

## Standards Announcement

### Project 2010-14.1 Phase 1 of Balancing Authority Reliability-based Controls: Reserves

**Initial Ballot and Non-binding poll is now open through Monday, January 14, 2013**

#### [Now Available](#)

An initial ballot and non-binding poll for **BAL-012-1 – Operating Reserve Policy** is now open through 8 p.m. Eastern on **Monday, January 14, 2013**.

Phase 1 of Balancing Authority Reliability-based Controls: Reserves is comprised of four standards – BAL-001-1, BAL-002-2, BAL-012-1 and BAL-013-1. This initial ballot pertains to BAL-012-1 - Operating Reserve Policy. The remaining standards in this project will be addressed in a separate comment period and initial ballot.

#### **Instructions**

Members of the ballot pools associated with this project may log in and submit their vote for the standard and opinion in the non-binding poll of the associated VRFs and VSLs by clicking [here](#).

#### **Next Steps**

The ballot results will be announced and posted on the project page. The drafting team will consider all comments received during the formal comment period and, if needed, make revisions to the standard. If the comments do not show the need for significant revisions, the standard will proceed to a recirculation ballot.

#### **Background**

The NERC Standards Committee approved the merger of Project 2007-05 Balancing Authority Controls and Project 2007-18 Reliability-based Control as Project 2010-14 Balancing Authority Reliability-based Controls on July 28, 2010. The NERC Standards Committee also approved the separation of Project 2010-14 Balancing Authority Reliability-based Controls into two phases and moving Phase 1 (Project 2010-14.1 Balancing Authority Reliability-based Controls – Reserves) into formal standards development on July 13, 2011. The Project 2010-14.1 Phase 1 proposes revisions to BAL-001-0.1a Real Power Balancing Control Performance and BAL-002-1 Disturbance Control Performance. The project also proposes two new standards, BAL-012-1 Operating Reserve Policy and BAL-013-1 Large Loss of Load Performance. This posting will be for a formal comment period and initial ballot of BAL-012-1. This standard will address the FERC Order 693 Directive for development of a continent wide Contingency Reserve standard. The standard also proposes to require development of a policy for Regulating and Frequency Responsive Reserves.

The four standards within Project 2010-14.1 are an important part of the ERO's strategic goal to develop technically sufficient standards with requirements that provide clear and unambiguous performance expectations and reliability benefits.

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

### **Standards Development Process**

The [Standards 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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