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## Standards Announcement

### Initial Ballot Results

#### Project 2010-11: TPL Table 1, Footnote B

**Now available at:** <https://standards.nerc.net/Ballots.aspx>

An initial ballot of Table 1 footnote ‘b’ in TPL-001-1 through TPL-004-1 ended on January 5, 2011. Voting statistics are listed below, and the [Ballot Results](#) Web page provides a link to the detailed results:

Quorum: 90.42%

Approval: 83.33%

#### **Background:**

FERC Order RM06-16-009 requires the ERO to clarify TPL-002-0, Table 1 - footnote ‘b,’ regarding the planned or controlled interruption of electric supply where a single contingency occurs on a transmission system and originally directed NERC to file the revised standards by June 30, 2010. To meet this directive a proposed revision was posted for “Urgent Action” and balloted from May 17-27, 2010. The proposed revision achieved a quorum (84%) and almost enough affirmative votes (64%) to achieve weighted segment approval; however, many balloters provided comments indicating the need for additional modifications. Following the initial ballot, FERC extended the due date to March 31, 2011; thus the project is no longer considered “Urgent Action.”

Because Table 1 appears in TPL-001, TPL-002, TPL-003, and TPL-004, the change is reflected in all four standards:

- TPL-001-1 - System Performance Under Normal (No Contingency) Conditions (Category A)
- TPL-002-1b - System Performance Following Loss of a Single Bulk Electric System Element (Category B)
- TPL-003-1a - System Performance Following Loss of Two or More Bulk Electric System Elements (Category C)
- TPL-004-1 - System Performance Following Extreme Events Resulting in the Loss of Two or More Bulk Electric System Elements (Category D)

More details may be found on the project page:

[http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/Project2010-11\\_TPL\\_Table-1\\_Order.html](http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/Project2010-11_TPL_Table-1_Order.html)

#### **Next Steps**

The drafting team will consider all comments (those submitted with a comment form and those submitted with a ballot) and will determine whether to make additional changes to the footnote in the four standards. The team

will post its response to comments and, if the footnote has only minor changes, will post the standards and conduct a 10-day recirculation ballot.

### **Ballot Criteria**

Approval requires both (1) a quorum, which is established by at least 75% of the members of the ballot pool submitting either an affirmative vote, a negative vote, or an abstention, and (2) a two-thirds majority of the weighted segment votes cast must be affirmative; the number of votes cast is the sum of affirmative and negative votes, excluding abstentions and non-responses.

### **Standards 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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