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BEFORE THE
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**PETITION OF THE
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FOR APPROVAL OF PROPOSED RELIABILITY STANDARD MOD-028-2 –
AREA INTERCHANGE METHODOLOGY**

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The North American Electric Reliability Corporation (“NERC”)¹ hereby requests the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC” or the “Commission”) to approve, in accordance with Section 215(d)(1) of the Federal Power Act (“FPA”)² and Section 39.5 of the Commission’s regulations, 18 C.F.R. § 39.5 (2012), proposed standard MOD-028-2 as approved by the NERC Board of Trustees on February 9, 2012. The proposed Reliability Standard provides clarification to the currently effective MOD-028-1 standard on the timing and frequency of Total Transfer Capability (“TTC”) calculations needed for Available Transfer Capability (“ATC”) calculations.

By this petition, NERC is requesting approval of the following:

- approval of the proposed Reliability Standard which is included in **Exhibit B**, effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter after applicable regulatory approval or where no regulatory approval is required, on the first day of the first calendar quarter after Board approval.
- approval of the implementation plan for the proposed Reliability Standard which is included in **Exhibit C**;

¹ NERC has been certified by FERC as the electric reliability organization (“ERO”) in accordance with Section 215 of the Federal Power Act. The Commission certified NERC as the ERO in its order issued July 20, 2006 in Docket No. RR06-1-000. *North American Electric Reliability Corp.*, 116 FERC ¶ 61,062 (2006) (“ERO Certification Order”).

² 16 U.S.C. § 824o (2012).

- approval of the retirement of Reliability Standard, effective midnight immediately prior to the first day of the first calendar quarter after applicable regulatory approval or where no regulatory approval is required, on the first day of the first calendar quarter after Board approval.

I. EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The proposed Reliability Standard represents an improvement over the currently-effective Reliability Standard because it clarifies the timing and frequency of TTC calculations needed for ATC calculations. The MOD-028-1 standard originally referred to the current-day and next-day TTC values as “on-peak and off-peak intra-day and next day.” In order to clear up a misinterpretation that this required specific on-peak and off-peak load forecasts, Requirement R3 of the MOD-028-1 existing Reliability Standard was modified to clarify language regarding load forecasting, to indicate that for days two through 31, a daily load forecast is required (identical to the current standard); for months two through 13, a monthly load forecast is required (identical to the current standard); and for current-day and next-day, entities may use either a daily or hourly load forecast (the language being clarified). The new language clarifies and is consistent with the intent of the original requirement language, and does not materially change the standard.

II. NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

Notices and communications with respect to this filing may be addressed to the following:³

³ Persons to be included on the Commission’s service list are indicated with an asterisk. NERC requests waiver of the Commission’s rules and regulations to permit the inclusion of more than two people on the service list.

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III. BACKGROUND

a. Regulatory Framework

By enacting the Energy Policy Act of 2005,⁴ Congress entrusted the Commission with the duties of approving and enforcing rules to ensure the reliability of the Nation’s bulk power system, and with the duties of certifying an electric reliability organization (“ERO”) that would be charged with developing and enforcing mandatory Reliability Standards, subject to Commission approval. Section 215 of the FPA states that all users, owners, and operators of the bulk power system in the United States will be subject to Commission-approved Reliability Standards.⁵

Section 215(d)(5) of the FPA authorizes the Commission to order the ERO to submit a new or modified Reliability Standard. Pursuant to Section 215(d)(2) of the FPA and Section 39.5(c) of the Commission’s regulations, the Commission is required to give due weight to the technical expertise of the ERO with respect to the content of a

⁴ 16 U.S.C. § 824o (2012).

⁵ See Section 215(b)(1) (“All users, owners and operators of the bulk-power system shall comply with reliability standards that take effect under this section.”).

Reliability Standard. In Order No. 693, the Commission noted that it would defer to the “technical expertise” of the ERO with respect to the content of a Reliability Standard and explained that, through the use of directives, it provides guidance but does not dictate an outcome. Rather, it will consider an equivalent alternative approach proposed by the ERO provided that the ERO demonstrates that the alternative will address the Commission’s underlying concern or goal as efficiently and effectively as the Commission’s proposal, example, or directive.⁶

Section 39.5(a) of the Commission’s regulations requires the ERO to file with the Commission for its approval each Reliability Standard that the ERO proposes to become mandatory and enforceable in the United States, and each modification to a Reliability Standard that the ERO proposes to be made effective. The Commission has the regulatory responsibility to approve standards that protect the reliability of the bulk power system and to ensure that such standards are just, reasonable, not unduly discriminatory or preferential, and in the public interest.

Order No. 672 provides guidance on the factors the Commission will consider when determining whether proposed Reliability Standards meet the statutory criteria to ensure that they are just, reasonable, not unduly discriminatory or preferential and in the public interest. Each of those factors is addressed in **Exhibit A**.

b. NERC Reliability Standards Development Procedure

NERC develops Reliability Standards in accordance with Section 300 (Reliability Standards Development) of the NERC Rules of Procedure and the NERC Standard Processes Manual, which is Appendix 3A to the NERC Rules of Procedure. In its ERO

⁶ See *Mandatory Reliability Standards for the Bulk-Power System*, Order No. 693, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,242 at PP 31, 186-187, *order on reh’g*, Order No. 693-A, 120 FERC ¶ 61,053 (2007).

Certification Order, the Commission found that NERC’s proposed rules provide for reasonable notice and opportunity for public comment, due process, openness, and a balance of interests in developing Reliability Standards and thus satisfies certain of the criteria for approving Reliability Standards. The development process is open to any person or entity with a legitimate interest in the reliability of the bulk power system. NERC considers the comments of all stakeholders, and a vote of stakeholders and the NERC Board of Trustees is required to approve a Reliability Standard before the Reliability Standard is submitted to the Commission for approval.

IV. JUSTIFICATION FOR APPROVAL OF THE PROPOSED RELIABILITY STANDARD MOD-028-2

a. Basis and Purpose of Reliability Standard — MOD-028-2

The primary purpose of the proposed standard is to increase consistency and reliability in the development and documentation of Transfer Capability calculations for short-term use performed by entities using the Area Interchange Methodology to support analysis and system operations.

The currently effective MOD-028-1 Reliability Standard was filed on August 29, 2008 in Docket RM08-19-000 and approved by the Commission on November 24, 2009 in Order No. 729.⁷ The Modeling, Data, and Analysis Reliability Standards require certain users, owners, and operators of the bulk power system to develop consistent methodologies for the calculation of ATC or AFC. Three currently-effective NERC Reliability Standards –MOD-028-1, MOD-029-1, and MOD-030-2—address three different methodologies for calculating ATC, all of which produce predictable,

⁷*Mandatory Reliability Standards for the Calculation of Available Transfer Capability, Capacity Benefit Margins, Transmission Reliability Margins, Total Transfer Capability, and Existing Transmission Commitments and Mandatory Reliability Standards for the Bulk-Power System, Final Rule*, 129 FERC ¶ 61,155 (November 24, 2009).

sufficiently accurate, consistent, equivalent, and replicable results.⁸ MOD-028-1 describes the area interchange methodology for determining ATC. This Reliability Standard only applies to Transmission Operators and Transmission Service Providers that elect to implement this particular methodology as part of their compliance with MOD-001-1a, Requirement R1, which requires each Transmission Operator to calculate ATC or AFC for each ATC Path for those Facilities within its Transmission operating area using one of the three methodologies referenced above.

In May 2011, NERC received a request for interpretation from Florida Power & Light (FPL) of MOD-028-1, Requirement R3.1. FPL requested clarification of the timing and frequency TTC calculations needed for ATC calculations. At its July 2011 meeting, the NERC Standards Committee determined that the request could not be addressed through an interpretation, and that a modification to the standard may be necessary. The Standards Committee identified a way of using the existing standards development process to make a clarifying change to the standard in roughly the same amount of time required to develop and approve an interpretation. That is, the existing standards development process could be used, but the scope of standards development would be limited to a very specific change that was expected to meet with stakeholder consensus without the need for significant debate. In July 2011, the NERC Standards Committee approved, with FPL's consent, a recommendation to address FPL's request for interpretation through a minor revision to the MOD-028-1 Reliability Standard.

A standard drafting team was assembled for this project and directed by the Standards Committee to submit both a Standards Authorization Request (SAR) and proposed revisions to MOD-028-1 concurrently, addressing the issues raised in the

⁸ Order. No. 729 at P 51.

request for interpretation. Because the revisions are narrowly focused on addressing the clarification requested by FPL, the Standards Committee approved waiving the initial 30-day formal comment period and directed that the SAR and proposed revisions to the standard be posted for a 45-day parallel comment period and ballot.

b. Improvements to Standard in this Revision

The MOD-028-1 standard originally referred to the current-day and next-day TTC values as “on-peak and off-peak intra-day and next day.” However, this language was interpreted as requiring specific on-peak and off-peak load forecasts. In fact, the intent was to specify that for TTC used in current day and next-day ATC calculations, the load forecast used should be consistent with the period being calculated (*e.g.*, intra-day ATC calculations should not be based on a monthly load forecast).

To address these concerns, Requirement R3 of the MOD-028-1 standard is proposed to be modified to clarify language regarding load forecasting, to indicate that for days two through 31, a daily load forecast is required (identical to the current standard); for months two through 13, a monthly load forecast is required (identical to the current standard); and for current-day and next-day, entities may use either a daily or hourly load forecast (the language being clarified). The new language clarifies and is consistent with the intent of the original requirement language, and does not materially change the standard.

The VRFs for the MOD-028-2 standard are not proposed to be modified in this filing, and are pending action by FERC. However, one minor errata correction is proposed to the VSLs for Requirement R4 correcting an inadvertent reference to

Requirement R5. Other administrative modifications are proposed to the compliance elements of the standard to bring it into conformance with current guidelines.

c. Enforceability of the Proposed Reliability Standard

The proposed Reliability Standard contains measures that support each standard requirement by clearly identifying what is required and how the requirement will be enforced. The VSLs also provide further guidance on the way NERC will enforce the requirements of the standard.

i. Violation Risk Factors and Violation Severity Levels

Because the VRFs and VSLs were for the MOD-028-1 standard were either approved by or are pending before the Commission and remain unchanged in this proposed version 2 of the standard, NERC is not providing a comprehensive explanation in this filing regarding how each VRF and VSL meets Commission guidelines. For a list of the existing VRFs and VSLs, please see the MOD-028-2 standard in **Exhibit B**.

V. SUMMARY OF THE RELIABILITY STANDARD DEVELOPMENT PROCEEDINGS

The development record for the proposed MOD-028-2 Reliability Standard is summarized below. **Exhibit D** contains the Consideration of Comments Reports created during the development standard. **Exhibit E** contains the record of development for the proposed standard.

a. SAR Development

Project 2011-INT-01 was initiated on May 13, 2011, when FPL submitted a request for interpretation of Requirement R3.1 asking for clarification of the required performance and the conditions under which the performance of that requirement is

necessary. In July 2011, the NERC Standards Committee approved, with FPL's consent, the initiation of a standard develop project to address FPL's request for interpretation through a minor revision to the MOD-028-1 Reliability Standard.

b. Overview of the Standard Drafting Team

When evaluating proposed Reliability Standard, the Commission is expected to give "due weight" to the technical expertise of the ERO.⁹ The technical expertise of the ERO is derived from the SDT. For this project, the SDT consisted of five industry experts with approximately 60 years collective experience. Each individual is considered to be an expert in his field. Members of this standard drafting team provided a diversity of experience, ranging across North America, including both the continental United States and Canada. A detailed set of biographical information for each of the team members is included along with the SDT roster in **Exhibit F**.

c. The First Posting and Initial Ballot

The first draft of the proposed MOD-028-2 standard was posted from October 2, 2011 to November 16, 2011 for a concurrent comment and ballot period. NERC received 9 sets of comments including comments from 51 different individuals from approximately 43 companies representing all 10 industry segments. A majority of comments indicated that the changes made to the standard resolved the questions raised in the request for interpretation. Several commenters expressed concern over edits made to the compliance section of the standard. However, these changes are intended only to provide guidance on compliance with the standard and will not become mandatory and enforceable when the proposed MOD-028-2 Reliability Standard is approved by FERC. Several other comments questioned minor edits to the data retention section of the

⁹ Section 215(d)(2) of the Federal Power Act; 16 U.S.C. § 824o(d)(2) (2011).

standard. The paragraph that was added to the Data Retention section of the standard is intended to notify entities of this responsibility and is not specific to MOD-028-2; this paragraph is being added to all standards as they are revised.

