

Standards Announcement

Ballot Pool and Pre-ballot Window

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Project 2008-09: Interpretation of EOP-001-0 for Regional Entity Compliance Managers (Revision 2)

A revised interpretation of EOP-001-0 — Emergency Operations Planning Requirement R1 for the Regional Entity Compliance Managers is posted for a 30-day pre-ballot review. Registered Ballot Body members may join the ballot pool to be eligible to vote on this interpretation **until 8 a.m. EST on November 5, 2009**.

During the pre-ballot window, members of the ballot pool may communicate with one another by using their “ballot pool list server.” (Once the balloting begins, ballot pool members are prohibited from using the ballot pool list servers.) The list server for this ballot pool is: [bp-2008-09 RFI RECM-Rv2 in](#).

Next Steps

Voting will begin shortly after the pre-ballot review closes.

Project Background

The Regional Entity Compliance Managers group submitted a request for interpretation for EOP-001-0 Requirement R1. Under Requirement R1, the Balancing Authority must have operating agreements with adjacent Balancing Authorities that contain provisions for emergency assistance, including emergency assistance from remote Balancing Authorities. The request asked for clarification on specific terminology and the applicability of Reserve Sharing Group Agreements.

This is the second revision of the interpretation. The drafting team revised the interpretation to address balloter concerns regarding 1) application on an Interconnection basis, 2) whether an agreement was required with a remote Balancing Authority, and 3) whether a Reserve Sharing Group agreement could substitute for an emergency assistance agreement with adjacent Balancing Authorities. The changes to the interpretation are shown in a redline version posted for review. The team has also posted a response to comments received during the initial ballot (February 2009) of the first revision. Project page: <http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/EOP-001-0 Interpretation RECM.html>

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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