



NORTH AMERICAN ELECTRIC RELIABILITY COUNCIL

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April 4, 2006

TO: REGISTERED BALLOT BODY

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Announcement Comment Periods, Ballot Pool, and Drafting Team Self-nominations Open April 4

The Standards Authorization Committee (SAC) announces the following standards actions:

Reliability Standards Process Manual Posted for 45-day Comment Period (April 4–May 18, 2006)

The [Reliability Standards Process Manual](#) was revised to align with NERC's electric reliability organization application and to make modifications based on 'lessons learned'. Several of the changes are to 'basic tenets' and, in accordance with the latest version of the *Reliability Standards Process Manual*, must go through a full review and approval process. Please use the [comment form](#) to provide comments on the changes to the manual.

One of the proposed changes to the reliability standards process is to move the responsibility for development of compliance information from standard drafting teams to the compliance program. The proposed [Compliance Elements Development Process](#) and an associated [comment form](#) are posted for review and comment.

Nominations for Reliability Standards Process Manual Drafting Team Open (April 4–18, 2006)

The SAC is soliciting drafting team members to respond to stakeholder comments on the proposed changes to the *Reliability Standards Process Manual*. If you are interested in volunteering for this drafting team, please submit the [nomination form](#) by April 18, 2006.

Ballot Pool for Reliability Standards Process Manual Open (April 4)

A [ballot pool](#) has been created in anticipation of voting on the proposed changes to the *Reliability Standards Procedure Manual*. The ballot pool is available for any ballot body member to join until the respective ballot is opened.

Two Phase III & IV Standards Posted for 30-day Comment Period (April 4–May 3, 2006)

Two of the [Phase III & IV](#) standards were revised based on stakeholder comments and are being re-posted for a fourth comment period. Please use the [comment form](#) to provide comments on these two standards:

[PRC-002-1](#) Define Regional Disturbance Monitoring and Reporting Requirements requires regions to establish requirements for installation of disturbance monitoring equipment and reporting of disturbance data to facilitate analyses of events.

[PRC-018-1](#) Disturbance Monitoring Equipment Installation and Data Reporting requires entities to install Disturbance Monitoring Equipment and report disturbance data to facilitate analyses of events.

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One SAR Posted for 30-day Comment Period (April 4–May 3, 2006)

A revised SAR for [Frequency Response](#) is posted for a 30-day comment period. The SAR proposes adding requirements to ensure frequency of the Interconnections remains above underfrequency load shedding set points during transient periods following the sudden loss of generation. Please use the [comment form](#) to provide comments on this SAR.

Standards Development Process

The NERC posting and balloting procedures are described in the [Reliability Standards Process Manual](#), which 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.

Please send questions to Maureen Long at maureen.long@nerc.net, or call 813-468-5998.

Sincerely,

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