The ballot period took place between November 7, 2011 and November 16, 2011. The standard received a quorum of 88.05% and an affirmative vote of 85.53%.

d. Recirculation Ballot

A recirculation ballot was held from December 12, 2011 to December 22, 2011. The standard received a 90.10% quorum and a 92.49% approval.

e. Board of Trustees Approval

The final draft of the proposed Reliability Standard was presented to the NERC Board of Trustees for approval on February 9, 2012. The Board of Trustees approved the proposed Reliability Standard, and NERC staff was authorized to file with applicable regulatory authorities.

VI. CONCLUSION

For the reasons set forth above, NERC respectfully requests that the Commission:

- approve the proposed MOD-028-2 Reliability Standard which is included in **Exhibit B**, effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter after applicable regulatory approval or where no regulatory approval is required, on the first day of the first calendar quarter after Board approval.
- approve the implementation plan for Reliability Standard MOD-028-2 which is included in **Exhibit C**;
- approve the retirement of the MOD-028-1 Reliability Standard, effective midnight immediately prior to the first day of the first calendar quarter after applicable regulatory approval or where no regulatory approval is required, on the first day of the first calendar quarter after Board approval.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that I have served a copy of the foregoing document upon all parties listed on the official service list compiled by the Secretary in this proceeding.

Dated at Washington, D.C. this 24th day of August, 2012.

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EXHIBIT A

Order No. 672 Criteria

In Order No. 672,¹⁰ the Commission identified a number of criteria it will use to analyze Reliability Standards proposed for approval to ensure they are just, reasonable, not unduly discriminatory or preferential, and in the public interest. The discussion below identifies these factors and explains how the proposed Reliability Standard has met or exceeded the criteria:

1. Proposed Reliability Standards must be designed to achieve a specified reliability goal and must contain a technically sound means to achieve that goal.¹¹

Proposed Reliability Standard MOD-028-2 is one of a suite of Reliability Standards (MOD-001-1, MOD-028-1, MOD-029-1 and MOD-030-1) that are designed to work together to ensure that Transmission Service Providers and Transmission Operators maintain awareness of available transmission system capability and future flows on their own systems as well as those of their neighbors. Historically, differences in implementations of ATC methodologies and a lack of coordination between

¹⁰ *Rules Concerning Certification of the Electric Reliability Organization; and Procedures for the Establishment, Approval, and Enforcement of Electric Reliability Standards*, Order No. 672, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,204, *order on reh'g*, Order No. 672-A, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,212 (2006).

¹¹ Order No. 672 at P 321. The proposed Reliability Standard must address a reliability concern that falls within the requirements of section 215 of the FPA. That is, it must provide for the reliable operation of Bulk-Power System facilities. It may not extend beyond reliable operation of such facilities or apply to other facilities. Such facilities include all those necessary for operating an interconnected electric energy transmission network, or any portion of that network, including control systems. The proposed Reliability Standard may apply to any design of planned additions or modifications of such facilities that is necessary to provide for reliable operation. It may also apply to Cybersecurity protection.

Order No. 672 at P 324. The proposed Reliability Standard must be designed to achieve a specified reliability goal and must contain a technically sound means to achieve this goal. Although any person may propose a topic for a Reliability Standard to the ERO, in the ERO's process, the specific proposed Reliability Standard should be developed initially by persons within the electric power industry and community with a high level of technical expertise and be based on sound technical and engineering criteria. It should be based on actual data and lessons learned from past operating incidents, where appropriate. The process for ERO approval of a proposed Reliability Standard should be fair and open to all interested persons.

Transmission Service Providers has resulted in cases where systems have been oversold, resulting in potential or actual System Operating Limit (SOL) and Interconnection Reliability Operating Limit (IROL) violations. This standard works to ensure that the occurrence of such scenarios is minimized by specifying the parameters of the Area Interchange Methodology such that ATC values closely match actual remaining system capability. The proposed MOD-028-2 standard adds clarity to one requirement of the currently-effective MOD-028-1 standard by ensuring that for TTCs used in current and next-day ATC calculations, the load forecast used is consistent with the period being calculated (*e.g.*, intra-day ATC calculations should not be based on a monthly load forecast).

2. Proposed Reliability Standards must be applicable only to users, owners and operators of the bulk power system, and must be clear and unambiguous as to what is required and who is required to comply.¹²

The MOD-028-2 Reliability Standard is applicable only to users, owners and operators of the bulk power system, and not others. The proposed standard applies to Transmission Operators and Transmission Service Providers, and the action required by the proposed standard is expressly stated.

3. A proposed Reliability Standard must include clear and understandable consequences and a range of penalties (monetary and/or non-monetary) for a violation.¹³

The VRFs and VSLs for MOD-028-2 were not altered during this revision of the standard from those assigned to MOD-028-1. The VRFS for MOD-028-1 are pending

¹² Order No. 672 at P 322. The proposed Reliability Standard may impose a requirement on any user, owner, or operator of such facilities, but not on others.

Order No. 672 at P 325. The proposed Reliability Standard should be clear and unambiguous regarding what is required and who is required to comply. Users, owners, and operators of the Bulk-Power System must know what they are required to do to maintain reliability.

¹³ Order No. 672 at P 326. The possible consequences, including range of possible penalties, for violating a proposed Reliability Standard should be clear and understandable by those who must comply.

before FERC in Docket No. RM08-19-002. One minor errata change was made to the VSL of Requirement R4 to correct an inadvertent reference to Requirement R5. For a list of the existing VRFs and VSLs, please see **Exhibit B**.

4. A proposed Reliability Standard must identify clear and objective criterion or measure for compliance, so that it can be enforced in a consistent and non-preferential manner.¹⁴

Each Requirement in the proposed MOD-028-2 Reliability Standard is supported by a measure that clearly identifies what is required and how the requirement will be enforced. These thirteen measures that will ensure the Requirements are clearly administered for enforcement in a consistent manner and without prejudice to any party were approved by the Commission in Order No. 749. Administrative modifications were made to the compliance elements of the proposed MOD-028-2 standard to bring it into conformance with current guidelines, but no substantive changes were made to these compliance elements.

5. Proposed Reliability Standards should achieve a reliability goal effectively and efficiently — but do not necessarily have to reflect “best practices” without regard to implementation cost or historical regional infrastructure design.¹⁵

The proposed Reliability Standard helps the industry achieve the stated reliability goal effectively and efficiently. While some entities may be required to modify their current implementation approach to comply with the standard, NERC does not believe that implementation costs will be unduly burdensome when considering the increase in

¹⁴ Order No. 672 at P 327. There should be a clear criterion or measure of whether an entity is in compliance with a proposed Reliability Standard. It should contain or be accompanied by an objective measure of compliance so that it can be enforced and so that enforcement can be applied in a consistent and non-preferential manner.

¹⁵ Order No. 672 at P 328. The proposed Reliability Standard does not necessarily have to reflect the optimal method, or “best practice,” for achieving its reliability goal without regard to implementation cost or historical regional infrastructure design. It should however achieve its reliability goal effectively and efficiently.

consistency and transparency expected through the implementation of the Area Interchange Methodology as presented.

6. Proposed Reliability Standards cannot be “lowest common denominator,” *i.e.*, cannot reflect a compromise that does not adequately protect Bulk-Power System reliability. Proposed Reliability Standards can consider costs to implement for smaller entities, but not at consequences of less than excellence in operating system reliability.¹⁶

The MOD-028-2 Reliability Standard does not reflect a “lowest common denominator” approach. The proposed standard represents an improvement over version 1 of the standard because it specifies that for TTCs used in current day and next-day ATC calculations, the load forecast used should be consistent with the period being calculated (*e.g.*, intra-day ATC calculations should not be based on a monthly load forecast).

The MOD-028-2 Reliability Standard will apply equally to all applicable entities in a consistent manner. While the proposed standard likely will result in some applicable entities being required to modify their systems to implement the methodology described within this standard, the standard does not impose requirements that are completely new or unfamiliar to the industry.

7. Proposed Reliability Standards must be designed to apply throughout North America to the maximum extent achievable with a single Reliability Standard while not favoring one geographic area or regional model. It should take into

¹⁶ Order No. 672 at P 329. The proposed Reliability Standard must not simply reflect a compromise in the ERO’s Reliability Standard development process based on the least effective North American practice — the so-called “lowest common denominator” — if such practice does not adequately protect Bulk-Power System reliability. Although FERC will give due weight to the technical expertise of the ERO, we will not hesitate to remand a proposed Reliability Standard if we are convinced it is not adequate to protect reliability.

Order No. 672 at P 330. A proposed Reliability Standard may take into account the size of the entity that must comply with the Reliability Standard and the cost to those entities of implementing the proposed Reliability Standard. However, the ERO should not propose a “lowest common denominator” Reliability Standard that would achieve less than excellence in operating system reliability solely to protect against reasonable expenses for supporting this vital national infrastructure. For example, a small owner or operator of the Bulk-Power System must bear the cost of complying with each Reliability Standard that applies to it.

account regional variations in the organization and corporate structures of transmission owners and operators, variations in generation fuel type and ownership patterns, and regional variations in market design if these affect the proposed Reliability Standard.¹⁷

NERC has developed the MOD-028-2 Reliability Standard to apply to all of North America.

8. Proposed Reliability Standards should cause no undue negative effect on competition or restriction of the grid beyond any restriction necessary for reliability.¹⁸

The proposed MOD-028-2 Reliability Standard has no undue negative effect on competition. It also does not unreasonably restrict ATC on the bulk power system beyond any restriction necessary for reliability and does not limit use of the bulk power system in an unduly preferential manner. It does not create an undue advantage for one competitor over another. The focus of the proposed Reliability Standard is to address only the reliability aspects of ATC and not to address the commercial aspects of available transmission system capability with the exception of ensuring commercial transmission availability closely matches actual remaining transmission capability.

9. The implementation time for the proposed Reliability Standard is reasonable.¹⁹

¹⁷ Order No. 672 at P 331. A proposed Reliability Standard should be designed to apply throughout the interconnected North American Bulk-Power System, to the maximum extent this is achievable with a single Reliability Standard. The proposed Reliability Standard should not be based on a single geographic or regional model but should take into account geographic variations in grid characteristics, terrain, weather, and other such factors; it should also take into account regional variations in the organizational and corporate structures of transmission owners and operators, variations in generation fuel type and ownership patterns, and regional variations in market design if these affect the proposed Reliability Standard.

¹⁸ Order No. 672 at P 332. As directed by section 215 of the FPA, FERC itself will give special attention to the effect of a proposed Reliability Standard on competition. The ERO should attempt to develop a proposed Reliability Standard that has no undue negative effect on competition. Among other possible considerations, a proposed Reliability Standard should not unreasonably restrict available transmission capability on the Bulk-Power System beyond any restriction necessary for reliability and should not limit use of the Bulk-Power System in an unduly preferential manner. It should not create an undue advantage for one competitor over another.

