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Standards Announcement

Standards Authorization Request (SAR)

Ballot Pool and Pre-ballot Window (with Comment Period)

Project 2010-11: TPL Table 1, Footnote B

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TPL Table 1, Footnote B SAR (Project 2010-11)

The Standards Committee, in response to a FERC Order issued March 18, 2010, has posted a proposed SAR, four draft standards, TPL-001-1, TPL-002-1b, TPL-003-1a, and TPL-004-1, and an implementation plan, for a simultaneous pre-ballot review and 40-day comment period. The only change proposed in each of the four standards is to Table 1, Footnote 'b'.

The Order requires the ERO to file the revised standards by June 30, 2010. To meet this due date, the Standards Committee approved the following deviation from the standards development process:

- The proposed changes to the standards will be posted for a 40-day comment period. The Ballot Pool will be formed during the first 30 days of the 40-day comment period;
- The initial ballot will be conducted during the last 10 days of the 40-day comment period; and
- The drafting team may make modifications to the footnote between the initial and recirculation ballots based on stakeholder comments to improve the overall quality of the footnote.

Ballot Pool (through May 17, 2010)

Registered Ballot Body members may join the ballot pool to be eligible to vote on this interpretation **until 8 a.m. EDT on May 17, 2010**.

During the pre-ballot window, members of the ballot pool may communicate with one another by using their "ballot pool list server." (Once the balloting begins, ballot pool members are prohibited from using the ballot pool list servers.) The list server for this ballot pool is: [bp-2010-11_TPL_SAR_in](#)

Comment Period (through May 25, 2010)

Please use this [electronic form](#) to submit comments. If you experience any difficulties in using the electronic form, please contact Lauren Koller at 609-524-7047.

The status, purpose, a clean and redline version of the four standards, and supporting documents for this project — including an off-line, unofficial copy of the questions listed in the comment form — are posted at the following site: http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/Project2010-11_TPL_Table-1_Order.html

Project Background:

The Assess Transmission Future Needs Standard Drafting Team (Project 2006-02) has developed a clarification to TPL Table 1 — footnote 'b' concerning the loss of load and handling of firm transfers when a single contingency occurs on the transmission system.

The drafting team is proposing the following revision to footnote 'b': No interruption of firm Load is allowed except: (1) Interruption of Load that is directly served by the elements that are removed from service as a result of the Contingency, or (2) Planned or controlled interruption of Load supplied by Transmission Facilities made temporarily radial as a result of the Contingency and where that Load must be interrupted to meet performance requirements only on those now radial Transmission Facilities.

On the firm transfer issue, the drafting team developed the following clarification:

No curtailment of Firm Transmission Service is allowed except when coupled with the appropriate re-dispatch of resources obligated to re-dispatch where it can be demonstrated that Facilities remain within applicable Facility Ratings and those adjustments do not result in the shedding of any firm Load. Where Facilities external to the Transmission Planner's planning region are relied upon, Facility Ratings in those regions should also be respected.

Since this clarification may present a different interpretation of footnote 'b' than the one presently used by some entities, the SDT is proposing a 60 month implementation plan to allow those entities time to react.

Standards Development Process

The [Reliability Standards Development Procedure](#) 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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