

Standards Announcement

Project 2009-01 Disturbance and Sabotage Reporting

Recirculation Ballot and Non-Binding Poll Open Through 8 p.m. Friday,
November 2, 2012

Now Available

A recirculation ballot of **EOP-004-2 – Event Reporting** and a non-binding poll of the associated VRFs/VSLs is open through **8 p.m. Eastern on Friday, November 2, 2012**

After considering stakeholder comments from the formal comment period and successive ballot that ended on September 27, 2012, the drafting team made no substantive changes to the Requirements of the standard, but did make a clarifying change to Requirement R2 concerning the 24-hour reporting obligation to provide flexibility for support staff to assist with after-the-fact reporting. In addition, the team provided clarification in the Guideline and Technical Basis concerning how the standard is intended to apply to Distribution Providers who do not own BES Facilities, and to clarify that entities registered for multiple functions will only need to submit a single report of an individual event.

Finally, in response to stakeholder comments, the drafting team has revised the VSLs for Requirement R1 to provide gradation in the VSL for failure to incorporate one or more event types in the entity's Operating Plan. **NOTE: Although the drafting team was not required to conduct an additional non-binding poll of the VSLs, they would like to gauge industry support for the VSLs as modified, and therefore, a non-binding poll of the VRFs and VSLs is being conducted in conjunction with the recirculation ballot.**

Instructions

In the recirculation ballot, votes are counted by exception. Only members of the ballot pool may cast a ballot; all ballot pool members may change their previously cast votes. A ballot pool member who failed to cast a ballot during the last ballot window may cast a ballot in the recirculation ballot window. If a ballot pool member does not participate in the recirculation ballot, that member's vote cast in the previous ballot will be carried over as that member's vote in the recirculation ballot.

Members of the ballot pools associated with this project may log in and submit their votes and opinions for the standard and VSL changes by clicking [here](#).

Next Steps

The drafting team plans to submit EOP-004-2 to the Board of Trustees for adoption in November and then file the adopted standard with the appropriate regulatory authorities.

Background

The DSR SDT has developed EOP-004-2 to replace the current mandatory and enforceable EOP-004-1 and CIP-001-1a standards. The reporting obligations under EOP-004-2 serve to provide input to the NERC Events Analysis Program. Analysis of events is not required under the proposed standard and any analysis or investigation will fall under the Event Analysis Program under the NERC Rules of Procedure.

Additional information is available on the [project page](#).

Standards Process

The [Standard Processes Manual](#) 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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