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**Subject:** FW: NERC Standards Announcement Reminder | Project 2014-03 Revisions to TOP and IRO Standards TOP-001-3 | Additional Ballot Now Open through November 10, 2014  
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RSC Members,

The subject ballot is open through 8 pm November 10. I have attached the Redline version from the last posting for your convenience. This shortened additional ballot period (7 days) was a waiver to the process granted by the SC as a result of regulatory deadlines. As mentioned, some of the RSC participated in a review of the issues important to NPCC with the drafting team chair, David Souder from PJM. The issues pointed out to David remain and some have indicated they intent to not support the standard.

Two major issues remain:

- Reference to non-BES facilities-David was supposed to be checking with NERC legal and has not responded to us. The concern is a jurisdictional one and any non-BES facility should be reclassified BES through the Exception Process to include it rather than identify the need for a TOP to monitor such facilities, especially if outside of the TOP's area.
- No requirement setting any expectation that a deficient TOP takes comparable action when asking adjacent TOPs to take actions (i.e. a deficient TOP asking an adjacent TOP to shed load when they haven't already taken such action.

The drafting team was responsive to a number of our concerns, i.e. replacing "ensure" with "address" and adjusting Time Horizons. I would also like to remind folks there is a regulatory deadline associated with this standard and it is to be filed with the Commission by January 31, 2015. Recognizing this deadline, the outreach, and attempt to address our comments, as the Regional Entity I plan on casting an **Affirmative** vote at this time. The issues above I do agree are important however do not represent a reliability risk and are of a jurisdictional nature. Additionally, as noted on the call, the TOPs in the northeast work well with their neighbors so I am comfortable that adjacent TOP actions will be coordinated and fairly conducted.

Please let me know your voting position or if you would like to discuss this further. We can set up a call on Friday morning if necessary.

Thanks,

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## Standards Announcement

### Reminder

## Project 2014-03 Revisions to TOP and IRO Standards TOP-001-3

**Additional Ballot and Non-Binding Poll Now Open through November 10, 2014**

#### [Now Available](#)

An additional ballot for **TOP-001-3 – Transmission Operations** and a non-binding poll of the associated Violation Risk Factors (VRFs) and Violation Severity Levels (VSLs) are open through **8 p.m. Eastern, Monday, November 10, 2014.**

The Standards Committee (SC) approved a request to shorten the comment period for draft standard TOP-001-3 from 45 days to 30 calendar days, with an additional ballot and non-binding poll of the associated VRFs and VSLs to be conducted during the last 7 days of the comment period. The notice of waiver request documents presented to the SC for consideration are posted on the [project page](#).

#### **Instructions for Balloting**

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

**Note:** If a member cast a vote in the initial ballot, that vote will not carry over to the additional ballot. It is the responsibility of the registered voter in the ballot pool to cast a vote again in the additional ballot. To ensure a quorum is reached, if you do not want to vote affirmative or negative, please cast an abstention.

## 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, if needed, make revisions to the standard and post it for an additional ballot. If the comments do not show the need for significant revisions, the standard will proceed to a final ballot.

For information on the **Standards Development Process**, please refer to the [Standard Processes Manual](#).

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