

Standards Announcement

Ballot Pool and Pre-ballot Window

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Revised Interpretation of EOP-001-0 Requirement R1 for Regional Entity Compliance Managers (Project 2008-09)

The **revised** interpretation of EOP-001-0 Requirement R1 for the Regional Entity Compliance Managers is posted for a 30-day pre-ballot review. Registered Ballot Body members may join the ballot pool to be eligible to vote on these revisions **until 8 a.m. EST on February 26, 2009**.

After the initial ballot, the drafting team made some significant modifications to clarify the interpretation. We continued to a recirculation ballot in error – because the modifications were significant, the revised interpretation should have been posted for a new 30-day pre-ballot review. This posting corrects that error, and a new ballot will be conducted following the 30-day pre-ballot window. The 30-day pre-ballot review includes the formation of a new ballot pool.

The revised interpretation uses the term “Adjacent Balancing Authority” as defined in the *NERC Glossary of Terms Used in Reliability Standards*. The changes to the interpretation are shown in the redline version of the interpretation posted for review.

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 server for this ballot pool is: bp-RFI_EOP-001-0_RECM_in.

Background

The Regional Entity Compliance Managers group submitted a request for interpretation for EOP-001-0 — Emergency Operations Planning Requirement R1. Under Requirement R1, the Balancing Authority must have operating agreements with adjacent Balancing Authorities that contain provisions for emergency assistance, including emergency assistance from remote Balancing Authorities. The request asked for the following clarifications:

- Define the scope and time horizon associated with “emergency assistance.”
- Does “adjacent Balancing Authority” mean one or all adjacent Balancing Authorities?
- What is a “remote Balancing Authority?”

- Does a Balancing Authority participating in a Reserve Sharing Group under BAL-002-0 need additional operating agreements to be compliant with EOP-001-0 Requirement R1

Project Page: http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/EOP-001-0_Interpretation_RECM.html

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.

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