NPCC Members and Entities of the NERC Registered Ballot Body,

The NPCC Regional Standards Committee has reviewed the subject standard and related materials currently posted for an “Initial” Ballot through 8pm January 8th, 2016. The RSC and NPCC Staff have worked closely with the NERC Standard Drafting Team who developed this latest draft of the standard and we have effectuated important cost effective revisions to the standard, notably the recognition that some RAS are local in nature and not of any appreciable impact to the BES. As such, these local RAS should be treated differently than those whose potential impact due to misoperation or inadvertent operation represent a more significant reliability impact to the BES.

The RSC and NPCC Task Forces have not identified any further issues precluding support for this standard so NPCC recommends an **Affirmative** vote to accept the standard and a positive opinion for the non-binding poll.

Please contact me with any questions.

Thanks and Happy New Year to all,

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Reminder

Project 2010-05.3 Phase 3 of Protection Systems: Remedial Action Schemes (RAS)
PRC-012-2 and Proposed Definition of “Special Protection System”

Additional Ballot, Non-binding Poll, and Initial Ballot Open through January 8, 2016

Now Available

An additional ballot for PRC-012-2 – Remedial Action Schemes, a non-binding poll of the associated Violation Risk Factors (VRFs) and Violation Severity Levels (VSLs) and an initial ballot for the Proposed Definition of “Special Protection System” are open through 8 p.m. Eastern, Friday, January 8, 2016.

The standard drafting team’s considerations of the responses received from the last comment period are reflected in this draft of the standard.

Balloting
Members of the ballot pools associated with this project may log in and submit their votes for the standard, associated VRFs and VSLs, and definition by clicking here.

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Next Steps
The ballot results will be announced and posted on the project page. The drafting team will consider all comments received during the formal comment period and determine the next steps of the project.


For more information or assistance, contact Standards Developer, Al McMeekin (via email), or at (404) 446-9675.
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