¹⁹ Order No. 672 at P 333. In considering whether a proposed Reliability Standard is just and reasonable, FERC will consider also the timetable for implementation of the new requirements, including how the proposal balances any urgency in the need to implement it against the reasonableness of the time allowed

The proposed effective date for the standard is just and reasonable and appropriately balances the urgency in the need to implement the standard against the reasonableness of the time allowed for those who must comply to develop necessary procedures, software, facilities, staffing or other relevant capability.

This will allow applicable entities adequate time to ensure compliance with the requirements. The proposed effective date is explained in the proposed Implementation Plan, attached as **Exhibit C**.

10. The Reliability Standard was developed in an open and fair manner and in accordance with the Commission-approved Reliability Standard development process.²⁰

The proposed Reliability Standard was developed in accordance with NERC's Commission-approved, ANSI- accredited processes for developing and approving Reliability Standards (for a more thorough review, please see the complete development history included as **Exhibit E**).

These processes included, among other things, multiple comment periods, pre-ballot review periods, and balloting periods. Additionally, all drafting team meetings were properly noticed and open to the public. The initial and recirculation ballots both achieved a quorum and exceeded the required ballot pool approval levels.

11. NERC must explain any balancing of vital public interests in the development of proposed Reliability Standards.²¹

for those who must comply to develop the necessary procedures, software, facilities, staffing or other relevant capability.

²⁰ Order No. 672 at P 334. Further, in considering whether a proposed Reliability Standard meets the legal standard of review, we will entertain comments about whether the ERO implemented its Commission-approved Reliability Standard development process for the development of the particular proposed Reliability Standard in a proper manner, especially whether the process was open and fair. However, we caution that we will not be sympathetic to arguments by interested parties that choose, for whatever reason, not to participate in the ERO's Reliability Standard development process if it is conducted in good faith in accordance with the procedures approved by FERC.

²¹ Order No. 672 at P 335. Finally, we understand that at times development of a proposed Reliability Standard may require that a particular reliability goal must be balanced against other vital public interests,

NERC does not believe there are competing public interests with respect to the request for approval of this proposed standard.

12. Proposed Reliability Standards must consider any other appropriate factors.²²

The proposed MOD-028-2 Reliability Standard satisfies the general criteria specified by the Commission. NERC is not proposing any additional factors for consideration to support adoption of the proposed standard.

such as environmental, social and other goals. We expect the ERO to explain any such balancing in its application for approval of a proposed Reliability Standard.

²² Order No. 672 at P 323. In considering whether a proposed Reliability Standard is just and reasonable, we will consider the following general factors, as well as other factors that are appropriate for the particular Reliability Standard proposed.

Exhibit B

Reliability Standard submitted for Approval

A. Introduction

1. **Title: Area Interchange Methodology**
2. **Number: MOD-028-2**
3. **Purpose:** To increase consistency and reliability in the development and documentation of Transfer Capability calculations for short-term use performed by entities using the Area Interchange Methodology to support analysis and system operations.
4. **Applicability:**
 - 4.1. Each Transmission Operator that uses the Area Interchange Methodology to calculate Total Transfer Capabilities (TTCs) for ATC Paths.
 - 4.2. Each Transmission Service Provider that uses the Area Interchange Methodology to calculate Available Transfer Capabilities (ATCs) for ATC Paths.
5. **Proposed Effective Date:** In those jurisdictions where regulatory approval is required, this standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter after applicable regulatory approval. In those jurisdictions where no regulatory approval is required, this standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter after Board of Trustees approval.

B. Requirements

- R1. Each Transmission Service Provider shall include in its Available Transfer Capability Implementation Document (ATCID), at a minimum, the following information relative to its methodology for determining Total Transfer Capability (TTC): [*Violation Risk Factor: Lower*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]
 - R1.1. Information describing how the selected methodology has been implemented, in such detail that, given the same information used by the Transmission Operator, the results of the TTC calculations can be validated.
 - R1.2. A description of the manner in which the Transmission Operator will account for Interchange Schedules in the calculation of TTC.
 - R1.3. Any contractual obligations for allocation of TTC.
 - R1.4. A description of the manner in which Contingencies are identified for use in the TTC process.
 - R1.5. The following information on how source and sink for transmission service is accounted for in ATC calculations including:
 - R1.5.1. Define if the source used for Available Transfer Capability (ATC) calculations is obtained from the source field or the Point of Receipt (POR) field of the transmission reservation
 - R1.5.2. Define if the sink used for ATC calculations is obtained from the sink field or the Point of Delivery (POD) field of the transmission reservation

- R4.3.** Include, for each time period, the Firm Transmission Service expected to be scheduled as specified in the ATCID (filtered to reduce or eliminate duplicate impacts from transactions using Transmission service from multiple Transmission Service Providers) for the Transmission Service Provider, all adjacent Transmission Service Providers, and any Transmission Service Providers with which coordination agreements have been executed modeling the source and sink as follows:
- If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and it is discretely modeled in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the discretely modeled point as the source.
 - If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can be mapped to an "equivalence" or "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the modeled equivalence or aggregate as the source.
 - If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point cannot be mapped to a discretely modeled point, an "equivalence," or an "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider from which the power is to be received as the source.
 - If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has not been identified in the reservation, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider from which the power is to be received as the source.
 - If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and it is discretely modeled in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the discretely modeled point shall as the sink.
 - If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can be mapped to an "equivalence" or "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the modeled equivalence or aggregate as the sink.
 - If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can not be mapped to a discretely modeled point, an "equivalence," or an "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider to which the power is to be delivered as the sink.
 - If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has not been identified in the reservation, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider to which the power is being delivered as the sink.

- R5.** Each Transmission Operator shall establish TTC for each ATC Path as defined below:
[Violation Risk Factor: Lower] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]
- R5.1.** At least once within the seven calendar days prior to the specified period for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations.
- R5.2.** At least once per calendar month for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.
- R5.3.** Within 24 hours of the unexpected outage of a 500 kV or higher transmission Facility or a transformer with a low-side voltage of 200 kV or higher for TTCs in effect during the anticipated duration of the outage, provided such outage is expected to last 24 hours or longer.
- R6.** Each Transmission Operator shall establish TTC for each ATC Path using the following process: *[Violation Risk Factor: Lower] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]*
- R6.1.** Determine the incremental Transfer Capability for each ATC Path by increasing generation and/or decreasing load within the source Balancing Authority area and decreasing generation and/or increasing load within the sink Balancing Authority area until either:
- A System Operating Limit is reached on the Transmission Service Provider’s system, or
 - A SOL is reached on any other adjacent system in the Transmission model that is not on the study path and the distribution factor is 5% or greater¹.
- R6.2.** If the limit in step R6.1 can not be reached by adjusting any combination of load or generation, then set the incremental Transfer Capability by the results of the case where the maximum adjustments were applied.
- R6.3.** Use (as the TTC) the lesser of:
- The sum of the incremental Transfer Capability and the impacts of Firm Transmission Services, as specified in the Transmission Service Provider’s ATCID, that were included in the study model, or
 - The sum of Facility Ratings of all ties comprising the ATC Path.
- R6.4.** For ATC Paths whose capacity uses jointly-owned or allocated Facilities, limit TTC for each Transmission Service Provider so the TTC does not exceed each Transmission Service Provider’s contractual rights.
- R7.** The Transmission Operator shall provide the Transmission Service Provider of that ATC Path with the most current value for TTC for that ATC Path no more than:
[Violation Risk Factor: Lower] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]
- R7.1.** One calendar day after its determination for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations.
- R7.2.** Seven calendar days after its determination for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.

¹ The Transmission operator may honor distribution factors less than 5% if desired.

- R8.** When calculating Existing Transmission Commitments (ETCs) for firm commitments (ETC_F) for all time periods for an ATC Path the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm: [*Violation Risk Factor: Lower*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]

$$ETC_F = NITS_F + GF_F + PTP_F + ROR_F + OS_F$$

Where:

NITS_F is the firm capacity set aside for Network Integration Transmission Service (including the capacity used to serve bundled load within the Transmission Service Provider’s area with external sources) on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

GF_F is the firm capacity set aside for Grandfathered Firm Transmission Service and contracts for energy and/or Transmission Service, where executed prior to the effective date of a Transmission Service Provider’s Open Access Transmission Tariff or safe harbor tariff on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

PTP_F is the firm capacity reserved for confirmed Point-to-Point Transmission Service.

ROR_F is the capacity reserved for roll-over rights for Firm Transmission Service contracts granting Transmission Customers the right of first refusal to take or continue to take Transmission Service when the Transmission Customer’s Transmission Service contract expires or is eligible for renewal.

OS_F is the firm capacity reserved for any other service(s), contract(s), or agreement(s) not specified above using Firm Transmission Service, including any other firm adjustments to reflect impacts from other ATC Paths of the Transmission Service Provider as specified in the ATCID.

- R9.** When calculating ETC for non-firm commitments (ETC_{NF}) for all time periods for an ATC Path the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm: [*Violation Risk Factor: Lower*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]

$$ETC_{NF} = NITS_{NF} + GF_{NF} + PTP_{NF} + OS_{NF}$$

Where:

NITS_{NF} is the non-firm capacity set aside for Network Integration Transmission Service (i.e., secondary service , including the capacity used to serve bundled load within the Transmission Service Provider’s area with external sources) reserved on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

GF_{NF} is the non-firm capacity reserved for Grandfathered Non-Firm Transmission Service and contracts for energy and/or Transmission Service, where executed prior to the effective date of a Transmission Service Provider’s Open Access Transmission Tariff or safe harbor tariff on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

PTP_{NF} is non-firm capacity reserved for confirmed Point-to-Point Transmission Service.

OS_{NF} is the non-firm capacity reserved for any other service(s), contract(s), or agreement(s) not specified above using Non-Firm Transmission Service, including any other firm adjustments to reflect impacts from other ATC Paths of the Transmission Service Provider as specified in the ATCID.

- R10.** When calculating firm ATC for an ATC Path for a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider shall utilize the following algorithm: [*Violation Risk Factor: Lower*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]

$$ATC_F = TTC - ETC_F - CBM - TRM + Postbacks_F + counterflows_F$$

Where:

ATC_F is the firm Available Transfer Capability for the ATC Path for that period.

TTC is the Total Transfer Capability of the ATC Path for that period.

ETC_F is the sum of existing firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

CBM is the Capacity Benefit Margin for the ATC Path during that period.

TRM is the Transmission Reliability Margin for the ATC Path during that period.

Postbacks_F are changes to firm ATC due to a change in the use of Transmission Service for that period, as defined in Business Practices.

counterflows_F are adjustments to firm ATC as determined by the Transmission Service Provider and specified in the ATCID.

- R11.** When calculating non-firm ATC for a ATC Path for a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm: [*Violation Risk Factor: Lower*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]

$$ATC_{NF} = TTC - ETC_F - ETC_{NF} - CBM_S - TRM_U + Postbacks_{NF} + counterflows_{NF}$$

Where:

ATC_{NF} is the non-firm Available Transfer Capability for the ATC Path for that period.

TTC is the Total Transfer Capability of the ATC Path for that period.

ETC_F is the sum of existing firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

ETC_{NF} is the sum of existing non-firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

CBM_S is the Capacity Benefit Margin for the ATC Path that has been scheduled without a separate reservation during that period.

TRM_U is the Transmission Reliability Margin for the ATC Path that has not been released for sale (unreleased) as non-firm capacity by the Transmission Service Provider during that period.

Postbacks_{NF} are changes to non-firm ATC due to a change in the use of Transmission Service for that period, as defined in Business Practices.

counterflows_{NF} are adjustments to non-firm ATC as determined by the Transmission Service Provider and specified in the ATCID.

