

## A. Introduction

1. **Title:** **Reliability Coordination — Operations Planning**
2. **Number:** IRO-004-2
3. **Purpose:** Each Reliability Coordinator must conduct next-day reliability analyses for its Reliability Coordinator Area to ensure the Bulk Electric System can be operated reliably in anticipated normal and Contingency conditions. System studies must be conducted to highlight potential interface and other operating limits, including overloaded transmission lines and transformers, voltage and stability limits, etc. Plans must be developed to alleviate System Operating Limit (SOL) and Interconnection Reliability Operating Limit (IROL) violations.
4. **Applicability**
  - 4.1. Balancing Authorities.
  - 4.2. Transmission Operators.
  - 4.3. Transmission Service Providers.
5. **Effective Date:** In those jurisdictions where no regulatory approval is required, the standard shall become effective on the latter of either April 1, 2009 or the first day of the first calendar quarter, three months after BOT adoption.

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## B. Requirements

- R1. Each Transmission Operator, Balancing Authority, and Transmission Service Provider shall comply with the directives of its Reliability Coordinator based on the next day assessments in the same manner in which it would comply during real time operating events.

## C. Measures

- M1. None

## D. Compliance

### 1. Compliance Monitoring Process

Entities will be selected for an on-site audit at least every three years. For a selected 30-day period in the previous three calendar months prior to the on site audit, Reliability Coordinators will be asked to provide documentation showing that next-day reliability analyses were conducted each day to ensure the bulk power system could be operated in anticipated normal and Contingency conditions; and that they identified potential interface and other operating limits including overloaded transmission lines and transformers, voltage and stability limits, etc.

- 1.1. **Compliance Monitoring Responsibility**
- 1.2. **Compliance Monitoring Period and Reset Time Frame**
- 1.3. **Data Retention**
- 1.4. **Additional Compliance Information**

**2. Violation Severity Levels**

Requirement	Lower	Moderate	High	Severe
R1	The responsible entity failed to comply with the directives of its Reliability Coordinator based on the next day assessments in the same manner in which it would comply during real time operating events on one (1) occasion during a calendar month.	The responsible entity failed to comply with the directives of its Reliability Coordinator based on the next day assessments in the same manner in which it would comply during real time operating events on two (2) to three (3) occasions during a calendar month.	The responsible entity failed to comply with the directives of its Reliability Coordinator based on the next day assessments in the same manner in which it would comply during real time operating events on four (4) to five (5) occasions during a calendar month.	The responsible entity failed to comply with the directives of its Reliability Coordinator based on the next day assessments in the same manner in which it would comply during real time operating events on more than five (5) occasions during a calendar month.

**E. Regional Variances**

**Version History**

<b>Version</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Change Tracking</b>
0	April 1, 2005	Effective Date	New
0	August 8, 2005	Removed “Proposed” from Effective Date	Errata
1		Replaced Levels of Non-compliance with the February 28, 2008 BOT approved Violation Severity Levels Retired R1 through R6, and associated Measures, Data Retention, and VSLs	Revision
2	October 17, 2008	Adopted by NERC Board of Trustees	Revision
2	March 17, 2011	FERC Order issued approving IRO-004-2 (Clarification issued on July 13, 2011)	Revision