



FERC, NERC, and Regional Activities

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Standards	Project	Action	End Date
FAC-008-5	Project 2018-03 Standards Efficiency Review Retirements	Comments and Ballot Close	01/13/2021
<p>Background:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Facilities Design, Connections, and Maintenance (FAC) standards fulfill an important reliability objective for determining and communicating System Operating Limits (SOLs) used in the reliable planning and operation of the Bulk Electric System (BES). This project was initiated to consider and implement the recommendations for Reliability Standard retirements (per the applicable SAR). The SDT proposed retiring Requirements R7 and R8 in FAC-008-3 as redundant and not needed for reliability. Proposed FAC-008-4 passed ballot and NERC BOT in May 2019. ➤ On September 17, 2020, FERC issued Order No. 873. With respect to proposed FAC-008-4, FERC determined that the retirement of Requirement R7 would be appropriate, but rejected the retirement of Requirement R8 (R8 is needed to ensure that limiting and next limiting equipment is identified and communicated). ➤ Proposed Reliability Standard FAC-008-5 would retire Requirement R7 of currently effective Reliability Standard FAC-008-3. 			

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MOD-026-1 MOD-027-1	<p data-bbox="290 287 1862 339"><u>Project 2020-06</u> Verifications of Models and Data for Generators SAR</p> <p data-bbox="290 401 596 454">Background:</p> <ul data-bbox="290 458 2002 1243" style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="290 458 2002 801">➤ The NERC Inverter-based Resource Performance Task Force (IRPTF) performed a comprehensive review of all NERC Reliability Standards to determine potential gaps. The IRPTF identified several issues as part of this effort and documented its findings and recommendations in a white paper. The “IRPTF Review of NERC Reliability Standards White Paper” was approved by the Operating Committee and the Planning Committee in March 2020. Among the findings noted in the white paper, the IRPTF identified issues with MOD-026-1 and MOD-027-1 that should be addressed. <li data-bbox="290 843 2002 1243">➤ MOD-026-1 and MOD-027-1 require, among other things, Generator Owners to provide dynamic models to their Transmission Planner for the purposes of power system planning studies. Both standards contain language that is specific to synchronous generators that is not applicable to IBRs. The IRPTF recommended revisions to clarify the applicable requirements for synchronous generators and IBRs. As such, the SAR proposes revisions to MOD-026-1 and MOD-027-1 to clarify requirements to IBRs and to require sufficient model verification to ensure accurate generator representation in dynamic simulations. 	<p data-bbox="2035 262 2275 405">Informal Comment Period</p> <p data-bbox="2035 462 2275 605">Drafting Team Nominations</p>	<p data-bbox="2290 262 2527 315">01/14/2021</p>

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Draft Guideline	<p><u>Performance, Modeling, and Simulations of BPS-Connected Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESSs) and Hybrid Power Plants Draft Reliability Guideline</u></p> <p>Background:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ The NERC Inverter-Based Resource Performance Working Group (IRPWG) developed the Performance, Modeling, and Simulations of BPS-Connected Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESSs) and Hybrid Power Plants Draft Reliability Guideline. The guideline also covers recommended modeling and study practices that should be considered by Transmission Planners and Planning Coordinators as they perform planning assessments with increasing numbers of BESSs and hybrid power plants in the interconnection study process, annual planning process, and for any specialized studies needed to ensure BPS reliability. The performance characteristics should be considered by all Generator Owners and developers seeking interconnection to the BPS, and Transmission Owners, Transmission Planners, and Planning Coordinators should consider adopting these recommendations in the interconnection requirements per NERC FAC-001 and FAC-002 standards. 	Comments via email	02/01/2021

- NERC
 - Extending work from home until June 2021
 - Extending [Self-Logging Program Expansion and Deferment of On-Site Activities](#) until June 30, 2021
 - Compliance Guidance Update: [TOP-001-4 & IRO-002-5 Data Exchange Infrastructure and Testing](#) (NERC OC)
 - [NERC Implementation Guidance and CMEP Practice Guides](#)
 - [2021 RISC Reliability Leadership Summit](#)
 - NERC filed with FERC a [petition](#) for approval of an errata to Standard FAC-001-3

- SERC
 - January 2021 [Newsletter](#)
 - 2021 Open Forum 1 [January 26, 2021](#)
 - ReliabilityFirst (RF)
 - Technical Talks with RF
 - [January 25, 2021](#)
 - February 22, 2021
 - March 15, 2021
- Both are one week later than normal to accommodate MLK Jr. Day and President's Day



U.S. Effective Dates of NERC Standards

Effective Date	Standards
April 1, 2021	FAC-002-3 Facility Interconnection Studies
	INT-006-5 Evaluation of Interchange Transactions
	INT-009-3 Implementation of Interchange
	IRO-002-7 Reliability Coordination – Monitoring & Analysis
	IRO-010-3 Reliability Coordinator Data Specification & Collection
	MOD-031-3 Demand and Energy Data
	MOD-033-2 Steady-State & Dynamic System Model Validation
	NUC-001-4 Nuclear Plant Interface Coordination
	PER-006-1 Specific Training for Personnel

Effective Date	Standards
April 1, 2021	PRC-004-6 Protection System Misoperation Identification and Correction
	PRC-006-4 Automatic Underfrequency Load Shedding
	PRC-027-1 Coordination of Protection System for Performance During Faults
	PRC-001-1 System Protection Coordination (retirement)
	TOP-001-5 Transmission Operations
	TOP-003-4 Operational Reliability Data
July 1, 2021	TPL-007-4 Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (R12 & R13)

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