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## Standards Announcement

### Initial Ballot Window Open

May 17–27, 2010

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#### TPL Table 1, Footnote B (Project 2010-11)

An initial ballot window for the TPL Table 1, Footnote B changes is now open **until 8 p.m. EST on May 27, 2010**.

The ballot includes four draft standards and an implementation plan. The only change proposed in each of the four standards (TPL-001-1, TPL-002-1b, TPL-003-1a, and TPL-004-1) is to Table 1, Footnote 'b'.

#### Instructions

Members of the ballot pool associated with this project may log in and submit their votes from the following page: <https://standards.nerc.net/CurrentBallots.aspx>

#### Next Steps

Voting results will be posted and announced after the ballot window closes.

#### Project Background

The Assess Transmission Future Needs Standard Drafting Team (Project 2006-02) has developed a clarification to TPL Table 1 — footnote 'b' concerning the loss of load and handling of firm transfers when a single contingency occurs on the transmission system.

The drafting team is proposing the following revision to footnote 'b': No interruption of firm Load is allowed except: (1) Interruption of Load that is directly served by the elements that are removed from service as a result of the Contingency, or (2) Planned or controlled interruption of Load supplied by Transmission Facilities made temporarily radial as a result of the Contingency and where that Load must be interrupted to meet performance requirements only on those now radial Transmission Facilities.

On the firm transfer issue, the drafting team developed the following clarification:

No curtailment of Firm Transmission Service is allowed except when coupled with the appropriate re-dispatch of resources obligated to re-dispatch where it can be demonstrated that Facilities remain within applicable Facility Ratings and those adjustments do not result in the shedding of any firm Load. Where Facilities external to the Transmission Planner's planning region are relied upon, Facility Ratings in those regions should also be respected.

Since this clarification may present a different interpretation of footnote 'b' than the one presently used by some entities, the SDT is proposing a 60 month implementation plan to allow those entities time to react

#### Standards Development Process

The [Reliability Standards Development Procedure](#) 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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