

# Standards Announcement

## Project 2017-01 Modifications to BAL-003-1.1

Formal Comment Period Open through January 17, 2019  
Ballot Pools Forming through January 2, 2019

### Now Available

A 45-day formal comment period for **Project 2017-01 Modifications to BAL-003-1.1**, is open through **8 p.m. Eastern, Thursday, January 17, 2019**.

### Commenting

Use the [Standards Balloting and Commenting System \(SBS\)](#) to submit comments. If you experience issues navigating the SBS, contact [Linda Jenkins](#). An unofficial Word version of the comment form is posted on the [project page](#).

- *If you are having difficulty accessing the SBS due to a forgotten password, incorrect credential error messages, or system lock-out, contact NERC IT support directly at <https://support.nerc.net/> (Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Eastern).*
- *Passwords expire every **6 months** and must be reset.*
- *The SBS **is not** supported for use on mobile devices.*
- *Please be mindful of ballot and comment period closing dates. We ask to **allow at least 48 hours** for NERC support staff to assist with inquiries. Therefore, it is recommended that users try logging into their SBS accounts **prior to the last day** of a comment/ballot period.*

### Next Steps

Initial ballots for the Standard and Implementation Plan, along with non-binding polls for the associated Violation Risk Factors and Violation Severity Levels, will be conducted **January 8 – January 17, 2019**.

For more information on the Standards Development Process, refer to the [Standard Processes Manual](#).

For more information or assistance, contact Standards Developer, [Laura Anderson](#) (via email) or at (404) 446-9671.

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