Regional Reliability Standards Announcement
Western Electricity Coordinating Council
PRC-006-5 Regional Variance

Comment Period Open through July 6, 2020

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The Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) requested that NERC post the PRC-006-5 - Automatic Underfrequency Load Shedding Regional Variance (RV) for industry review and comment in accordance with the NERC Rules of Procedure.

Background
The WECC conducted a mandatory five-year review of the PRC-006-4 RV. The following changes were made:

1) updated the preamble of the RV to indicate Requirements R14 and R15 of the underlying standard do not apply to entities in the Western Interconnection,
2) clarifies that Planning Coordinator (PC) as used in the RV is specific to those PCs providing PC service(s) to entities within the Western Interconnection, regardless of where the PC is located, and
3) clarifies syntax, adopts NERC’s most current drafting conventions, and updates the Violation Risk Factor table.

The proposed Variance does not change any of the continent-wide Requirements. The WECC Board of Directors adopted the proposed RV on March 11, 2020.

The standard was posted for comment from September 23 – October 23, 2019 and the comments received can be viewed here.

Commenting
Use the Standards Balloting and Commenting System (SBS) to submit comments by 8 p.m. Eastern, Monday, July 6, 2020. Contact Wendy Muller regarding issues with the SBS. An unofficial Word version of the comment form is posted on the Regional Reliability Standards Under Development page.

- Contact NERC IT support directly at https://support.nerc.net/ (Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Eastern) for problems regarding accessing the SBS due to a forgotten password, incorrect credential error messages, or system lock-out.
- Passwords expire every 6 months and must be reset.
- The SBS is not supported for use on mobile devices.
Please be mindful of ballot and comment period closing dates. We ask to allow at least 48 hours for NERC support staff to assist with inquiries. Therefore, it is recommended that users try logging into their SBS accounts prior to the last day of a comment/ballot period.

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.

Documents and information about this project are available on the WECC’s Standards Under Development page.

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