

Implementation Plan

Project 2007-02 - Operating Personnel Communications Protocols

Implementation Plan for COM-003-1 – Operating Personnel Communications Protocols Standard

Approvals Required

COM-003-1 – Operating Personnel Communications Protocols Standard

Prerequisite Approvals

None

Revisions to Glossary

The following term is proposed for addition to the NERC Glossary of Terms:

Operating Instruction — Command from a System Operator to change or preserve the state, status, output, or input of an Element of the Bulk Electric System or Facility of the Bulk Electric System.

Applicable Entities

Balancing Authority
Distribution Provider
Generator Operator
Reliability Coordinator
Transmission Operator

Revisions or Retirements to Approved Standards

Approved Requirement to be Retired	Proposed Replacement Requirement(s)
<p>COM-001-1.1 Requirement R4</p> <p>R4. Unless agreed to otherwise, each Reliability Coordinator, Transmission Operator, and Balancing Authority shall use English as the language for all communications between and among operating personnel responsible for the real-time generation control and operation of the interconnected Bulk Electric System. Transmission Operators and Balancing Authorities may use an alternate language for internal operations</p>	<p>COM-003-1 Requirement R1 Part 1.1</p> <p>R1. Each Balancing Authority, Distribution Provider, Generator Operator, Reliability Coordinator, and Transmission Operator shall have documented communications protocols that incorporate the following:</p> <p>1.1. Use of the English language when issuing an oral or written Operating Instruction between functional entities, unless another language is mandated</p>

	<p>by law or regulation. Transmission Operators and Balancing Authorities may use an alternate language for internal operations.</p>
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Conforming Changes to Other Standards

None

Effective Dates

COM-003-1 shall become effective the first day of first calendar quarter, 12 calendar months following applicable regulatory approval; or, in those jurisdictions where no regulatory approval is required, the first day of the first calendar quarter 12 calendar months from the date of Board of Trustee adoption.

COM-001-1.1 Requirement R4 shall expire midnight of the day immediately prior to the Effective Date of COM-001-2 in the particular Jurisdiction in which COM-001-2 is becoming effective.