C. Measures

- M1.** Each Transmission Service Provider shall provide its current ATCID that has the information described in R1 to show compliance with R1. (R1)
- M2.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence including the model used to calculate TTC as well as other evidence (such as Facility Ratings provided by facility owners, written documentation, logs, and data) to show that the modeling requirements in R2 were met. (R2)
- M3.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence, including scheduled outages, facility additions and retirements, (such as written documentation, logs, and data) that the data described in R3 and R4 were included in the determination of TTC as specified in the ATCID. (R3)
- M4.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide the contingencies used in determining TTC and the ATCID as evidence to show that the contingencies described in the ATCID were included in the determination of TTC. (R4)
- M5.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide copies of contracts that contain requirements to allocate TTCs and TTC values to show that any contractual allocations of TTC were respected as required in R4.2. (R4)
- M6.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as copies of coordination agreements, reservations, interchange transactions, or other documentation) to show that firm reservations were used to estimate scheduled interchange, the modeling of scheduled interchange was based on the rules described in R4.3, and that estimated scheduled interchange was included in the determination of TTC. (R4)
- M7.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as logs and data and dated copies of requests from the Transmission Service Provider to establish TTCs at specific intervals) that TTCs have been established at least once in the calendar week prior to the specified period for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations, at least once per calendar month for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations, and within 24 hours of the unexpected outage of a 500 kV or higher transmission Facility or a autotransformer with a low-side voltage of 200 kV or higher for TTCs in effect during the anticipated duration of the outage; provided such outage is expected to last 24 hours or longer in duration per the specifications in R5.(R5)
- M8.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as written documentation) that TTCs have been calculated using the process described in R6. (R6)
- M9.** Each Transmission Operator shall have evidence including a copy of the latest calculated TTC values along with a dated copy of email notices or other equivalent evidence to show that it provided its Transmission Service Provider with the most current values for TTC in accordance with R7. (R7)

- M10.** The Transmission Service Provider shall demonstrate compliance with R8 by recalculating firm ETC for any specific time period as described in (MOD-001 R2), using the algorithm defined in R8 and with data used to calculate the specified value for the designated time period. The data used must meet the requirements specified in MOD-028-2 and the ATCID. To account for differences that may occur when recalculating the value (due to mixing automated and manual processes), any recalculated value that is within +/- 15% or 15 MW, whichever is greater, of the originally calculated value, is evidence that the Transmission Service Provider used the algorithm in R8 to calculate its firm ETC. (R8)
- M11.** The Transmission Service Provider shall demonstrate compliance with R9 by recalculating non-firm ETC for any specific time period as described in (MOD-001 R2), using the algorithm defined in R9 and with data used to calculate the specified value for the designated time period. The data used must meet the requirements specified in MOD-028-2 and the ATCID. To account for differences that may occur when recalculating the value (due to mixing automated and manual processes), any recalculated value that is within +/- 15% or 15 MW, whichever is greater, of the originally calculated value, is evidence that the Transmission Service Provider used the algorithm in R8 to calculate its non-firm ETC. (R9)
- M12.** Each Transmission Service Provider shall produce the supporting documentation for the processes used to implement the algorithm that calculates firm ATCs, as required in R10. Such documentation must show that only the variables allowed in R10 were used to calculate firm ATCs, and that the processes use the current values for the variables as determined in the requirements or definitions. Note that any variable may legitimately be zero if the value is not applicable or calculated to be zero (such as counterflows, TRM, CBM, etc...). The supporting documentation may be provided in the same form and format as stored by the Transmission Service Provider. (R10)
- M13.** Each Transmission Service Provider shall produce the supporting documentation for the processes used to implement the algorithm that calculates non-firm ATCs, as required in R11. Such documentation must show that only the variables allowed in R11 were used to calculate non-firm ATCs, and that the processes use the current values for the variables as determined in the requirements or definitions. Note that any variable may legitimately be zero if the value is not applicable or calculated to be zero (such as counterflows, TRM, CBM, etc...). The supporting documentation may be provided in the same form and format as stored by the Transmission Service Provider. (R11)

D. Compliance

1. Compliance Monitoring Process

1.1. Compliance Enforcement Authority

For entities that do not work for the Regional Entity, the Regional Entity shall serve as the Compliance Enforcement Authority.

For functional entities that work for their Regional Entity, the ERO or a Regional Entity approved by the ERO and FERC or other applicable governmental authorities shall serve as the Compliance Enforcement Authority.

1.2. Data Retention

The following evidence retention periods identify the period of time an entity is required to retain specific evidence to demonstrate compliance. For instances where the evidence retention period specified below is shorter than the time since the last audit, the Compliance Enforcement Authority may ask an entity to provide other evidence to show that it was compliant for the full time period since the last audit.

The Transmission Operator and Transmission Service Provider shall keep data or evidence to show compliance as identified below unless directed by its Compliance Enforcement Authority to retain specific evidence for a longer period of time as part of an investigation:

- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain its current, in force ATCID and any prior versions of the ATCID that were in force since the last compliance audit to show compliance with R1.
- The Transmission Operator shall have its latest model used to calculate TTC and evidence of the previous version to show compliance with R2.
- The Transmission Operator shall retain evidence to show compliance with R3 for the most recent 12 months or until the model used to calculate TTC is updated, whichever is longer.
- The Transmission Operator shall retain evidence to show compliance with R4, R5, R6 and R7 for the most recent 12 months.
- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain evidence to show compliance in calculating hourly values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 14 days; evidence to show compliance in calculating daily values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 30 days; and evidence to show compliance in calculating monthly values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 60 days.
- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain evidence to show compliance with R10 and R11 for the most recent 12 months.
- If a Transmission Service Provider or Transmission Operator is found non-compliant, it shall keep information related to the non-compliance until found compliant.
- The Compliance Enforcement Authority shall keep the last audit records and all requested and submitted subsequent audit records.

1.3. Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Processes:

The following processes may be used:

- Compliance Audits
- Self-Certifications
- Spot Checking
- Compliance Violation Investigations
- Self-Reporting
- Complaints

1.4. Additional Compliance Information

None.

2. Violation Severity Levels

R #	Lower VSL	Moderate VSL	High VSL	Severe VSL
R1.	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing two of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing three of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing more than three of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements)
R2.	<p>The Transmission Operator used one to ten Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model.</p>	<p>The Transmission Operator used eleven to twenty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model.</p>	<p>One or both of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator used twenty-one to thirty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model. • The Transmission Operator did not use a Transmission model that includes modeling data and topology (or equivalent representation) for one adjacent Reliability Coordinator Area. 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator used more than thirty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model. • The Transmission Operator's model includes equivalent representation of non-radial facilities greater than 161 kV for its own Reliability Coordinator Area. • The Transmission Operator did not use a Transmission model that includes modeling data and topology (or equivalent representation) for two or more adjacent Reliability Coordinator

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				Areas.
R3.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process one to ten expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process eleven to twenty-five expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process twenty-six to fifty expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	One or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process more than fifty expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID. • The Transmission Operator did not include the Load forecast or unit commitment in its TTC calculation as described in R3.
R4.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R4.3 for more than zero reservations, but not more than 5% of all reservations; or 1 reservation, whichever is greater.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R4.3 for more than 5%, but not more than 10% of all reservations; or 2 reservations, whichever is greater.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R4.3 for more than 10%, but not more than 15% of all reservations; or 3 reservations, whichever is greater.	One or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC calculation the contingencies that met the criteria described in the ATCID. • The Transmission Operator did not respect contractual allocations of TTC. • The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R4.3 for more than 15% of all reservations; or more than 3 reservations, whichever is greater. • The Transmission Operator did not use firm reservations to estimate interchange or did not

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				utilize that estimate in the TTC calculation as described in R4.3.
R5.	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in hourly or daily ATCs within 7 calendar days but did establish the values within 10 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a calendar month but did establish the values within the next consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in hourly or daily ATCs in 10 calendar days but did establish the values within 13 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a two consecutive calendar month period but did establish the values within the third consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for used in hourly or daily ATCs in 13 calendar days but did establish the values within 16 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a three consecutive calendar month period but did establish the values within the fourth consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for used in hourly or daily ATCs in 16 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a four or more consecutive calendar month period The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs within 24 hrs of the triggers defined in R5.3
R6.	N/A	N/A	N/A	The Transmission Operator did not calculate TTCs per the process specified in R6.
R7.	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than one calendar day after their determination, but not been more than two calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than two calendar days after their determination, but not been more than three calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than three calendar days after their determination, but not been more than four calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than four calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator did not provide its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or

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	<p>has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than seven calendar days after their determination, but not more than 14 calendar days since their determination.</p>	<p>has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 14 calendar days after their determination, but not been more than 21 calendar days after their determination.</p>	<p>has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 21 calendar days after their determination, but not been more than 28 calendar days after their determination.</p>	<p>daily ATC calculations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 28 calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator did not provide its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.
R8.	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 15% of the value calculated in the measure or 15MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater.</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater.</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.</p>
R9.	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 15% of the value calculated in the measure or 15MW, whichever is greater, but not</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater, but not</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater, but not</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.</p>

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	more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater.	more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater...	more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.	
R10.	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than zero ATC Paths, but not more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater), but not more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater), but not more than 15% of all ATC Paths or 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 15% of all ATC Paths or more than 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).
R11.	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than zero ATC Paths, but not more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater), but not more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater), but not more than 15% of all ATC Paths or 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 15% of all ATC Paths or more than 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).

Version History

Version	Date	Action	Change Tracking
1	August 26, 2008	Adopted by the Board of Trustees	
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3. **Purpose:** To increase consistency and reliability in the development and documentation of Transfer Capability calculations for short-term use performed by entities using the Area Interchange Methodology to support analysis and system operations.
4. **Applicability:**
 - 4.1. Each Transmission Operator that uses the Area Interchange Methodology to calculate Total Transfer Capabilities (TTCs) for ATC Paths.
 - 4.2. Each Transmission Service Provider that uses the Area Interchange Methodology to calculate Available Transfer Capabilities (ATCs) for ATC Paths.
5. **Proposed Effective Date:** First In those jurisdictions where regulatory approval is required, this standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter that is twelve months beyond the date that all four standards (MOD-001-1, MOD-028-1, MOD-029-1, and MOD-030-1) are approved by all after applicable regulatory authorities approval. In those jurisdictions where no regulatory approval is required, this standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter after Board of Trustees approval.

