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NPCC Members and Entities of the NERC Registered Ballot Body,

The NPCC Regional Standards Committee has reviewed the subject project and associated standards currently posted for an "Initial" Ballot through **8pm November 13, 2017**. There have been no major issues identified as of this time. NPCC staff has been involved with the development of the standard and supports the approach the drafting team is proposing. In addition, we have representatives of ISO-NE and IESO on the team. The project harmonizes the various System Operating Limit issues and proposes the following standard actions for industry consideration:

- Retirement of FAC-010-3 "System Operating Limits in the Planning Horizon" –The SDT determined that the latest version of TPL-001-4 addresses the concerns with planning and SOLs and clearly identifies the necessary performance requirements needed to support reliability. This retirement also proposes to eliminate redundancy with other FAC, TOP and TPL standards as well as eliminates the requirement for PCs to have an SOL methodology that may differ from that of the RC, hence the creation of FAC-015-1. The important remaining issues regarding planning assessments not addressed in these other standards have been rewritten into a new standard-FAC-015-1. The result is that FAC-010-3 is no longer needed. A list of standards affected by this proposed retirements may be found at http://www.nerc.com/pa/Stand/Project%20201509%20Establish%20and%20Communicate%20System%20Op/2015-09_FAC-010-3_Retirement_Impacts_Clean_092717.pdf
- Revision of FAC-011-4 "System Operating Limits in the Operations Horizon"- RC is responsible for ensuring that SOLs established by the TOP, are consistent with the RC's SOL Methodology and that the TOP establishes those SOLs in accordance with the RC's Methodology. This is an improvement and avoids confusion and does not affect the TO's ability to derive his facility ratings.
- Revision of FAC-014- "Establish and Communicate System Operating Limits" The SDT also sufficiently addressed the Directive in Order 777 to ensure that there was a requirement to for the RCs to communicate IROL information and facilities critical to the derivation of the IROL is communicated to the TOPs.
- New FAC-015-1 "Coordination of Planning Assessments with the Reliability Coordinators SOL Methodology" The standard included requirements to ensure that the PC implements processes in its planning that use equally or more limiting voltage and stability limits in accordance with the RC's SOL methodology.

The NPCC Regional Standards Committee and NPCC as the Regional Entity support the proposed standards and recommend an **AFFIRMATIVE** ballot and **Positive** opinion on the non-binding poll. NPCC RSC believes the SDT addressed the Directives in the FERC Order and the standards are an improvement that will benefit reliable operation and support proper coordination of SOLs and their communications for planning assessments. If you have any questions please contact me.

Thanks,

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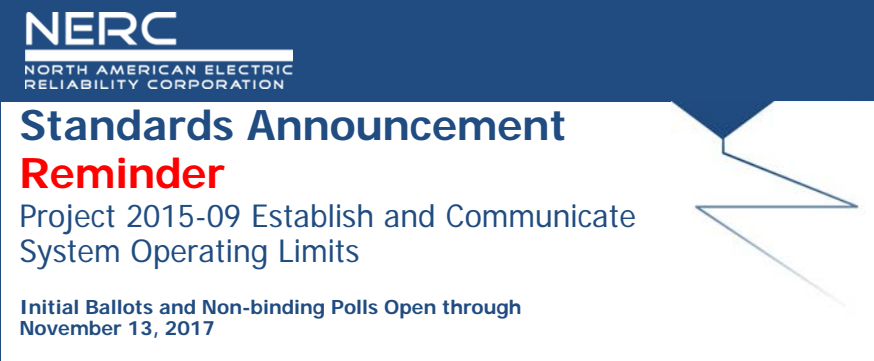
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Reminder

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Now Available

Initial ballots and non-binding polls of the associated Violation Risk Factors and Violation Severity Levels are open through **8 p.m. Eastern, Monday, November 13, 2017** for the following standards, implementation plan and proposed definition:

1. **FAC-011-4** – System Operating Limits Methodology for the Operations Horizon;
2. **FAC-014-3** – Establish and Communicate System Operating Limit;
3. **FAC-015-1** – Coordination of Planning Assessments with the Reliability Coordinator’s SOL Methodology;
4. **Implementation Plan**; and
5. **Proposed definition of System Voltage Limit.**

Balloting

Members of the ballot pools associated with this project can log in and submit their votes by accessing the Standards Balloting and Commenting System (SBS) [here](#). If you experience issues navigating the SBS, contact [Nasheema Santos](#).

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Next Steps

The ballot results will be announced and posted on the project page. The drafting team will review all responses received during the comment period and determine the next steps of the project.

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

For more information or assistance, contact either Senior Standards Developer, [Darrel Richardson](#) at (609) 613-1848 or [Al McMeekin](#) at (404) 446-9675.

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