

Standards Announcement

Project 2018-03 Standards Efficiency Review Retirements

45-day Formal Comment Period Open through April 12, 2019
Ballot Pools Forming through March 28, 2019

[Now Available](#)

A 45-day comment period is open for the **Project 2018-03 Standards Efficiency Review Retirements** until **8 p.m. Eastern, Friday, April 12, 2019**.

Commenting

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

Ballot Pools

Ballot pools are being formed through **8 p.m. Eastern, Thursday, March 28, 2019**. Registered Ballot Body members can join the ballot pools [here](#). **Note that there is a separate ballot for each of the standards, so it is necessary to join multiple pools in order to submit votes on the standards.**

- *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

A 10-day initial ballot for the standards (proposed for partial retirement) and non-binding polls of the associated Violation Risk Factors and Violation Severity Levels, as well as ballots for the standards proposed for complete retirement and a standard proposed for withdrawal, will be conducted **April 3-12, 2019**.

For 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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