

Standards Announcement

Project 2007-17 Protection System Maintenance and Testing Recirculation Ballot and Non-binding Poll Results

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A recirculation ballot on PRC-005-2 Protection System Maintenance and a concurrent non-binding poll of associated VRF and VSLs concluded on June 30, 2011.

Ballot Results for Revisions to PRC-005-2

Voting statistics are listed below, and the <u>Ballot Results</u> Web page provides a link to the detailed results:

Quorum: 82.97 % Approval: 64.76 %

Non-binding Poll Results for Associated VRF and VSLs

Of those who registered to participate, 52.63% provided an opinion or an abstention; 60% of those who provided an opinion indicated support for the VRFs and VSLs that were proposed.

Next Steps

The drafting team will review comments submitted with the recirculation ballot as well as comments submitted during the formal comment period and successive ballot that concluded May 13, 2011 to determine whether to revise the standard. If the drafting team makes substantive revisions, the standard will be posted for a 30-day formal comment period with a successive ballot conducted during the final 10 days of the comment period.

Background:

The proposed PRC-005-2 – Protection System Maintenance standard addresses FERC directives from FERC Order 693, as well as issues identified by stakeholders. In accordance with the FERC directives, this draft standard establishes requirements for a time-based maintenance program, where all relevant devices are maintained according to prescribed maximum intervals. It further establishes requirements for a condition-based maintenance program, where the hands-on maintenance intervals are adjusted to reflect the known and reported condition of the relevant devices. For a performance-based maintenance program, it ascertains where the hands-on maintenance intervals are adjusted to reflect the historical performance of the relevant devices.

Standards Process

The <u>Standard Processes Manual</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.

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