

# Standards Announcement

## Revisions to Outstanding VRFs and VSLs

### Non-binding Poll Results

#### [Now Available](#)

A non-binding poll for the project to revise outstanding VRFs and VSLs closed on Tuesday, October 23, 2012. The poll was extended two additional business days past the original poll closing date in order to ensure that quorum was reached. NERC staff thanks stakeholders for their feedback.

Voting statistics for the non-binding poll are listed below, and the [Ballot Results](#) webpage provides a link to the detailed results.

Ballot	Results
Revisions to Outstanding VRFs and VSLs	Quorum: 78.57% Approval: 73.02%

#### Next Steps

NERC staff will review the comments submitted, revise the VRFs and VSLs and/or their justifications accordingly, and determine whether to post the VRFs and VSLs for a second non-binding poll or prepare them for presentation to the Board of Trustees.

#### Background

NERC standards, legal, and enforcement staff have been working in coordination with FERC staff to review a set of VRF and VSL assignments for possible revision or further justification. In general, the VRFs and VSLs require revision in order to reflect the NERC and FERC VRF and VSL guidelines finalized between 2007 and 2009. FERC staff identified VRFs and VSLs in need of modification or further justification and presented them to NERC staff, offering a chance for review and modification before the Commission issues a final order.

Both VRFs and VSLs are typically posted with standards and subject to review periods and non-binding polls. Because these VRF and VSL changes are not associated with active standards projects, this separate non-binding poll was conducted to provide an opportunity for their review by stakeholders.

## Standards Development Process

The [Standards Processes Manual](#) 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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