

February 15, 2007

TO: REGISTERED BALLOT BODY

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Announcement
Three Pre-ballot Windows and Ballot Pools Open February 15, 2007

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

Pre-ballot Window and Ballot Pool for Balance Resources and Demand Standards Open February 15, 2007

The following [Balance Resources and Demand](#) standards are posted for a 30-day pre-ballot review:

- BAL-007-1 — Balance of Resources and Demand
- BAL-008-1 — Frequency and Area Control Error
- BAL-009-1 — Actions to Return Frequency to within Frequency Trigger Limits
- BAL-010-1 — Frequency Bias Settings
- BAL-011-1 — Frequency Limits

The ballot for the above set of standards also includes the Balance Resources and Demand [Implementation Plan](#). These standards require entities to maintain interconnection scheduled frequency within a predefined frequency profile under all conditions (i.e., normal and abnormal) to prevent unwarranted load shedding and to prevent frequency-related cascading collapse of the interconnected grid.

A new [ballot pool](#) to vote on this set of standards has been formed and will remain open until 8 a.m. (EST) Monday, March 19, 2007. (The ballot pool used to ballot these standards during the fall of 2006 has been dissolved.) 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 called: bp-bal_resources_demand_in@nerc.com

The initial ballot for this set of standards will be conducted from 8 a.m. (EST) on Monday, March 19 through 8 p.m. (EST) on Friday, March 30, 2007.

Pre-ballot Window and Ballot Pool for Nuclear Plant Interface Coordination Standard (NUC-001) both Open February 15, 2007

The [Nuclear Plant Interface Coordination](#) standard is posted for a 30-day pre-ballot review. The ballot for this standard also includes the Nuclear Plant Interface Coordination [Implementation Plan](#). This standard requires coordination between nuclear plant generator operators and transmission entities to ensure safe operation and shutdown of nuclear plants. The drafting team will hold a Webcast to provide highlights of this standard on March 8 from 1–3 p.m. EST.

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The initial ballot for this standard will be conducted from 8 a.m. (EST) on Monday, March 19 through 8 p.m. (EST) on Friday, March 30, 2007.

Pre-ballot Window and Ballot Pool for Urgent Action SAR to modify Coordinate Interchange Standards (INT-005, INT-006, and INT-008) both Open February 15, 2007

An [Urgent Action SAR](#) for Modifications to Timing Tables in the following Coordinate Interchange standards is posted for a 30-day pre-ballot review.

INT-005-2 — Interchange Authority Distributes Arranged Interchange

INT-006-2 — Response to Interchange Authority

INT-008-2 — Interchange Authority Distributes Status

This Urgent Action SAR will correct an error in the timing table that appears in all three standards. Under some conditions, the error in the timing table doesn't give reliability entities within the Western Electricity Coordinating Council enough time to conduct a reliability-related review of e-tags.

A new [ballot pool](#) to vote on the modifications to these standards has been formed and will remain open until 8 a.m. (EST), Monday, March 19, 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 called: bp-ua_sar_int_in@nerc.com.

The initial ballot for this set of standards will be conducted from 8 a.m. (EST) on Monday, March 19 through 8 p.m. (EST) on Friday, March 30, 2007.

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

Sincerely,

Maureen E. Long

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