

NERC Functional Model Demand Response Functions and Entities

Informal Comment Period Open February 13, 2012 – March 14, 2012

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The Functional Model Working Group (FMWG) is seeking industry comment on its “Report on Assessing the Need for Introducing Demand Response Functions and Entities.” The report is now available for review and comment on the Demand Response Functions and Entities project page for a **30-day** industry stakeholder review.

Background

In 2008, the FMWG set up a small advisory team to assess the need to create a Demand Response (DR) function and a DR entity. That advisory team concluded that such a function and related functional entity were not justified at that time. The advisory team also suggested that the FMWG reconsider the issue when developing Functional Model Version 5 (FM V5). The advisory team recommended consideration of assigning such functions and responsibilities to functions and entities already defined in the Functional Model.

The FMWG reconsidered the issue in its development of FM V5, and again concluded that there was no justification for defining a DR function and entity. The NERC Planning Committee approved the FM V5 at its December 8-9, 2009 meeting and requested the FMWG reassess the need to include a DR Functional Entity in the Functional Model Version 6.

In response to this request, the FMWG formed a Functional Model Demand Response Advisory Team (FMDRAT) in mid-2010. The FMDRAT assessed a number of key issues related to the role and reliability impacts of DR in the planning and operation horizons. This assessment is summarized in the FMDRAT “Report on Assessing the Need for Introducing Demand Response Functions and Entities to the NERC Reliability Functional Model.”

Instructions

Please use this [electronic form](#)² to submit comments. An off-line, unofficial copy of the comment form for administrative use is available on the project page.

Next Steps

The FMDRAT will consider the comments submitted and revise the report as appropriate. The report will then be presented to the standing committees for comments. The FMDRAT will revise the report as final, and submit it to the FMWG for acceptance and for forwarding to the Standards Committee for approval.

¹ http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/Demand_Response_Functions_and_Entities.html

² <https://www.nerc.net/nercsurvey/Survey.aspx?s=5b53a4f2e2cc4ba092c69ccb381772a1>

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