

Standards Announcement

Project 2007-12 Frequency Response

Successive Ballot and Non-Binding Poll Open Through 8 p.m. Monday,
November 5, 2012

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A successive ballot of **BAL-003-1 – Frequency Response and Frequency Bias Setting** and a non-binding poll of the associated VRFs/VSLs is open through **8 p.m. Eastern on Monday, November 5, 2012.**

Instructions

Members of the ballot pools associated with this project may log in and submit their vote for the Standard and opinion in the non-binding poll of the associated VRFs and VSLs by clicking [here](#).

Please read carefully: All stakeholders with comments (both members of the ballot pool as well as other stakeholders, including groups such as trade associations and committees) must submit comments through the [electronic comment form](#). During the ballot window, balloters who wish to submit comments with their ballot *may no longer enter comments on the balloting screen*, but may still enter the comments through the electronic comment form. **Balloters who wish to express support for comments submitted by another entity or group will have an opportunity to enter that information and are not required to answer any other questions.**

Next Steps

The drafting team will consider all comments received during the formal comment period and successive ballot and, if needed, make revisions to the standards. If the comments do not show the need for significant revisions, the standard will proceed to a recirculation ballot.

Background

Frequency Response, a measure of an Interconnection's ability to stabilize frequency immediately following the sudden loss of generation or load, is a critical component to the reliable operation of the bulk power system, particularly during disturbances and restoration. The proposed standard's intent is to collect data needed to accurately analyze existing Frequency Response, set a minimum Frequency Response obligation, provide a uniform calculation of Frequency Bias Settings that transition to values closer to Frequency Response, and encourage coordinated AGC operation. There is evidence of continuing decline in Frequency Response over the past 10 years, but no confirmed reason for the apparent decline. The proposed standard requires entities to provide data so that Frequency Response in each of the Interconnections can be analyzed, and the reasons for the decline in Frequency Response

can be identified. Once Frequency Response has been analyzed and confirmed, requirements can be modified to maintain reliability.

Additional information is available on the [project page](#).

Standards Process

The [Standard Processes Manual](#) contains all the procedures governing the standards development process. The success of the NERC standards development process depends on stakeholder participation. We extend our thanks to all those who participate.

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