

Standards Announcement Recirculation Ballot Window Open Project 2010-13 – Relay Loadability Order 733 February 24-March 6, 2011

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A recirculation ballot for PRC-023-2 – Transmission Relay Loadability is open **until 8 p.m. (Eastern) on March 6, 2011.**

Instructions

Members of the ballot pool associated with this project may log in and submit their votes from the following page: https://standards.nerc.net/CurrentBallots.aspx

In the recirculation ballot, votes are counted by exception. Only members of the ballot pool may cast a ballot; all ballot pool members may change their prior votes. A ballot pool member who failed to cast a ballot during the last ballot window may cast a ballot in the recirculation ballot window. If a ballot pool member does not participate in the recirculation ballot, that member's last vote cast in the successive ballot that ended on February 14, 2011 will be carried over and used to determine if there are sufficient affirmative votes for this standard to pass.

This is an extremely important ballot as NERC is responding to a set of FERC directives that require submitting modifications to PRC-023-1 by March 18, 2011. We encourage all members of the ballot pool to review the revised standard and the drafting team's consideration of the comments submitted with the last ballot. The team made the following changes following the initial ballot, in support of stakeholder comments:

- Modified the applicability to clarify that the transmission lines and transformers that must have protection compliant with the standard are limited to those that are part of the BES and are selected by the Planning Coordinator. (Previously the applicability did not include the phrase "part of the BES.")
- Reformatted the presentation of the effective dates so that the dates are easier to comprehend
- Corrected footnote 5
- Revised M4 and M5 to clarify that attestations are acceptable forms of evidence
- Added another Severe VSL for R6 to cover the situation where an entity is totally noncompliant with the requirement
- Changed "supervisory elements" to "Phase overcurrent supervisory elements" for clarity in Attachment A

The drafting team will be holding a webinar to review the modifications made to the standard on Wednesday, March 2 from 1-2 pm (Eastern). The Standards Committee encourages all ballot body members to participate in this webinar.

Next Steps

Voting results will be posted and announced after the ballot window closes. This standard is scheduled to be submitted to the Board of Trustees on March 10, 2011, and filed for regulatory approval by March 18, 2011.

Project Background

When FERC issued Order 733, approving PRC-023-1 —Transmission Relay Loadability, it directed several changes to that standard and also directed development of one or more new standards within specified time periods. NERC filed for clarification and rehearing asking for clarity and an extension of time to address the directives; and the extension was granted but only applies to one of the directives. NERC is still required to file a revised standard that addresses several directives from Order 733 by March 18, 2011.

The SAR for Project 2010-13 subdivides the standard-development-related directives into three phases. Phase I addresses the specific directives from Order 733 that identified required modifications to various elements within PRC-023-1. Phase II addresses directives associated with development of a new standard to address generator relay loadabilty. Phase III addresses directives associated with writing requirements to address protective relay operations due to power swings.

Further details are available on the project page:

http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/SAR_Project%202010-13_Order%20733%20Relay%20Modifiations.html

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