

Updated Regional Reliability Standards

Announcement

MOD-026-2 and MOD-027-2
(WECC Variance)

Comment Period Open through **September 23, 2016**

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The Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) has requested NERC to post Regional Reliability Standards **MOD-026-2** and **MOD-027-2 – Modeling, Data, and Analysis (WECC Variance)** 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, Friday, September 23, 2016**. 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

WECC requested that NERC post the following two documents for industry review and comment in accordance with the NERC Rules of Procedure:

- MOD-026-2, Verification of Models and Data for Generator Excitation Control System or Plant Volt/VA Control Functions – with WECC Regional Variance
- MOD-027-2, Verification of Models and Data for Turbine/Governor and Load Control or Active Power/Frequency Control Function – with WECC Regional Variance

The two documents were posted for 45-day comment November 13 - December 28, 2015 and the comments received can be viewed [here](#). In the first posting, a reference to “ten-years” was intended to be changed to “five-years”, but it was overlooked. This posting corrects that oversight.

Without these variances, an entity can use flawed generator modeling practices and still be in alignment with the requirements of MOD-026-1 and MOD-027-1, leaving questions of credibility of certain generator models. As a result, entities could plan their systems based on models whose veracity

has never been determined. Use of these acceptable-yet-flawed practices creates inaccuracies in the WECC model databases. As a result, reliability is at risk without the variances.

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