B. Requirements

- R1. Each Transmission Service Provider shall include in its Available Transfer Capability Implementation Document (ATCID), at a minimum, the following information relative to its methodology for determining Total Transfer Capability (TTC): [*Violation Risk Factor: Lower*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]
 - R1.1. Information describing how the selected methodology has been implemented, in such detail that, given the same information used by the Transmission Operator, the results of the TTC calculations can be validated.
 - R1.2. A description of the manner in which the Transmission Operator will account for Interchange Schedules in the calculation of TTC.
 - R1.3. Any contractual obligations for allocation of TTC.
 - R1.4. A description of the manner in which Contingencies are identified for use in the TTC process.
 - R1.5. The following information on how source and sink for transmission service is accounted for in ATC calculations including:
 - R1.5.1. Define if the source used for Available Transfer Capability (ATC) calculations is obtained from the source field or the Point of Receipt (POR) field of the transmission reservation
 - R1.5.2. Define if the sink used for ATC calculations is obtained from the sink field or the Point of Delivery (POD) field of the transmission reservation

- R1.5.3.** The source/sink or POR/POD identification and mapping to the model.
- R1.5.4.** If the Transmission Service Provider's ATC calculation process involves a grouping of generation, the ATCID must identify how these generators participate in the group.
- R2.** When calculating TTC for ATC Paths, the Transmission Operator shall use a Transmission model that contains all of the following: [*Violation Risk Factor: Lower*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]
 - R2.1.** Modeling data and topology of its Reliability Coordinator's area of responsibility. Equivalent representation of radial lines and facilities 161 kV or below is allowed.
 - R2.2.** Modeling data and topology (or equivalent representation) for immediately adjacent and beyond Reliability Coordination areas.
 - R2.3.** Facility Ratings specified by the Generator Owners and Transmission Owners.
- R3.** When calculating TTCs for ATC Paths, the Transmission Operator shall include the following data for the Transmission Service Provider's area. The Transmission Operator shall also include the following data associated with Facilities that are explicitly represented in the Transmission model, as provided by adjacent Transmission Service Providers and any other Transmission Service Providers with which coordination agreements have been executed: [*Violation Risk Factor: Lower*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]
 - R3.1.** ~~For on-peak and off-peak intra-day and next-day~~For TTCs, use the following (as well as any other values and additional parameters as specified in the ATCID):
 - R3.1.1.** Expected generation and Transmission outages, additions, and retirements, included as specified in the ATCID.
 - R3.1.2.** ~~Load~~A daily or hourly load forecast for ~~the applicable period being calculated~~TTCs used in current-day and next-day ATC calculations.
 - R3.1.3.** A daily load forecast for TTCs used in ATC calculations for days two through 31.
 - R3.1.2.****R3.1.4.** A monthly load forecast for TTCs used in ATC calculations for months two through 13 months TTCs.
 - R3.1.3.**Unit commitment and dispatch order, to include all designated network resources and other resources that are committed or have the legal obligation to run, (within or out of economic dispatch) as they are expected to run.
 - R3.2.** ~~For days two through 31 TTCs and for months two through 13 TTCs, use the following (as well as any other values and internal parameters as specified in the ATCID):~~

~~R3.2.1. Expected generation and Transmission outages, additions, and Retirements, included as specified in the ATCID.~~

~~R3.2.2. Daily load forecast for the days two through 31 TTCs being calculated and monthly forecast for months two through 13 months TTCs being calculated.~~

~~R3.2.3.R3.1.5. Unit commitment and dispatch order, to include all designated network resources and other resources that are committed or have the legal obligation to run, (within or out of economic dispatch) as they are expected to run.~~

R4. When calculating TTCs for ATC Paths, the Transmission Operator shall meet all of the following conditions: *[Violation Risk Factor: Lower] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]*

R4.1. Use all Contingencies meeting the criteria described in the ATCID.

R4.2. Respect any contractual allocations of TTC.

R4.3. Include, for each time period, the Firm Transmission Service expected to be scheduled as specified in the ATCID (filtered to reduce or eliminate duplicate impacts from transactions using Transmission service from multiple Transmission Service Providers) for the Transmission Service Provider, all adjacent Transmission Service Providers, and any Transmission Service Providers with which coordination agreements have been executed modeling the source and sink as follows:

- If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and it is discretely modeled in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the discretely modeled point as the source.
- If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can be mapped to an "equivalence" or "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the modeled equivalence or aggregate as the source.
- If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point cannot be mapped to a discretely modeled point, an "equivalence," or an "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider from which the power is to be received as the source.
- If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has not been identified in the reservation, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider from which the power is to be received as the source.
- If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and it is discretely modeled in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the discretely modeled point shall as the sink.

- If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can be mapped to an “equivalence” or “aggregate representation” in the Transmission Service Provider’s Transmission model, use the modeled equivalence or aggregate as the sink.
 - If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can not be mapped to a discretely modeled point, an “equivalence,” or an “aggregate representation” in the Transmission Service Provider’s Transmission model, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider to which the power is to be delivered as the sink.
 - If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has not been identified in the reservation, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider to which the power is being delivered as the sink.
- R5.** Each Transmission Operator shall establish TTC for each ATC Path as defined below: *[Violation Risk Factor: Lower] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]*
- R5.1.** At least once within the seven calendar days prior to the specified period for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations.
 - R5.2.** At least once per calendar month for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.
 - R5.3.** Within 24 hours of the unexpected outage of a 500 kV or higher transmission Facility or a transformer with a low-side voltage of 200 kV or higher for TTCs in effect during the anticipated duration of the outage, provided such outage is expected to last 24 hours or longer.
- R6.** Each Transmission Operator shall establish TTC for each ATC Path using the following process: *[Violation Risk Factor: Lower] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]*
- R6.1.** Determine the incremental Transfer Capability for each ATC Path by increasing generation and/or decreasing load within the source Balancing Authority area and decreasing generation and/or increasing load within the sink Balancing Authority area until either:
 - A System Operating Limit is reached on the Transmission Service Provider’s system, or
 - A SOL is reached on any other adjacent system in the Transmission model that is not on the study path and the distribution factor is 5% or greater¹.
 - R6.2.** If the limit in step R6.1 can not be reached by adjusting any combination of load or generation, then set the incremental Transfer Capability by the results of the case where the maximum adjustments were applied.
 - R6.3.** Use (as the TTC) the lesser of:

¹ The Transmission operator may honor distribution factors less than 5% if desired.

- The sum of the incremental Transfer Capability and the impacts of Firm Transmission Services, as specified in the Transmission Service Provider’s ATCID, that were included in the study model, or
 - The sum of Facility Ratings of all ties comprising the ATC Path.
- R6.4.** For ATC Paths whose capacity uses jointly-owned or allocated Facilities, limit TTC for each Transmission Service Provider so the TTC does not exceed each Transmission Service Provider’s contractual rights.
- R7.** The Transmission Operator shall provide the Transmission Service Provider of that ATC Path with the most current value for TTC for that ATC Path no more than:
[Violation Risk Factor: Lower] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]
- R7.1.** One calendar day after its determination for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations.
- R7.2.** Seven calendar days after its determination for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.
- R8.** When calculating Existing Transmission Commitments (ETCs) for firm commitments (ETC_F) for all time periods for an ATC Path the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm: *[Violation Risk Factor: Lower] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]*

$$ETC_F = NITS_F + GF_F + PTP_F + ROR_F + OS_F$$

Where:

NITS_F is the firm capacity set aside for Network Integration Transmission Service (including the capacity used to serve bundled load within the Transmission Service Provider’s area with external sources) on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

GF_F is the firm capacity set aside for Grandfathered Firm Transmission Service and contracts for energy and/or Transmission Service, where executed prior to the effective date of a Transmission Service Provider’s Open Access Transmission Tariff or safe harbor tariff on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

PTP_F is the firm capacity reserved for confirmed Point-to-Point Transmission Service.

ROR_F is the capacity reserved for roll-over rights for Firm Transmission Service contracts granting Transmission Customers the right of first refusal to take or continue to take Transmission Service when the Transmission Customer’s Transmission Service contract expires or is eligible for renewal.

OS_F is the firm capacity reserved for any other service(s), contract(s), or agreement(s) not specified above using Firm Transmission Service, including any other firm adjustments to reflect impacts from other ATC Paths of the Transmission Service Provider as specified in the ATCID.

- R9.** When calculating ETC for non-firm commitments (ETC_{NF}) for all time periods for an ATC Path the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm:
[Violation Risk Factor: *Lower*] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]

$$ETC_{NF} = NITS_{NF} + GF_{NF} + PTP_{NF} + OS_{NF}$$

Where:

$NITS_{NF}$ is the non-firm capacity set aside for Network Integration Transmission Service (i.e., secondary service, including the capacity used to serve bundled load within the Transmission Service Provider's area with external sources) reserved on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

GF_{NF} is the non-firm capacity reserved for Grandfathered Non-Firm Transmission Service and contracts for energy and/or Transmission Service, where executed prior to the effective date of a Transmission Service Provider's Open Access Transmission Tariff or safe harbor tariff on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

PTP_{NF} is non-firm capacity reserved for confirmed Point-to-Point Transmission Service.

OS_{NF} is the non-firm capacity reserved for any other service(s), contract(s), or agreement(s) not specified above using Non-Firm Transmission Service, including any other firm adjustments to reflect impacts from other ATC Paths of the Transmission Service Provider as specified in the ATCID.

- R10.** When calculating firm ATC for an ATC Path for a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider shall utilize the following algorithm: [Violation Risk Factor: *Lower*] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]

$$ATC_F = TTC - ETC_F - CBM - TRM + Postbacks_F + counterflows_F$$

Where:

ATC_F is the firm Available Transfer Capability for the ATC Path for that period.

TTC is the Total Transfer Capability of the ATC Path for that period.

ETC_F is the sum of existing firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

CBM is the Capacity Benefit Margin for the ATC Path during that period.

TRM is the Transmission Reliability Margin for the ATC Path during that period.

$Postbacks_F$ are changes to firm ATC due to a change in the use of Transmission Service for that period, as defined in Business Practices.

$counterflows_F$ are adjustments to firm ATC as determined by the Transmission Service Provider and specified in the ATCID.

- R11.** When calculating non-firm ATC for a ATC Path for a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm: [Violation Risk Factor: *Lower*] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]

$$ATC_{NF} = TTC - ETC_F - ETC_{NF} - CBM_S - TRM_U + Postbacks_{NF} + counterflows_{NF}$$

Where:

ATC_{NF} is the non-firm Available Transfer Capability for the ATC Path for that period.

TTC is the Total Transfer Capability of the ATC Path for that period.

ETC_F is the sum of existing firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

ETC_{NF} is the sum of existing non-firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

CBM_S is the Capacity Benefit Margin for the ATC Path that has been scheduled without a separate reservation during that period.

TRM_U is the Transmission Reliability Margin for the ATC Path that has not been released for sale (unreleased) as non-firm capacity by the Transmission Service Provider during that period.

Postbacks_{NF} are changes to non-firm ATC due to a change in the use of Transmission Service for that period, as defined in Business Practices.

counterflows_{NF} are adjustments to non-firm ATC as determined by the Transmission Service Provider and specified in the ATCID.

C. Measures

- M1.** Each Transmission Service Provider shall provide its current ATCID that has the information described in R1 to show compliance with R1. (R1)
- M2.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence including the model used to calculate TTC as well as other evidence (such as Facility Ratings provided by facility owners, written documentation, logs, and data) to show that the modeling requirements in R2 were met. (R2)
- M3.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence, including scheduled outages, facility additions and retirements, (such as written documentation, logs, and data) that the data described in R3 and R4 were included in the determination of TTC as specified in the ATCID. (R3)
- M4.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide the contingencies used in determining TTC and the ATCID as evidence to show that the contingencies described in the ATCID were included in the determination of TTC. (R4)
- M5.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide copies of contracts that contain requirements to allocate TTCs and TTC values to show that any contractual allocations of TTC were respected as required in R4.2. (R4)
- M6.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as copies of coordination agreements, reservations, interchange transactions, or other documentation) to show that firm reservations were used to estimate scheduled interchange, the modeling of scheduled interchange was based on the rules described in R4.3, and that estimated scheduled interchange was included in the determination of TTC. (R4)

