

## Standards Announcement

### Project 2014-03 Revisions to TOP and IRO Standards

**Formal Comment Period Now Open through July 2, 2014**  
**Ballot Pools Forming Now through June 17, 2014**

#### **Upcoming:**

Ballots and Non-Binding Polls: June 23 – July 2, 2014

#### **Now Available**

A 45-day formal comment period for the **TOP/IRO Reliability Standards** is open through **8 p.m. Eastern on Wednesday, July 2, 2014**. The join ballot pool windows are currently open through **8 p.m. Eastern on Tuesday, June 17, 2014**.

If you have questions please contact [Ed Dobrowolski](#) via email or by telephone at (609) 947-3673.

Background information for this project can be found on the [project page](#).

#### **Instructions for Commenting**

Please use the [electronic form](#) to submit comments on the standards. If you experience any difficulties in using the electronic form, please contact [Wendy Muller](#). An off-line, unofficial copy of the comment form is posted on the [project page](#).

#### **Instructions for Joining Ballot Pool**

Two ballot pools are being formed for Project 2014-03 – one for the TOP and IRO Reliability Standards and one for the associated non-binding polls on this project. Registered Ballot Body members must join the ballot pools to be eligible to vote in the balloting and submittal of an opinion for the non-binding poll of the associated Violation Risk Factors (VRFs) and Violation Severity Levels (VSLs). Registered Ballot Body members may join the ballot pools at the following page: [Join Ballot Pool](#)

During the pre-ballot window, members of the ballot pool may communicate with one another by using their “ballot pool list server.” (Once the balloting begins, ballot pool members are prohibited from using the ballot pool list servers.) The list servers for this project are:

**Ballot:** [bp-2014-03 TOP/IRO STDS in@nerc.com](mailto:bp-2014-03 TOP/IRO STDS in@nerc.com)

**Non-Binding Poll:** [bp-2014-03 TOP/IRO NB in@nerc.com](mailto:bp-2014-03 TOP/IRO NB in@nerc.com)

#### **Next Steps**

Ballots for the standards and non-binding polls of the associated VRFs and VSLs will be conducted **June 23 – July 2, 2014**.



For more information on the **Standards Development Process**, please refer to the [Standard Processes Manual](#).

*For more information or assistance, please contact [Wendy Muller](#),  
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