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Project 2016-EPR-01 Enhanced Periodic Review of Personnel Performance, Training, and Qualifications Standards (PER)

**Do not** use this form for submitting comments. Use the [electronic form](https://sbs.nerc.net/) to submit comments on the **Project 2016-EPR-01 PER** project. The electronic form must be submitted by **8 p.m. Eastern, Thursday, February 23, 2017**.

Documents and information about this project are available on the [Project 2016-EPR-01 PER](http://www.nerc.com/pa/Stand/Pages/Project-2016-EPR-01-Enhanced-Periodic-Review-of-Personnel-Performance,-Training,-and-Qualifications-Standards.aspx) page. If you have questions, contact Senior Standards Developer, [Darrel Richardson](mailto:darrel.richardson@nerc.net) (via email) or at (609) 613-1848.

# Background

This periodic review project will review the following three PER standards:

* PER-001-0.2 – Operating Personnel Responsibility and Authority;
* PER-003-1 – Operating Personnel Credentials; and
* PER-004-2 – Reliability Coordination – Staffing.

The PER periodic review team (PER PRT) will use the background information, along with any associated worksheets or reference documents (such as the Independent Expert Review Project report, and Paragraph 81 criteria) to guide a comprehensive review that results in a recommendation from one of the following three choices:

1. Recommend re-affirming the standard;
2. Recommend revising the standard; or
3. Recommend retirement of the standard.

If the PER PRT recommends a revision to, or a retirement of, the standard, it must also submit a Standard Authorization Request to the Standards Committee outlining the proposed scope and technical justification for the revision or retirement.

PER-001-0.2 was initially included in this project. However, the standard was subsequently approved for retirement under FERC Order 817. Therefore this project will only review PER-003-1 and PER-004-2.

## Questions

1. The PER PRT recommends that a clarifying footnote be added to PER-003-1 to ensure that stakeholders (now and in the future) understand (i) the connection between the Standard and the NERC System Operator Certification Program Manual; and (ii) that the certifications referenced under PER-003-1 are those under the NERC System Operator Certification Program. Do you agree with the recommendation?If not, please explain in the comment area below.

Yes

No

Comments:

1. The PER PRT recommends that PER-004-2 be retired. The PER PRT believes that the requirements in PER-004-2 are duplicative with several other standards as outlined in the PER-004-2 EPR template. Do you agree with the recommendation?If not, please explain in the comment area below.

Yes

No

Comments: