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Standards Announcement

Standards Authorization Request (SAR) Comment and Drafting Team Nomination Periods Open Project 2010-07: Generator Requirements at the Transmission Interface

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Nominations for Drafting Team (through March 1, 2010)

The Standards Committee is seeking industry experts to serve on the Generator Requirements at the Transmission Interface Drafting Team (see project background below).

If you are interested in serving on this drafting team, please complete this <u>electronic nomination form</u> by March 1, 2010.

Comment Period (through March 15, 2010)

The Standards Committee has posted a proposed SAR for a 30-day comment period **ending on March 15**, **2010**. Also posted are proposed revisions to existing standards and a copy of the final report published by the Ad Hoc Group for Generator Requirements at the Transmission Interface.

Please use this <u>electronic form</u> to submit comments. If you experience any difficulties in using the electronic form, please contact Lauren Koller at <u>Lauren.Koller@nerc.net</u>. An off-line, unofficial copy of the comment form is posted on the project page (see project background below).

Project Background

On January 14, 2008, the NERC Board of Trustees Compliance Committee upheld the Western Electricity Coordinating Council's (WECC's) determination to register the New Harquahala Generating Company (Harquahala) as a Transmission Owner and Transmission Operator. This determination is based on Harquahala's 26-mile 500 kV interconnection facilities that connect the plant with the Hassayampa transmission substation. This decision was upheld by FERC and caused concern for Generator Owners and Generator Operators who owned only transmission "tie-line" facilities used to connect their generating facilities to a transmission substation.

In response to concerns from members of the generator segment regarding this decision, NERC conducted a survey in the Fall of 2008 to define and collect recommendations for resolving stakeholders concerns, and to review and highlight those Transmission Owner and Transmission Operator requirements that should be considered for generic applicability for Generator Owners and Generator Operators for their tie-line facilities. Based on the survey recommendations, NERC formed a group of industry representatives to "Evaluate existing NERC Reliability Standard requirements and develop a recommendation and possible standards authorization request to address gaps in reliability for interconnection facilities of the Generator Owner and expectations for the Generator Operator in operating those facilities. Propose strategies to address or resolve other related issues as appropriate." In November 2009, the group published report of its conclusions and recommendations.

This project is the result of those recommendations, which include proposed definitions and changes to existing standards to add clarity to Generator Owners and Generator Operators regarding their reliability standard obligations at the interface with the interconnected grid.

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Standards Development Process

The <u>Reliability Standards Development Procedure</u> 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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