

Standards Announcement

Project 2010-11– TPL Table 1 Order
TPL-002-1c, footnote 'b' and TPL-001-2a, footnote 12

Formal Comment Period Open: October 5 – November 19, 2012

Upcoming
Initial Ballot: November 9 – November 19, 2012

Now Available

A formal comment period for a revisions to a single footnote that is incorporated into two standards (**TPL-002-1c**– System Performance Following Loss of a Single BES Element as footnote 'b', and **TPL-001-2a** – Transmission System Planning Performance Requirements as footnote 12) is open through **8 p.m. Eastern on Monday, November 19, 2012.**

Please note that, aside from the proposed revisions to the footnote and changes to conform the Enforcement Dates section to the current language approved by NERC Legal to cover all of the jurisdictions in which NERC standards are mandatory, no other revisions have been made to either standard. The scope of the drafting team's assignment is limited to addressing changes to the single footnote.

Instructions for Joining Ballot Pool(s)

Registered Ballot Body members must join the ballot pool to be eligible to vote in balloting of a footnote that is included in standard **TPL-002-1c** as footnote 'b', **TPL-001-2a** as footnote 12. Registered Ballot Body members may join the ballot pool at the following page: [Join Ballot Pool](#)

During the pre-ballot window, members of the ballot pool may communicate with one another by using the "ballot pool list server." (Once the balloting begins, ballot pool members are prohibited from using the ballot pool list server.) The ballot pool list server for this ballot pool is: bp-2010-11_TPL_ftb_in@nerc.com

The ballot pool is open **through 8 a.m. Eastern on Monday, November 5, 2012.**

Instructions for Commenting

A formal comment period is open through **8 p.m. Eastern on Monday, November 19, 2012.** Please use this [electronic form](#) to submit comments. If you experience any difficulties in using the electronic

form, please contact Monica Benson at monica.benson@nerc.net. An off-line, unofficial copy of the comment form is posted on the [project page](#).

Next Steps

A single initial ballot for the footnote in both standards will be conducted Friday, November 9, 2012 through 8 p.m. Monday, November 19, 2012.

Background

FERC Order No. 762, issued April 19, 2012, remanded TPL-002-0b to NERC as vague, unenforceable and not responsive to the previous Commission directives on this matter. The Standards Committee directed the Standards Drafting Team (SDT) to revise footnote 'b' in accordance with the directives of Orders No. 693 and 762. The SDT was also charged with revising the corresponding footnote 12 of TPL-001-2 in order to prevent the remand of TPL-001-2.

In revising the footnotes, the SDT adopted a philosophy of minimal changes to the actual footnote itself. This was done to minimize confusion as to what was changed, for ease of reading and following the footnote, and for formatting within the actual standards documents. Instead, the SDT revised the footnote by developing an attachment to the footnote containing changes in response to the Commission orders. It should be noted that attachments to standards are an extension of the Requirements and thus are binding to applicable entities.

Project 2010-11 is an important part of the ERO's strategic goal to be responsive to regulatory authority directives in an expeditious manner in order to reduce the amount of standards-related directives and to provide an adequate level of reliability.

Additional information can be found on the [project page](#).

Standards Development Process

The [Standards 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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