

# Standards Announcement

Project 2007-17 - Protection System Maintenance & Testing

Successive Ballot Window Open through 8 p.m. Monday, August 27, 2012

## **Now Available**

A successive ballot for PRC-005-2 – Protection System Maintenance is open through **8 p.m. Eastern on Monday, August 27, 2012**.

#### Instructions

Members of the ballot pool associated with this project may log in and submit their vote for the Standard by clicking <u>here</u>.

**Please read carefully:** All stakeholders with comments (both members of the ballot pool as well as other stakeholders, including groups such as trade associations and committees) must submit comments through the <u>electronic comment form</u>. During the ballot window, balloters who wish to submit comments with their ballot *may no longer enter comments on the balloting screen*, but may still enter the comments through the electronic comment form. Balloters who wish to express support for comments submitted by another entity or group will have an opportunity to enter that information and are not required to answer any other questions.

#### **Next Steps**

The drafting team will consider all comments received during the formal comment period and successive ballot and, if needed, make revisions to the standard. If the comments do not show the need for significant revisions, the standard will proceed to a recirculation ballot.

### **Background**

The proposed PRC-005-2 — Protection System Maintenance standard addresses FERC directives from FERC Order 693, as well as issues identified by stakeholders. In accordance with the FERC directives, this draft standard establishes requirements for a time-based maintenance program, where all relevant devices are maintained according to prescribed maximum intervals. It further establishes requirements for a condition-based maintenance program, where the hands-on maintenance intervals are adjusted to reflect the known and reported condition of the relevant devices. For a performance-based maintenance program, it ascertains where the hands-on maintenance intervals are adjusted to reflect the historical performance of the relevant devices.

Documents for this project are posted on the project page.



# **Standards Development Process**

The <u>Standards Processes Manual</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.

For more information or assistance, please contact Monica Benson, Standards Process Administrator, at monica.benson@nerc.net or at 404-446-2560.

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