

Lesson Learned CIP Version 5 Transition Program CIP-002-5, Requirement R1, Attachment 1: Criterion 2.5 and Generation Interconnection

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Purpose

The purpose of this Lesson Learned is to provide guidance on the application of impact rating criterion 2.5 as it relates to generation interconnection. Specifically, it discusses how responsible entities should consider generator lead lines as they apply criterion 2.5.

Background

This lesson learned provides approaches used by Implementation Study participants.¹ Reliability Standard CIP-002-5 Requirement R1, Attachment 1, criterion 2.5 requires responsible entities to assess Transmission Facilities by determining the "weighted value per line" for each incoming and each outgoing BES Transmission Line that is connected to another Transmission station or substation.

Guidance

Consistent with the language of criterion 2.5 and the Guidelines and Technical Basis section of CIP-002-5.1, study participants concluded that a radial generator lead line with no network flows (i.e., no power would flow through the line if the generator is off-line) and with the sole purpose of connecting generator output to a networked Transmission system would not qualify as a Transmission Line to be included in the criterion 2.5 calculation.

¹ Ref. Implementation Study Final Report http://www.nerc.com/pa/CI/tpv5impmntnstdy/CIPv5 Implem Study Final Report Oct2014.pdf