3]](#footnote-3)

# Background Information

The NERC Board of Trustees approved the data requeston August 16, 2012. The data request became effective September 1, 2012 and is applicable to each Transmission Planner within the United States. While it is not mandatory for registered entities in Canada to respond, Canadian entities are strongly encouraged to submit data so that decisions regarding the concern stated in Order No. 754 can be based on complete data across North America. Each Generator Owner, Distribution Provider, and Transmission Owner is required to support its TP in completing the steps necessary to obtain the data for reporting.

Order 754 is the Final Rule approving the interpretation of Interpretation TPL-002-0a PacifiCorp ([Project 2009-14](http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/Project2009-14_Interpretation_TPL-002-0_PacifiCorp.html)[[4]](#footnote-4)) regarding requirement R1.3.10. In addition to the approval, the Commission expressed a concern about single point of failure of protection systems and issued a directive for further investigation. From the Order, “…the Commission believes that there is an issue concerning the study of the non-operation of non-redundant primary protection systems; e.g., the study of a single point of failure on protection systems” (P19). In the first part of the directive (P20), the Commission directed FERC staff to meet with NERC and its appropriate subject matter experts to explore this reliability concern, including where it can best be addressed, and identify any additional actions necessary to address the matter. This portion of the directive was satisfied by the October 24-25, 2011 Technical Conference. In the second part (P20), NERC must complete an informational filing within six months of the Order (middle March 2012) explaining whether there is a further system protection issue that needs to be addressed and, if so, what forum and process should be used to address that issue and what priority it should be accorded relative to other reliability initiatives planned by NERC.

**Comment Questions**

Transmission Planners must provide a report of the percent completion at the six-month milestone of the two year data request period. The following is the information each Transmission Planner will need when completing the percent complete status report to NERC.

* Transmission Planner Primary Contact:
* Entity Name / Organization:
* NCR # (Format numeric value only – e.g., 01234):
* Telephone (###-###-####):
* Transmission Planner Primary Contact Email:
* NERC Region (check on – the primary Region in which you company operates[[5]](#footnote-5))

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* You are responding to this request because you have previously acknowledged the data request for Order No. 754. The data request will collect information to study the extent of potential single point of failure on protection systems. Transmission Planners must submit a status report confirming the percent of work completed to NERC by March 4, 2014. Please enter the percent of work completed in the field below in accordance to the Order No. 754 data collection request reporting schedule. Please finalize your submission and your response to this collection period. (Numeric value only up to 3 digits)

1. <https://www.nerc.net/nercsurvey/Survey.aspx?s=8f14e42515154493be1240f3ebc1d2fc> [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
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3. <http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/order_754.html> [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. <http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/Project2009-14_Interpretation_TPL-002-0_PacifiCorp.html> [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
5. Transmission Planners submitting data across multiple Regions should select their primary region or alternatively select the Region in which the bulk of its data being reported. Entities reporting across multiple Regions must keep an internal record of their data by Region should NERC need to obtain further granularity. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)