

July 27, 2007

TO: REGISTERED BALLOT BODY

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Announcement: Pre-ballot Window and Ballot Pool Open July 27, 2007

The Standards Committee (SC) announces the following standards action:

Pre-ballot Window and Ballot Pool for Interpretation of BAL-003-0 Requirements R2, R2.2, R5, and R5.1 both Open July 27, 2007

The Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT) submitted a <u>Request for an Interpretation</u> of BAL-003-0 — Frequency Response and Bias Requirements 2, 2.2, 5, and 5.1. The request asked if there was a conflict between Requirement 2, which allows use of a variable bias setting and Requirement 5, which does not specifically address the use of a variable bias setting.

The <u>Interpretation</u> clarifies that in reliability standard BAL-003-0, Requirements 2 and 5 do not conflict with one another.

A new <u>ballot pool</u> to vote on this interpretation has been formed and will remain open up until 8 a.m. (EDT) Monday, August 27, 2007. During the pre-ballot window, members of the ballot pool may communicate with one another by using their "ballot pool list server." The list server for this ballot pool is: <u>bp-bp_interpret_bal-003_in@nerc.com</u>

The initial ballot for this interpretation will begin at 8 a.m. (EDT) on Monday, August 27, 2007.

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. If you have any questions, please contact me at 813-468-5998 or <u>maureen.long@nerc.net</u>.

Sincerely,

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