- M7.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as logs and data and dated copies of requests from the Transmission Service Provider to establish TTCs at specific intervals) that TTCs have been established at least once in the calendar week prior to the specified period for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations, at least once per calendar month for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations, and within 24 hours of the unexpected outage of a 500 kV or higher transmission Facility or a autotransformer with a low-side voltage of 200 kV or higher for TTCs in effect during the anticipated duration of the outage; provided such outage is expected to last 24 hours or longer in duration per the specifications in R5.(R5)
- M8.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as written documentation) that TTCs have been calculated using the process described in R6. (R6)
- M9.** Each Transmission Operator shall have evidence including a copy of the latest calculated TTC values along with a dated copy of email notices or other equivalent evidence to show that it provided its Transmission Service Provider with the most current values for TTC in accordance with R7. (R7)
- M10.** The Transmission Service Provider shall demonstrate compliance with R8 by recalculating firm ETC for any specific time period as described in (MOD-001 R2), using the algorithm defined in R8 and with data used to calculate the specified value for the designated time period. The data used must meet the requirements specified in MOD-028-~~12~~ and the ATCID. To account for differences that may occur when recalculating the value (due to mixing automated and manual processes), any recalculated value that is within +/- 15% or 15 MW, whichever is greater, of the originally calculated value, is evidence that the Transmission Service Provider used the algorithm in R8 to calculate its firm ETC. (R8)
- M11.** The Transmission Service Provider shall demonstrate compliance with R9 by recalculating non-firm ETC for any specific time period as described in (MOD-001 R2), using the algorithm defined in R9 and with data used to calculate the specified value for the designated time period. The data used must meet the requirements specified in MOD-028-~~12~~ and the ATCID. To account for differences that may occur when recalculating the value (due to mixing automated and manual processes), any recalculated value that is within +/- 15% or 15 MW, whichever is greater, of the originally calculated value, is evidence that the Transmission Service Provider used the algorithm in R8 to calculate its non-firm ETC. (R9)
- M12.** Each Transmission Service Provider shall produce the supporting documentation for the processes used to implement the algorithm that calculates firm ATCs, as required in R10. Such documentation must show that only the variables allowed in R10 were used to calculate firm ATCs, and that the processes use the current values for the variables as determined in the requirements or definitions. Note that any variable may legitimately be zero if the value is not applicable or calculated to be zero (such as counterflows, TRM, CBM, etc...). The supporting documentation may be provided in the same form and format as stored by the Transmission Service Provider. (R10)
- M13.** Each Transmission Service Provider shall produce the supporting documentation for the processes used to implement the algorithm that calculates non-firm ATCs, as required in R11. Such documentation must show that only the variables allowed in R11

were used to calculate non-firm ATCs, and that the processes use the current values for the variables as determined in the requirements or definitions. Note that any variable may legitimately be zero if the value is not applicable or calculated to be zero (such as counterflows, TRM, CBM, etc...). The supporting documentation may be provided in the same form and format as stored by the Transmission Service Provider. (R11)

D. Compliance

1. Compliance Monitoring Process

1.1. Compliance Enforcement Authority

~~For entities that do not work for the~~ Regional Entity-

~~1.2. , the Regional Entity shall serve as the Compliance **Monitoring Period and Reset** Enforcement Authority.~~

~~Not applicable. For functional entities that work for their Regional Entity, the ERO or a Regional Entity approved by the ERO and FERC or other applicable governmental authorities shall serve as the Compliance Enforcement Authority.~~

1.3.1.2. Data Retention

The following evidence retention periods identify the period of time an entity is required to retain specific evidence to demonstrate compliance. For instances where the evidence retention period specified below is shorter than the time since the last audit, the Compliance Enforcement Authority may ask an entity to provide other evidence to show that it was compliant for the full time period since the last audit.

The Transmission Operator and Transmission Service Provider shall keep data or evidence to show compliance as identified below unless directed by its Compliance Enforcement Authority to retain specific evidence for a longer period of time as part of an investigation:

- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain its current, in force ATCID and any prior versions of the ATCID that were in force since the last compliance audit to show compliance with R1.
- The Transmission Operator shall have its latest model used to calculate TTC and evidence of the previous version to show compliance with R2.
- The Transmission Operator shall retain evidence to show compliance with R3 for the most recent 12 months or until the model used to calculate TTC is updated, whichever is longer.
- The Transmission Operator shall retain evidence to show compliance with R4, R5, R6 and R7 for the most recent 12 months.
- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain evidence to show compliance in calculating hourly values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 14 days; evidence to show compliance in calculating daily values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 30 days; and evidence to show compliance in calculating monthly values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 60 days.

- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain evidence to show compliance with R10 and R11 for the most recent 12 months.
- If a Transmission Service Provider or Transmission Operator is found non-compliant, it shall keep information related to the non-compliance until found compliant.
- The Compliance Enforcement Authority shall keep the last audit records and all requested and submitted subsequent audit records.

1.4.1.3. Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Processes:

The following processes may be used:

- Compliance Audits
- Self-Certifications
- Spot Checking
- Compliance Violation Investigations
- Self-Reporting
- Complaints

1.5.1.4. Additional Compliance Information

None.

2. Violation Severity Levels

R #	Lower VSL	Moderate VSL	High VSL	Severe VSL
R1.	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing two of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing three of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing more than three of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements)
R2.	<p>The Transmission Operator used one to ten Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model.</p>	<p>The Transmission Operator used eleven to twenty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model.</p>	<p>One or both of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator used twenty-one to thirty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model. • The Transmission Operator did not use a Transmission model that includes modeling data and topology (or equivalent representation) for one adjacent Reliability Coordinator Area. 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator used more than thirty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model. • The Transmission Operator's model includes equivalent representation of non-radial facilities greater than 161 kV for its own Reliability Coordinator Area. • The Transmission Operator did not use a Transmission model that includes modeling data and topology (or equivalent representation) for two or more adjacent Reliability Coordinator

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				Areas.
R3.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process one to ten expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process eleven to twenty-five expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process twenty-six to fifty expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	One or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process more than fifty expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID. • The Transmission Operator did not include the Load forecast or unit commitment in its TTC calculation as described in R3.
R4.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R5 R4.3 for more than zero reservations, but not more than 5% of all reservations; or 1 reservation, whichever is greater.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R5 R4.3 for more than 5%, but not more than 10% of all reservations; or 2 reservations, whichever is greater.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R5 R4.3 for more than 10%, but not more than 15% of all reservations; or 3 reservations, whichever is greater.	One or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC calculation the contingencies that met the criteria described in the ATCID. • The Transmission Operator did not respect contractual allocations of TTC. • The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R4.3 for more than 15% of all reservations; or more than 3 reservations, whichever is greater. • The Transmission Operator did not use firm reservations to estimate interchange or did not

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				utilize that estimate in the TTC calculation as described in R4.3.
R5.	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in hourly or daily ATCs within 7 calendar days but did establish the values within 10 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a calendar month but did establish the values within the next consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in hourly or daily ATCs in 10 calendar days but did establish the values within 13 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a two consecutive calendar month period but did establish the values within the third consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in hourly or daily ATCs in 13 calendar days but did establish the values within 16 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a three consecutive calendar month period but did establish the values within the fourth consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in hourly or daily ATCs in 16 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a four or more consecutive calendar month period The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs within 24 hrs of the triggers defined in R5.3
R6.	N/A	N/A	N/A	The Transmission Operator did not calculate TTCs per the process specified in R6.
R7.	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than one calendar day after their determination, but not been more than two calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than two calendar days after their determination, but not been more than three calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than three calendar days after their determination, but not been more than four calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than four calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator did not provide its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or

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	<p>has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than seven calendar days after their determination, but not more than 14 calendar days since their determination.</p>	<p>has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 14 calendar days after their determination, but not been more than 21 calendar days after their determination.</p>	<p>has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 21 calendar days after their determination, but not been more than 28 calendar days after their determination.</p>	<p>daily ATC calculations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 28 calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator did not provide its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.
R8.	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 15% of the value calculated in the measure or 15MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater.</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater.</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.</p>
R9.	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 15% of the value calculated in the measure or 15MW, whichever is greater, but not</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater, but not</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater, but not</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.</p>

R #	Lower VSL	Moderate VSL	High VSL	Severe VSL
	more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater.	more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater...	more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.	
R10.	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than zero ATC Paths, but not more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater), but not more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater), but not more than 15% of all ATC Paths or 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 15% of all ATC Paths or more than 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).
R11.	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than zero ATC Paths, but not more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater), but not more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater), but not more than 15% of all ATC Paths or 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 15% of all ATC Paths or more than 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).

Version History

<u>Version</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Change Tracking</u>
<u>1</u>	<u>August 26, 2008</u>	<u>Adopted by the Board of Trustees</u>	
<u>2</u>	<u>February 9, 2012</u>	<u>Adopted by the Board of Trustees</u>	

Exhibit C

Implementation Plan for Reliability Standard submitted for Approval

Implementation Plan Project 2011-INT-01

Approvals Requested

MOD-028-2 – Area Interchange Methodology

Prerequisite Approvals

None

Effective Date

New or Revised Standards

MOD-028-2—In those jurisdictions where regulatory approval is required, this standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter after applicable regulatory approval. In those jurisdictions where no regulatory approval is required, this standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter after Board of Trustees approval.

Standards for Retirement

MOD-028-1—Midnight of the day immediately prior to the Effective Date of MOD-028-2 in the particular Jurisdiction in which the new standard is becoming effective.

Exhibit D

Consideration of Comments

Consideration of Comments

Project 2011-INT-01 – Interpretation of MOD-028 R3.1 for FPL

The 2011-INT-01 – Interpretation Drafting Team thanks all commenters who submitted comments on the SAR and draft MOD-028-2 standard (Area Interchange Methodology). These standards were posted for a 45-day public comment period from October 3, 2011 through November 16, 2011. Stakeholders were asked to provide feedback on the standards and associated documents through a special electronic comment form. There were 9 sets of comments, including comments from 51 different people from approximately 43 companies representing all of the 10 Industry Segments as shown in the table on the following pages.

Ballots indicated general support with a quorum of 88.05% and an affirmative vote of 85.53%.

Summary Consideration:

Most comments indicated the use of a “Rapid” approach to clarify the standard is acceptable. Some comments expressed concern regarding the updates to the compliance sections of the standard. These changes were administrative in nature and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.

The majority of the comments received indicate the issue raised in the interpretation request has been satisfactorily resolved.

Two comments questioned if the intent of the standard was to go beyond the changes written, and to require an hourly load forecast for use in an hourly TTC and a daily load forecast for use in a daily TTC. The intent of the standard is to allow for either daily or hourly load forecasts in the specified situation. In other words, a “daily” load forecast is the minimum acceptable performance, but an “hourly” forecast is also acceptable to meet the requirement.

Specifically, some commenters questioned the data retention section of the standard and how it should be applied. Data should be retained as stated in the original standard. The added language gives instruction for when the retention period is shorter than the time since the last audit. According to Section 3.1.4.2 of Appendix 4c to NERC’s Rules of Procedure, an entity is responsible for compliance for the entire time since the last audit and will be expected to demonstrate its compliance. The paragraph that was added to the Data Retention section of the standard was written by NERC Legal staff to notify entities of this responsibility and is not specific to MOD-028-2; this paragraph is being added to all standards as they are revised.

One commenter identified a capitalization error in R3.1, which has been corrected as noted so that the term “daily” is not capitalized. Additionally, the capitalization of the word “monthly” was removed, and a formatting error corrected. No other changes were made to the standard.

All comments submitted may be reviewed in their original format on the standard's project page:

http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/2011-INT-01_ Interpretation MOD-028-1 FPL.html

If you feel that your comment has been overlooked, please let us know immediately. Our goal is to give every comment serious consideration in this process! If you feel there has been an error or omission, you can contact the Vice President and Director of Standards, Herb Schrayshuen, at 404-446-2560 or at herb.schrayshuen@nerc.net. In addition, there is a NERC Reliability Standards Appeals Process.¹

¹ The appeals process is in the Reliability Standards Development Procedures: <http://www.nerc.com/standards/newstandardsprocess.html>.

