

Standards Announcement

Project 2010-05.3 Phase 3 of Protection Systems: Remedial Action Schemes (RAS)

PRC-012-2

Informal Comment Period Open through May 20, 2015

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A 21-day informal comment period for **PRC-012-2 – Remedial Action Schemes** is open through **8 p.m. Eastern, Wednesday, May 20, 2015**.

For this informal posting, the drafting team is soliciting stakeholder feedback on the scope and work product developed thus far. The drafting team will use the informal feedback to finalize the preliminary draft of PRC-012-2. Stakeholders may communicate additional feedback directly to the drafting team through its open meetings leading up to the first formal posting. The next meeting is scheduled for June 8-11, 2015. Meeting details will be posted to the NERC calendar early May 2015.

Background

This project is addressing all aspects of Remedial Action Schemes (RAS) and Special Protection Systems (SPS) contained in the RAS/SPS-related Reliability Standards: PRC-012-1, PRC-013-1, PRC-014-1, PRC-015-1, and PRC-016-1. The maintenance of the Protection System components associated with RAS (PRC-017-1 Remedial Action Scheme Maintenance and Testing) are already addressed in PRC-005-2. PRC-012-2 addresses the testing of the non-Protection System components associated with RAS/SPS.

In FERC Order No. 693 (dated March 16, 2007), the Commission identified PRC-012-0, PRC-013-0, and PRC-014-0 as “fill-in-the-blank” standards and did not approve or remand them because they are applicable to the Regional Reliability Organizations (RROs), assigning the RROs the responsibility to establish regional procedures and databases, and to assess and document the operation, coordination, and compliance of RAS/SPS. The deference to regional practices precludes the consistent application of RAS/SPS-related Reliability Standard requirements.

The proposed draft of PRC-012-2 corrects the applicability of the fill-in-the-blank standards by assigning the requirement responsibilities to the specific users, owners, and operators of the Bulk-Power System; and incorporates the reliability objectives of all the RAS/SPS-related standards.

Commenting

Use the [electronic form](#) to submit comments on the standard. If you experience any difficulties in using the electronic form, contact [Wendy Muller](#). An unofficial Word version of the comment form is posted on the [project page](#).

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

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