

Standards Announcement

Project 2015-07 Internal Communications Capabilities

Standard Drafting Team Nomination Period Open through June 24, 2015

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Nominations are being sought for standard drafting team members through **8 p.m. Eastern, Wednesday, June 24, 2015.**

Use the [electronic form](#) to submit a nomination. An unofficial Word version of the nomination form is posted on the [Standard Drafting Team Vacancies](#) page and the [project page](#).

By submitting a nomination form, you are indicating your willingness and agreement to actively participate in the review or drafting team meetings if appointed by the Standards Committee. If appointed, you are expected to attend most of the face-to-face drafting team meetings as well as participate in all the team meetings held via conference calls.

The time commitment for these projects is expected to be up to two face-to-face meetings per quarter (on average two full working days each meeting) with conference calls scheduled as needed to meet the agreed upon timeline the review or drafting team sets forth. Review and drafting teams also will have side projects, either individually or by subgroup, to present to the larger team for discussion and review. Lastly, an important component of the review and drafting team efforts is outreach. Members of the team should be conducting outreach during development prior to posting to ensure all issues can be discussed and resolved.

Previous drafting or review team experience is beneficial but not required. A brief description of the desired qualifications, expected commitment, and other pertinent information is included below.

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The purpose of the proposed project is to address the directive from FERC Order No. 808 to modify the COM-001-2 standard or develop a new standard to address “internal communications capabilities that could involve the issuance or receipt of Operating Instructions or other communications that could have an impact on reliability.” Order No. 808, at P 1.

In Order No. 808, FERC directed “NERC to develop modifications to COM-001-2, or to develop a new standard, to address our concerns regarding ensuring the adequacy of internal communications capability whenever internal communications could directly affect the reliable operation of the Bulk-Power System.” Order No. 808, at P 41. In the same paragraph, FERC clarified that this intended to include a directive that the modified or new standard would “address the adequacy of internal

telecommunications (or other internal communication systems) that may have an adverse effect on reliability, even within a single functional entity, including: (1) communications between geographically separate control centers within the same functional entity; and (2) communications between a control center and field personnel.” Id.

Next Steps

The Standards Committee is expected to begin appointing members to the standard drafting team in July 2015. Nominees will be notified shortly after they have been appointed to the standard drafting team.

For information on the Standards Development Process, refer to the [Standard Processes Manual](#).

For more information or assistance, contact Standards Developer, [Jordan Mallory](#) (via email) or at (404) 446-2733.

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