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Standards Announcement

Successive Formal Comment Period Open

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Now available at:

http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/Project2010-10_FAC_Order_729.html

Project 2010-10: FAC Order 729

A 30-day formal comment period for the proposed standard, FAC-013-2 – Planning Transfer Capability and its associated implementation plan is now open **until 8 p.m. Eastern on January 8, 2011.**

Instructions

Please use this [electronic form](#) to submit comments on FAC-013-2 and its associated implementation plan. If you experience any difficulties in using the electronic form, please contact Monica Benson at Monica.Benson@nerc.net.

Documents for this project, including an off-line unofficial copy of the questions listed in the comment forms are posted at the following site:

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Note that the changes from the last approved version of FAC-013-1 to the proposed FAC-013-2 are so extensive that developing a redline to show the changes is not practical. The drafting team combined FAC-012-1 and FAC-013-1 into a single proposed standard, FAC-013-2. For reference, the last approved versions of FAC-013-1 and FAC-013-1 have been posted on the project's Web page for easy reference at:

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Next Steps – Successive Ballot and New, Non-binding Poll of VRFs and VSLs

During the last 10 days of the 30-day formal comment period, a successive ballot will be conducted for 10 days. All members of the ballot pool must cast a new ballot since the votes and comments from the last ballot will not be carried over. In addition, members of the ballot pool will need to cast a new opinion on the revised VRFs and VSLs. The drafting team will consider all comments (those submitted with a comment form, and those submitted with a ballot or with the non-binding poll) and will determine whether to make additional changes to the standard and its implementation plan.

Project Background

The proposed standard addresses FERC directives from FERC Order 729 as well as stakeholder comments received during an initial formal comment period and ballot. In Order 729, FERC ruled that the ATC standards developed in Project 2006-07 did not completely address the topics covered in FAC-012 and -013 and did not fully address the associated directives from Order 693. Accordingly, FERC denied the portions of the implementation plan that would have retired these standards, and instead directed NERC to use the standards

development process to make changes to the FAC standards and file those changes with FERC no later than 60 days prior to the effective date of the standards, which is April 1, 2011 (requiring the proposed changes to be filed on or before January 31, 2011).

Applicability of Standards in Project

Planning Coordinators

Standards Development Process

The [Standard 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. For more information or assistance, please contact Monica Benson at monica.benson@nerc.net.

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