Regional Reliability Standards Announcement
MOD-026-2 and MOD-027-2 (WECC Variance)

Comment Period Open through December 28, 2015

Now Available

The Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) has requested NERC to post Regional Reliability Standards MOD-026-2 and MOD-027-2 – Modeling, Data, and Analysis (WECC Variance) for a 45-day industry review and comment period as permitted by the NERC Rules of Procedure.

Commenting
Use the electronic form to submit comments. If you experience any difficulties in using the electronic form, contact Mat Bunch. The form must be submitted by 8 p.m. Eastern, Monday, December 28, 2015. An unofficial Word version of the comment form is posted on the Regional Reliability Standards Under Development page.

Regional Reliability Standards Development Process
Section 300 of NERC's Rules of Procedures of the Electric Reliability Organization governs the regional reliability standards development process.

Background
- MOD-026-2, Verification of Models and Data for Generator Excitation Control System or Plant Volt/VAR Control Functions.
- MOD-027-2 Verification of Models and Data for Turbine/Governor and Load Control or Active Power/Frequency Controls Functions.

Without these variances, an entity can use flawed generator modeling practices and still be in alignment with the requirements of MOD-026-1 and MOD-027-1, leaving questions of credibility of certain generator models. As a result, entities could plan their systems based on models whose veracity has never been determined. Use of these acceptable-yet-flawed practices creates inaccuracies in the WECC model databases. As a result, reliability is at risk without the variance.

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