

Regional Reliability Standards Announcement

Western Electricity Coordinating Council VAR-501-WECC-3

Comment Period Open through January 25, 2017

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The Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) has requested NERC to post Regional Reliability Standards **VAR-501-WECC-3 – Power System Stabilizer** for industry review and comment as permitted by the NERC Rules of Procedure.

Commenting

Use the [electronic form](#) to submit comments. If you experience any difficulties in using the electronic form, contact [Mat Bunch](#). The form must be submitted by **8 p.m. Eastern, Wednesday, January 25, 2017**. An unofficial Word version of the comment form is posted on the [Regional Reliability Standards Under Development](#) page.

Regional Reliability Standards Development Process

Section 300 of [NERC's Rules of Procedures of the Electric Reliability Organization](#) governs the regional reliability standards development process.

Background

The WECC Regional Reliability Standard Drafting Team was charged to address a [Standard Authorization Request](#), in which the following changes to WECC's Power System Stabilizer (PSS) program were proposed:

1. Update and codify WECC's PSS program;
2. Establish a minimum design-criteria for installation of new PSS-related equipment;
3. Standardize tuning procedures for that equipment; and
4. Identify those facilities to which the PSS applies,

Although the technical aspects of this Regional Reliability Standard have been vetted through WECC's Regional Standards development process, the final approval process for a Regional Reliability Standard requires NERC publicly to notice and request comment on the criteria outlined in the [comment form](#). Documents and information about this project are available on the [WECC's Standards Under Development](#) page.

For more information or assistance, contact Reliability Standards Analyst, [Mat Bunch](#) (via email) or at (404) 446-9785.

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