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The Industry Segments are:

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- 5 — Electric Generators
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- 7 — Large Electricity End Users
- 8 — Small Electricity End Users
- 9 — Federal, State, Provincial Regulatory or other Government Entities
- 10 — Regional Reliability Organizations, Regional Entities

Group/Individual		Commenter	Organization	Registered Ballot Body Segment											
				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
1.	Group	Guy Zito	Northeast Power Coordinating Council												X
Additional Member		Additional Organization		Region		Segment Selection									
1.	Alan Adamson	New York State Reliability Council, LLC		NPCC	10										
2.	Greg Campoli	New York Independent System Operator		NPCC	2										
3.	Sylvain Clermont	Hydro-Quebec TransEnergie		NPCC	1										
4.	Chris de Graffenried	Consolidate Edison Co. of New York, Inc.		NPCC	1										
5.	Gerry Dunbar	Northeast Power Coordinating Council		NPCC	10										
6.	Brian Evans-Mongeon	Utility Services		NPCC	8										
7.	Mike Garton	Dominion Resources Services, Inc.		NPCC	5										
8.	Kathleen Goodman	ISO - New England		NPCC	2										

Group/Individual	Commenter	Organization	Registered Ballot Body Segment																	
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10								
9.	Chantel Haswell	FPL Group, Inc.	NPCC	5																
10.	David Kiguel	Hydro One Networks Inc.	NPCC	1																
11.	Michael R. Lombardi	Northeast Utilities	NPCC	1																
12.	Randy MacDonald	New Brunswick Power Transmission	NPCC	9																
13.	Bruce Metruck	New York Power Authority	NPCC	6																
14.	Lee Pedowicz	Northeast Power Coordinating Council	NPCC	10																
15.	Robert Pellegrini	The United Illuminating Company	NPCC	1																
16.	Si-Truc Phan	Hydro-Quebec TransEnergie	NPCC	1																
17.	David Ramkalawan	Ontario Power Generation, Inc.	NPCC	5																
18.	Saurabh Saksena	National Grid	NPCC	1																
19.	Michael Schiavone	National Grid	NPCC	1																
20.	Wayne Sipperly	New York Power Authority	NPCC	5																
21.	Tina Teng	Independent Electric System Operator	NPCC	2																
22.	Donald Weaver	New Brunswick System Operator	NPCC	2																
23.	Ben Wu	Orange and Rockland Utilities	NPCC	1																
24.	Peter Yost	Consolidated Edison Co. of New York, Inc.	NPCC	3																
2.	Group	James R. Manning	NCEMC Reps			X		X	X	X	X									
No additional members listed.																				
3.	Group	Jason L. Marshall	ACES Power Marketing Standards Collaborators								X									
Additional Member Additional Organization Region Segment Selection																				
1.	James Jones	AEPCO/SWTC	WECC	1, 5																
4.	Group	Will Smith	MRO NSRF			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						X
Additional Member Additional Organization Region Segment Selection																				
1.	Mahmood Safi	OPPD	MRO	1, 3, 5, 6																
2.	Chuck Lawrence	ATC	MRO	1																
3.	Tom Webb	WPS	MRO	3, 4, 5, 6																
4.	Jodi Jenson	WAPA	MRO	1, 6																
5.	Ken Goldsmith	ALTW	MRO	4																
6.	Alice Ireland	XCEL/NSP	MRO	1, 3, 5, 6																
7.	Dave Rudolph	BEPC	MRO	1, 3, 5, 6																

Group/Individual		Commenter	Organization	Registered Ballot Body Segment											
				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
8.	Eric Ruskamp	LES	MRO	1, 3, 5, 6											
9.	Joe DePoorter	MGE	MRO	3, 4, 5, 6											
10.	Scott Nickels	RPU	MRO	4											
11.	Terry Harbour	MEC	MRO	1, 3, 5, 6											
12.	Marie Knox	MISO	MRO	2											
13.	Lee Kittelson	OTP	MRO	1, 3, 4, 5											
14.	Scott Bos	MPW	MRO	1, 3, 5, 6											
15.	Tony Eddleman	NPPD	MRO	1, 3, 5											
16.	Mike Brytowski	GRE	MRO	1, 3, 5, 6											
17.	Richard Burt	MPC	MRO	1, 3, 5, 6											
5.	Individual	Anthony Jablonski	ReliabilityFirst												X
6.	Individual	Greg Rowland	Duke Energy		X		X		X	X					
7.	Individual	Ross Kovacs	Georgia Transmission Corporation		X										
8.	Individual	Joe Petaski	Manitoba Hydro		X		X		X	X					
9.	Individual	Annie Lauterbach/Laura Trolese	Bonneville Power Administration		X		X		X	X					

1. Do you agree with the use of this “Rapid” approach to clarify the standard, rather than clarifying the standard through an Interpretation? If No, please explain your concerns

Summary Consideration: Most comments indicated the use of a “Rapid” approach to clarify the standard is acceptable. Some comments expressed concern regarding the updates to the compliance sections of the standard; however, these changes were administrative in nature related to language used to enforce compliance, and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.

Organization	Yes or No	Question 1 Comment
Northeast Power Coordinating Council	Yes	
NCEMC Reps	Yes	
ACES Power Marketing Standards Collaborators	Yes	We agree that the “Rapid” modification approach will work for a standard such as this where clarification of a single requirement is needed. This seems to be a much quicker way to get the clarification we need.
Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment.		
MRO NSRF	Yes	
ReliabilityFirst	Yes	
Georgia Transmission Corporation	Yes	
Manitoba Hydro	Yes	It is appropriate to use the rapid development process in this case because only clarifications, not substantive changes, have been made to the standard.
Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment.		

Organization	Yes or No	Question 1 Comment
Duke Energy	No	<p>The Rapid approach method would have been sufficient had the response been limited to only the request for clarification. This revision goes beyond the scope of the original request for clarification by modifying the VRFs as well as the Compliance Enforcement and Data Retention portions of Section D. While these additional changes may simply be conforming changes to match a new Standards pro-forma template, they should be addressed and explained along with the other provided background information.</p>
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The indication of “Pending” for the VRFs is intended to indicate that the VRFs are not approved by FERC. The VRFs were not filed with the original filing, and were addressed separately due to NERC staff concerns they did not comply with NERC’s VRF guidelines. Staff proposed VRFs were posted for industry comment January 7, 2009 through January 28, 2009. Staff made changes based on stakeholder feedback, and those VRFs were presented to and approved by the NERC Board of Trustees on November 4, 2010. The VRFs were filed with the Commission on December 1, 2010; FERC has not yet acted on them.</p> <p>The other changes were administrative in nature related to language used to enforce compliance, and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.</p>		
Bonneville Power Administration		

2. Does the language in the SAR adequately represent the issue raised in the interpretation request? If No, please provide your suggestions to modify the SAR.

Summary Consideration: The comments received indicate the language in the SAR adequately represents the issue raised in the interpretation request.

Organization	Yes or No	Question 2 Comment
Northeast Power Coordinating Council	Yes	
NCEMC Reps	Yes	
ACES Power Marketing Standards Collaborators	Yes	
MRO NSRF	Yes	
ReliabilityFirst	Yes	
Duke Energy	Yes	
Georgia Transmission Corporation	Yes	
Manitoba Hydro	Yes	
Bonneville Power Administration		

3. Does the proposed revision resolve the issue raised in the interpretation request? If No, please provide your suggestions to modify the standard.

Summary Consideration: The majority of the comments received indicate the issue has been satisfactorily resolved. Some comments expressed concern regarding the updates to the compliance sections of the standard; however, these changes were administrative in nature related to language used to enforce compliance, and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.

Two comments questioned if the intent of the standard was to go beyond the changes written, and to require an hourly load forecast for use in an hourly TTC and a daily load forecast for use in a daily TTC. This is not the intent of the standard. The intent of the standard is to allow for either daily or hourly load forecasts in the specified situation.

Organization	Yes or No	Question 3 Comment
Duke Energy	Yes	We are OK with the changes made to Requirement 3, but, in the interest of full disclosure, we expect that some explanatory language should be included to address the changes made not related to the FPL Request for Interpretation.
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The indication of “Pending” for the VRFs is intended to indicate that the VRFs are not approved by FERC. The VRFs were not filed with the original filing, and were addressed separately due to NERC staff concerns they did not comply with NERC’s VRF guidelines. Staff proposed VRFs were posted for industry comment January 7, 2009 through January 28, 2009. Staff made changes based on stakeholder feedback, and those VRFs were presented to and approved by the NERC Board of Trustees on November 4, 2010. The VRFs were filed with the Commission on December 1, 2010; FERC has not yet acted on them.</p> <p>The other changes were administrative in nature related to language used to enforce compliance, and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.</p>		
Northeast Power Coordinating Council	Yes	
MRO NSRF	Yes	

Organization	Yes or No	Question 3 Comment
ReliabilityFirst	Yes	
Manitoba Hydro	Yes	
Southwest Transmission Cooperative, Inc.	Negative	<p>We agree that the “Rapid” modification approach will work for a standard such as this where clarification of a single requirement is needed. This seems to be a much quicker way to get the clarification we need. The proposed changes do not appear to solve the original ambiguity. Because 3.1.2 describes using “A daily or hourly load forecast for TTCs used in current-day and next-day ATC calculations”, a registered entity might still believe that it has to calculate hourly TTCs. A clarification is needed that hourly load forecasts are required if the TOP uses hourly TTCs and daily load forecasts are needed if the TOP calculates a single TTC for a day.</p>
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The standard is not intended to require an hourly load forecast for hourly TTCs. Rather, it is intended to indicate that entities may use daily OR hourly forecasts in the TTC calculation for TTCs used in the current-day and next-day time frames. In other words, a daily load forecast is the minimum, but entities may also use hourly if they so choose.</p>		
ACES Power Marketing	Negative	We do not think the issue has been fully addressed. Please see our formal comments.
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment.</p>		
ACES Power Marketing Standards Collaborators and NCEMC Reps	No	<p>The proposed changes do not appear to solve the original ambiguity. Because 3.1.2 describes using “A daily or hourly load forecast for TTCs used in current-day and next-day ATC calculations”, a registered entity might still believe that it has to calculate hourly TTCs. A clarification is needed that hourly load forecasts are required if the TOP uses hourly TTCs and daily load forecasts are needed if the TOP calculates a single TTC for a day.</p>
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The standard is not intended to require an hourly load forecast for hourly TTCs. Rather, it is intended to indicate that entities may use daily OR hourly forecasts in the TTC calculation for TTCs used</p>		

Organization	Yes or No	Question 3 Comment
<p>in the current-day and next-day time frames. In other words, a daily load forecast is the minimum, but entities may also use hourly if they so choose.</p>		
<p>Georgia Transmission Corporation</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>The proposed revision goes beyond the issue raised in the interpretation request. The VRF levels have been changed to "PENDING". The SAR states, "Because FERC has not yet ruled on the VRFs for this standard, they have been marked as PENDING in order to not distract from the discussion of the modification." Please describe what input was given by the Interpretation Team. Please describe how this change was done in accordance with Reliability Standards Consensus Development Process - Step 5 of the Reliability Standards Development Procedure. In Order 729, "the Commission accepts the ERO's commitment to reevaluate the violation risk factors and violation severity levels associated with these MOD Reliability Standards through an open stakeholder process to ensure that they are consistent with the intent of violation risk factor definitions and Commission precedent." Changing the VRF levels in this "Rapid" approach and requesting a parallel vote prior to obtaining industry feedback (1) is not an open stakeholder process, (2) is making changes to one MOD standard while leaving the other MOD standards unchanged, (3) leaves auditors and the industry without any guidance as to the VRFs for MOD-028-2 requirements, and (4) does not appear in accordance with the Reliability Standards Development Procedure. GTC recommends following the Commission's determination outlined in Order 729 to reevaluate the VRFs associated with ALL of the proposed MOD Reliability Standards through a separate, open stakeholder process which could ensure the VRFs and VSLs are consistent with the intent of violation risk factor definitions and Commission precedent. Until this can be done, the VRFs should remain the same as MOD-028-1.</p>

Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The indication of “Pending” for the VRFs is intended to indicate that the VRFs are not approved by FERC. The VRFs were not filed with the original filing, and were addressed separately due to NERC staff concerns that they did not comply with NERC’s VRF guidelines. Staff proposed VRFs were posted for industry comment January 7, 2009 through January 28, 2009. Staff made changes based on stakeholder feedback, and those VRFs were presented to and approved by the NERC Board of Trustees on November 4, 2010. The VRFs were filed with the Commission on December 1, 2010 (see http://www.nerc.com/files/Final_Final_VSL_filing_complete.pdf); FERC has not yet acted on them.

