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## Standards Announcement

### Standards Authorization Request (SAR) Comment and Drafting Team Nomination Periods Open Project 2009-03 Emergency Operations

Now available at: [http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/Project2009-03\\_Emergency\\_Operations.html](http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/Project2009-03_Emergency_Operations.html)

#### **Nominations for SAR Drafting Team (through December 18, 2009)**

The Standards Committee is seeking industry experts to serve on the Emergency Operations SAR Drafting Team (see project background below). The SAR drafting team will assist the requester in further developing the SAR and considering stakeholder comments.

If you are interested in serving on this SAR drafting team, please complete the following electronic nomination form by **December 18, 2009**: <https://www.nerc.net/nercsurvey/Survey.aspx?s=f518d336e6d640188ab1e3c37099b8b6>

#### **Comment Period (through January 15, 2010)**

The Standards Committee has posted a proposed SAR for a 30-day comment period **ending on January 15, 2010**.

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

#### **Project Background**

This project involves reviewing and revising the following four standards to eliminate redundancy, identify requirements that should be moved, eliminate requirements that do not support bulk power system reliability, improve clarity and measurability, and remove ambiguity:

- EOP-001 — Emergency Operations Planning
- EOP-002 — Capacity and Energy Emergencies
- EOP-003 — Load Shedding Plans
- IRO-001 — Reliability Coordination — Responsibilities and Authorities

The three EOP standards may be merged into a single standard, and there are some requirements in IRO-001 that may be improved and merged into the new EOP standard. The development may include other improvements to the standards deemed appropriate by the drafting team, with the consensus of stakeholders, consistent with establishing high quality, enforceable, and technically sufficient bulk power system reliability standards.

The project will require close coordination with two other drafting teams. The Operations Communications Protocols drafting team is working on a set of requirements for a new standard (COM-003-1) that references the use of Alert Levels, including those alert levels included in EOP-002-2. The Reliability Coordination SDT is working on a set of revisions to IRO-001-1 that includes retirement of several requirements.

Project page: [http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/Project2009-03\\_Emergency\\_Operations.html](http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/Project2009-03_Emergency_Operations.html)

#### **Standards Development Process**

The [Reliability Standards Development Procedure](#) 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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