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## Standards Announcement

Recirculation Ballot Window Open January 26-February 5, 2011

Project 2010-11 TPL Table 1 Order

Now available at: <https://standards.nerc.net/CurrentBallots.aspx>

A recirculation ballot window for standards TPL-001-1, TPL-002-1b, TPL-003-1a, and TPL-004-1 is open **until 8 p.m. Eastern on Saturday, February 5, 2011.**

### Instructions

Members of the ballot pool associated with this project may log in and submit their votes from the following page: <https://standards.nerc.net/CurrentBallots.aspx>.

### Ballot Process

The Standards Committee encourages all members of the ballot pool to review the consideration of comments submitted during the last ballot window. In the recirculation ballot, votes are counted by exception only — if a ballot pool member does not submit a revision to that member's original vote, the vote remains the same as in the first ballot. Members of the ballot pool may:

- Reconsider and change their votes from the first ballot
- Vote in the second ballot even if they did not vote on the first ballot
- Take no action if they do not want to change their original vote

### Additional Information

The Standard Processes Manual allows drafting teams to make changes following an initial or successive ballot with a goal of improving the quality of a standard, provided those changes do not alter the applicability or scope of the proposed standard. Following the initial ballot the Project 2010-11 made minor changes to the structure of footnote 'b' in all of the standards, and corrected capitalization of NERC Glossary terms. The standards (clean versions, and redlines against the last posted and last approved versions) have been posted on the [project page](#).

### Next Steps

Voting results will be posted and announced after the ballot window closes. If approved, the standards and associated implementation plan will be submitted to the Board of Trustees.

### Background

FERC Order RM06-16-009 requires the ERO to clarify TPL-002-0, Table 1 - footnote 'b,' regarding the planned or controlled interruption of electric supply where a single contingency occurs on a transmission system and originally directed NERC to file the revised standards by June 30, 2010. To meet this directive, a proposed revision was posted for "Urgent Action" and balloted from May 17-27, 2010. The proposed revision

achieved a quorum (84%) and almost enough affirmative votes (64%) to achieve weighted segment approval; however many balloters provided comments indicating the need for additional modifications. Following the initial ballot, FERC extended the due date to March 31, 2011; thus the project is no longer considered “Urgent Action.”

Because Table 1 appears in TPL-001, TPL-002, TPL-003, and TPL-004, the change is reflected in all four standards:

- TPL-001-1 - System Performance Under Normal (No Contingency) Conditions (Category A)
- TPL-002-1b - System Performance Following Loss of a Single Bulk Electric System Element (Category B)
- TPL-003-1a - System Performance Following Loss of Two or More Bulk Electric System Elements (Category C)
- TPL-004-1 - System Performance Following Extreme Events Resulting in the Loss of Two or More Bulk Electric System Elements (Category D)

More details may be found on the project page:

[http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/Project2010-11\\_TPL\\_Table-1\\_Order.html](http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/Project2010-11_TPL_Table-1_Order.html)

### **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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