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NPCC Members and Entities of the NERC Registered Ballot Body,

The NPCC Regional Standards Committee (RSC) has reviewed the subject standard and discussed issues related to the standard and ballot which is open through 8pm August 3, 2016 as noted below. The RSC has not reached a full consensus ballot position however the majority intend to support the standard. The major point precluding support for the standard is with R3 of IRO-002-5 (similarly R21 of TOP-001-4) which both require monthly testing of redundancy capability for data exchange capability. Some believe a quarterly test is more appropriate and sufficient to ensure functionality. There will be comment(s) submitted for this. As the NPCC Regional Entity, and in recognition that these revisions to the standards are in response to FERC Directives, we will be supporting that comment and also voting "Affirmative" in favor of the standard. The SDT should view any such change to extend periodicity as a non-substantive change and be receptive to making such change.

Please contact me with any questions.

Thanks,

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## Standards Announcement

### Reminder

Project 2016-01 Modifications to  
TOP and IRO Standards  
IRO-002-5 and TOP-001-4

**Initial Ballots and Non-binding Polls Open through August 3,  
2016**

## **Now Available**

Initial ballots for **IRO-002-5 - Reliability Coordination - Monitoring and Analysis** and **TOP-001-4 - Transmission Operations** and non-binding polls of the associated Violation Risk Factors and Violation Severity Levels are open through **8 p.m. Eastern, Wednesday, August 3, 2016**.

### **Balloting**

Members of the ballot pools associated with this project may log in and submit their votes for the standards and non-binding polls [here](#). If you experience any difficulties in using the electronic form, contact [Wendy Muller](#).

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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 Senior Standards Developer, [Mark Olson](#) (via email), or at (404) 446-9760.

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