

Standards Announcement

Project 2010-07 Generator Requirements at the Transmission Interface

Initial Ballot Results

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Initial ballots for each of the following standards and their associated implementation plans closed on November 18, 2011:

- FAC-001-1 – Facility Connection Requirements
- Two versions of FAC-003 – Transmission Vegetation Management (FAC-003-3 and FAC-003-X). *Note that FAC-003-X shows changes to FAC-003-1, while FAC-003-3 shows changes to FAC-003-2 developed by the Project 2007-07 drafting team. FAC-003-2 was adopted by the NERC Board on November 3, and a revised version of FAC-003-3 showing the Project 2010-07 drafting team’s changes against the Board’s version was posted.*
- PRC-004-2.1 – Analysis and Mitigation of Transmission and Generation Protection System Misoperations

Voting statistics for each ballot are listed in the table below, and the [Ballot Results](#) Web page provides a link to the detailed results.

Standard	Quorum	Approval
FAC-001-1	88.22%	86.94%
FAC-003-3	85.08%	85.71%
FAC-003-X	84.82%	85.31%
PRC-004-2.1	84.29%	96.09%

Next Steps

The drafting team will consider all comments received and determine whether to make additional changes to the standards. If the drafting team makes substantive changes to a standard, the standard will be posted for a parallel 30-day comment period and successive ballot. If the drafting team decides that no substantive changes are needed to a standard, a recirculation ballot will be conducted.

Background

The purpose of Project 2010-07 is to ensure that all generator-owned Facilities are appropriately covered under NERC's Reliability Standards. While many Generator Owners and Generator Operators operate Facilities, commonly known as generator interconnection Facilities, that are considered by some entities to be transmission, these are most often radial Facilities that are not part of the integrated grid. As such, they should not be subject to the same standards applicable to Transmission Owners and Transmission Operators who own and operate Transmission Elements and Facilities that are part of the integrated grid.

As part of the BES, generators do affect the overall reliability of the BES. But registering a Generator Owner or Generator Operator as a Transmission Owner or Transmission Operator, as has been the solution in some cases in the past, may decrease reliability by diverting the Generator Owner's or Generator Operator's resources from the operation of the equipment that actually produces electricity – the generation equipment itself.

The drafting team's goal is to ensure that an adequate level of reliability is maintained in the BES by clearly describing which standards need to be applied to generator interconnection Facilities that are not already applicable to Generator Owners or Generator Operators. This can be accomplished by properly applying FAC-001, FAC-003, and PRC-004 to Generator Owners as proposed in the redline standards posted for comment. Additional information is available on the [project page](#).

Standards Development Process

The [Standard 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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