

Implementation Plan

Project 2007-09 Generator Verification

Implementation Plan for MOD-026-1, Verification of Models and Data for Generator Excitation Control System Functions and Plant Volt/Var Control Functions

Approvals Required

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Prerequisite Approvals

None

Revisions to Glossary Terms

None

Applicable Entities

Transmission Planner
Generator Owner

For the purpose of this standard, the following Facilities are considered, “applicable units¹.”

Units or plants with an average capacity factor² greater than 5 percent over the last three calendar years, beginning on January 1 and ending on December 31, that meet the following:

Generating units connected to the Eastern or Quebec Interconnections with the following characteristics:

- Individual generating unit greater than 100 MVA (gross nameplate rating) directly connected to the bulk power system.

¹ Applicable generating units do not include startup or standby units not normally connected to the grid.

² Once a capacity factor exemption is declared by notifying the Transmission Planner, verification is not required for 10 calendar years from the date eligibility occurs. At the end of this 10 calendar year timeframe, the current average 3 year capacity factor (for years 8, 9, and 10) is examined to determine if the capacity factor exemption can be declared for the next 10 calendar year period. If not eligible for the capacity factor exemption, then model verification must be completed within one year of the date the capacity factor exemption expired with the 10 calendar year periodicity requirement reset based on the verification date. For the definition of capacity factor, refer to Appendix F of the GADS Data Reporting Instructions on the NERC website.

- For each generating plant / Facility consisting of one or more units that are connected to the bulk power system at a common bus with total generation greater than 100 MVA (gross aggregate rating):
 - Each individual generating unit greater than 20 MVA (gross nameplate rating); and
 - Each generating plant / Facility comprised consisting of individual generating units less than 20 MVA (gross nameplate ratings)

Generating units connected to the Western Interconnection with the following characteristics:

- Individual generating unit greater than 75 MVA (gross nameplate rating) directly connected to the bulk power system.
- For each generating plant / Facility consisting of one or more units that are connected to the bulk power system at a common bus with total generation greater than 75 MVA (gross aggregate rating):
 - Each individual generating unit greater than 20 MVA (gross nameplate rating); and
 - Each generating plant / Facility comprised consisting of individual generating units less than 20 MVA (gross nameplate ratings)

Generating units connected to the ERCOT Interconnection with the following characteristics:

- Individual generating unit greater than 50 MVA (gross nameplate rating) directly connected to the bulk power system.
- For each generating plant / Facility consisting of one or more units that are connected to the bulk power system at a common bus with total generation greater than 75 MVA (gross aggregate rating):
 - Each individual generating unit greater than 20 MVA (gross nameplate rating); and
 - Each generating plant / Facility comprised consisting of individual generating units less than 20 MVA (gross nameplate ratings)

For all Interconnections:

- Any registered technically justified³ unit requested by the Planning Coordinator.

³ Technical justification is achieved by demonstrating that the simulated unit or plant response does not match the measured unit or plant response.

Conforming Changes to Other Standards

None

Effective Dates

In those jurisdictions where regulatory approval is required:

- Each responsible entity shall ensure compliance with Requirements R1, and R3 through R6 By the first day of the first calendar quarter, four years following applicable regulatory approval.
- Each Generator Owner shall ensure at least 30% of its applicable units per Interconnection on an MVA basis are compliant with Requirement R2 by the first day of the first calendar quarter, four years following applicable regulatory approval.
- Each Generator Owner shall ensure at least 50% of its applicable units per Interconnection on an MVA basis are compliant with Requirement R2 by the first day of the first calendar quarter, six years following applicable regulatory approval.
- Each Generator Owner shall ensure 100% of its applicable units are compliant with Requirement R2 By the first day of the first calendar quarter, ten years following applicable regulatory approval.

In those jurisdictions where no regulatory approval is required:

- Each responsible entity shall ensure compliance with Requirements R1, and R3 through R6 by the first day of the first calendar quarter, four years following Board of Trustees adoption.
- Each Generator Owner shall ensure at least 30% of its applicable units per Interconnection on an MVA basis are compliant with Requirement R2 by the first day of the first calendar quarter, four years following Board of Trustees adoption.
- Each Generator Owner shall ensure at least 50% of its applicable units per Interconnection on an MVA basis are compliant with Requirement R2 By the first day of the first calendar quarter, six years following Board of Trustees adoption.
- Each Generator Owner shall ensure 100% of its applicable units are compliant with Requirement R2 By the first day of the first calendar quarter, ten years following Board of Trustees adoption.

Consideration for Early Compliance

Existing excitation control system and plant volt/var control model verification is sufficient for demonstrating compliance for a ten year period from the actual verification date if either of the following applies:

- The Generator Owner has a verified model that is compliant with the applicable regional entity policies, guidelines or criteria existing at the time of model verification, or
- The Generator Owner has an existing verified model that is compliant with the requirements of this standard.

Justification

This phased implementation supports the ten year cycle for the collection of generator response data necessary for required verifications and typical generating unit outage schedules.

When a Generator Owner has verified its Excitation Control System and Plant Volt/Var Control model(s) in compliance with its regional entity requirements ten years or less prior to the approval date of this Standard, these verifications are deemed sufficient for demonstrating compliance with this Standard for a ten year period from the date of the aforementioned verification.

Retirements

None