Unofficial Comment Form

Project 2013-04 Voltage and Reactive Control (VAR) Revisions

Please **DO NOT** use this form for submitting comments. Please use the [electronic form](https://www.nerc.net/nercsurvey/Survey.aspx?s=c645f86a592f47c9ae532b7c11d92eb1) to submit comments on the draft VAR-001-4 and VAR-002-3 standards. The electronic comment form must be completed by 8:00 p.m. ET by **Tuesday, September 3, 2013**.

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The project page may be accessed by [clicking here](http://www.nerc.com/pa/Stand/Pages/Project2013-04VoltageReactiveControl.aspx).

## Background Information

When the first versions of the VAR standards were approved in FERC Order No. 693,[[1]](#footnote-1) the Commission also issued FERC issued several directives with regard to how to improve the standard. Each of the outstanding directives are explained in detail in the technical white paper (see project page).

The informal consensus building for VAR began in February 2013. Specifically, the ad hoc group engaged stakeholders on how best to address the FERC directives, remove paragraph 81 candidates, and implement results-based approaches. A discussion of the ad hoc group’s consensus building and collaborative activities are also included in the technical white paper.

Based on stakeholder outreach, the VAR-001 and VAR-002 standards have been modified. The proposed VAR-001 answers most of the FERC directives from Order No. 693, and VAR-002 has been modified to address certain compliance issues today. This posting is soliciting comment on a pro forma standard and a Standard Authorization Request (SAR).

You do not have to answer all questions. Enter comments in simple text format. Bullets, numbers, and special formatting will not be retained.

## Question

1. Do you have any specific questions or comments relating to the scope of the proposed pro forma standard or SAR?

Yes

No

Comments:

2. Do you have any specific questions or comments relating to the requirements in the proposed pro forma standards?

Yes

No

Comments:

3. Do you have any issues with the proposed timeframes for the notification requirements in VAR-002 R2 and R3? If you propose different timeframes, please explain how a change in the timeframe will not create a reliability gap?

Yes

No

Comments:

4. During outreach, several issues pertaining to voltage coordination were discussed, as outlined in the ‘minority issues’ section of the technical white paper. However, those issues are not addressed because such issues are outside of the scope of this project. What suggestions do you have for improving voltage coordination between TOPs and GOPs? Is it appropriate to address this issue in a Standards project?

Comments:

1. *See Mandatory Reliability Standards for the Bulk-Power System,* Order No. 693, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,242, *order on reh’g*, Order No. 693-A, 120 FERC ¶ 61,053 (2007). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)