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If you have any other comments on the SAR or on the proposed Standard that you have not provided above, please provide them here.

Summary Consideration: Several commenters expressed concern regarding the updates to the compliance sections of the standard; however, these changes were administrative in nature related to language used to enforce compliance, and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.

Specifically, some commenters questioned the data retention section of the standard and how it should be applied. Data should be retained as stated in the original standard. The added language gives instruction for when the retention period is shorter than the time since the last audit. An entity is responsible for compliance for the entire time since the last audit and will be expected to demonstrate its compliance. The paragraph that was added to the Data Retention section of the standard was written by NERC Legal staff to notify entities of this responsibility and is not specific to MOD-028-2; this paragraph is being added to all standards as they are revised.. This paragraph is not intended to mandate that entities retain data beyond the data retention periods specified, but entities should be prepared to provide some form of evidence to indicate the standard was complied with. Retaining data is one way (but not the only way) in which such compliance could be demonstrated.

For reference, the relevant text from Appendix 4C of NERC's Rules of Procedure is included below:

3.1.4.2 Period Covered

The Registered Entity's data and information should show compliance with the Reliability Standards that are the subject of the Compliance Audit for the period beginning with the day after the prior audit by the Compliance Enforcement Authority ended (or the later of June 18, 2007 or the Registered Entity's date of registration if the Registered Entity has not previously been subject to a Compliance Audit), and ending with the End Date for the Compliance Audit. However, if another Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement process has been conducted with respect to the Registered Entity subsequent to the date that would otherwise be the start of the period, the period covered by the Compliance Audit may, in the Regional Entity's discretion, begin with the completion of that Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement process for those Reliability Standards requirements that were the subject of the Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement process. The End Date will be stated in the Compliance Enforcement Authority's notification of the Compliance Audit issued to the Registered Entity pursuant to Section 3.1.1. The Registered Entity will be expected to demonstrate compliance for the entire period described above. However, if a Reliability Standard specifies a document retention period that does not cover the entire period described above, the Registered Entity will not be found in noncompliance solely on the basis of the lack of specific information that has rightfully not been retained based on the retention period specified in the Reliability Standard. However, in such cases, the Compliance Enforcement Authority will require the Registered Entity to demonstrate compliance through other means.

One commenter identified a capitalization error in R3.1, which has been corrected as noted so that the term “daily” is not capitalized.

Organization	Yes or No	Question 4 Comment
Northern Indiana Public Service Co.	Abstain	In MISO, not covered by this standard
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment.</p>		
Keys Energy Services	Affirmative	<p>Although the added language in the Data Retention section of the standard reflects the current language in the Rules of Procedure, it is unwise to have to change standards on a Rules of Procedure change, e.g., if the Rules of Procedure language on data retention is changed, would all the standards that mirrored that language also need to be changed and resubmitted to FERC for approval? This is too burdensome. The added wording should be stricken. Another possible solution is to refer to the section of the Rules of Procedure in the standard such that if a change to the RoP occurs, the standard would not need to be changed. This would require that the section numbering of the RoP remain consistent to not cause a change in the standard, but, such a numbering change is less likely to occur than a change in the wording.</p>
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The changes to which you refer are administrative in nature related to language used to enforce compliance, and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.</p> <p>Data should be retained as stated in the original standard. The added language gives instruction for when the retention period is shorter than the time since the last audit. An entity is responsible for compliance for the entire time since the last audit and will be expected to demonstrate its compliance. The paragraph that was added to the Data Retention section of the standard was written by NERC Legal staff to notify entities of this responsibility and is not specific to MOD-028-2; this paragraph is being added to all standards as they are revised.. This is not intended to mandate that entities retain data beyond the data retention periods specified, but entities should be prepared to provide some form of evidence to indicate the standard was complied with. Retaining data is one way (but not the only way) in which such compliance could be demonstrated.</p>		

Organization	Yes or No	Question 4 Comment
Florida Municipal Power Agency	Affirmative	<p>Although the added language in the Data Retention section of the standard reflects the current language in the Rules of Procedure, FMPA believes it is unwise to have to change standards on a Rules of Procedure change, e.g., if the Rules of Procedure language on data retention is changed, would all the standards that mirrored that language also need to be changed and resubmitted to FERC for approval? FMPA believes this is too burdensome. The added wording should be stricken. Another possible solution is to refer to the section of the Rules of Procedure in the standard such that if a change to the RoP occurs, the standard would not need to be changed. This would require that the section numbering of the RoP remain consistent to not cause a change in the standard, but, such a numbering change is less likely to occur than a change in the wording.</p>
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The changes to which you refer are administrative in nature related to language used to enforce compliance, and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.</p> <p>An entity is responsible for compliance for the entire time since the last audit and will be expected to demonstrate its compliance. The paragraph that was added to the Data Retention section of the standard was written by NERC Legal staff to notify entities of this responsibility and is not specific to MOD-028-2; this paragraph is being added to all standards as they are revised.. The added language gives instruction for when the retention period is shorter than the time since the last audit. An entity may be asked to show compliance for the entire time since the last audit. This is not intended to mandate that entities retain data beyond the data retention periods specified, but entities should be prepared to provide some form of evidence to indicate the standard was complied with. Retaining data is one way (but not the only way) in which such compliance could be demonstrated.</p> <p>Your suggestion to refer to the section of the Rules of Procedures is inconsistent with the current guidance to drafting teams, but will be submitted to NERC Legal for consideration for future drafting efforts.</p>		
Cleco Power LLC	Negative	<p>Reference section 1.2 NERC should be clearer about what data time frames they wish for us to retain data. If they want us to retain all data or other supporting data since the last audit, they should just say "all data since the last audit should be retained."</p>
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The changes to which you refer are administrative in nature related to</p>		

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<p>Gainesville Regional Utilities</p>	<p>Negative</p>	<p>I am OK with the changes in R3 to consolidate the two time frames which are sensible and consistent with the intent of the original standard. But, the changes under section D1.1 are not within the scope of the SAR and were not part of the interpretation request. The changes under Section D1.2 were not part of the SAR or interpretation request and are inconsistent with the original standard drafted by the technical experts, and approved by the industry. I understand that the standards team was aware of the amount of data potentially involved with the different requirements, set specific time lines to allow for verification of compliance with the standard without creating an undue burden in terms of data management, storage and recovery. The Team and the Industry in approving the standard felt that those time frames were appropriate, and that not every piece of data - some of which changes multiple times in an hour - need to be retained for three plus years. Ideally the SAR team would reconsider this change and return to the time frames originally determined by the drafting team and industry. At a minimum however the SAR team should allow 180 days after regulatory approval since multiple applications provided by various third party vendors may need to be modified to accommodate this change. The Team should also clarify that this expanded evidence requirement applies from the effective date of MOD 028-2 and beyond since MOD 028-1 did not require this longer term retention and data may already have been deleted.</p>
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<p>Georgia Transmission Corporation</p>	<p>Negative</p>	<p>The proposed revision goes beyond FP&L’s request for interpretation. The VRF levels have been changed to “PENDING”. The SAR states, “Because FERC has not yet ruled on the VRFs for this standard, they have been marked as PENDING in order to not distract from the discussion of the modification.” Please describe what input was given by the Interpretation Team. Please describe how this change was done in accordance with Reliability Standards Consensus Development Process - Step 5 of the Reliability Standards Development Procedure. In Order 729, “the Commission accepts the ERO’s commitment to reevaluate the violation risk factors and violation severity levels associated with these MOD Reliability Standards through an open stakeholder process to ensure that they are consistent with the intent of violation risk factor definitions and Commission precedent.” Changing the VRF levels in this “Rapid” approach and requesting a parallel vote prior to obtaining industry feedback (1) is not an open stakeholder process, (2) is making changes to one MOD standard while leaving the other MOD standards unchanged, (3) leaves auditors and the industry without any guidance as to the VRFs for MOD-028-2 requirements, and (4) does not appear in accordance with the Reliability Standards Development Procedure. GTC recommends following the Commission’s determination outlined in Order 729 to reevaluate the VRF associated with ALL of the proposed MOD Reliability Standards through a separate, open stakeholder process which could ensure the VRFs and VSLs are consistent with the intent of violation risk factor definitions and Commission precedent.</p>

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<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The indication of “Pending” for the VRFs is intended to indicate that the VRFs are not approved by FERC. The VRFs were not filed with the original filing, and were addressed separately due to NERC staff concerns that they did not comply with NERC’s VRF guidelines. Staff proposed VRFs were posted for industry comment January 7, 2009 through January 28, 2009. Staff made changes based on stakeholder feedback, and those VRFs were presented to and approved by the NERC Board of Trustees on November 4, 2010. The VRFs were filed with the Commission on December 1, 2010 (http://www.nerc.com/files/Final_Final_VSL_filing_complete.pdf); FERC has not yet acted on them.</p>		
Lakeland Electric	Negative	<p>While the clarification provided is acceptable, the standard was also unacceptably modified to add increased data retention requirements as discussed in NERC Compliance Process Bulletin #2011-001. As the general rules governing data are subject to change they should not be placed within standards, especially when they seem to increase the data retention requirements beyond the SDT's original intent. Note that if the general rule changes - the standard will still have this additional data retention requirement and this is unacceptable.</p>
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The changes to which you refer are administrative in nature related to language used to enforce compliance, and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.</p> <p>Data should be retained as stated in the original standard. The added language gives instruction for when the retention period is shorter than the time since the last audit. An entity is responsible for compliance for the entire time since the last audit and will be expected to demonstrate its compliance. The paragraph that was added to the Data Retention section of the standard was written by NERC Legal staff to notify entities of this responsibility and is not specific to MOD-028-2; this paragraph is being added to all standards as they are revised. This is not intended to mandate that entities retain data beyond the data retention periods specified, but entities should be prepared to provide some form of evidence to indicate the standard was complied with. Retaining data is one way (but not the only way) in which such compliance could be demonstrated.</p>		
Orlando Utilities Commission	Negative	<p>The changes under Section D1.2 were not part of the SAR or interpretation request and are inconsistent with the original standard drafted by the technical experts, and approved by the industry. The standards team was aware of the amount of data potentially involved with the different requirements, and set specific storage limits to allow for verification of compliance with the standard without creating an undue</p>

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		burden in terms of data management, storage and recovery. As written this revised version effectively set's aside the time limits set by the drafting team and would require every piece of data to be indexed and retained for three years.
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Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Negative	The reason for voting against this is the insertion of language in section D.1.2. (Compliance, Data Retention) which is unreasonably broad and imposes new and immediate evidence requirements. Significant modifications to systems will likely be required to meet these requirements.
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The changes to which you refer are administrative in nature related to language used to enforce compliance, and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.</p> <p>Data should be retained as stated in the original standard. The added language gives instruction for when the retention period is shorter than the time since the last audit. An entity is responsible for compliance for the entire time since the last audit and will be expected to demonstrate its compliance. The paragraph that was added to the Data Retention section of the standard was written by NERC Legal staff to notify entities of this responsibility and is not specific to MOD-028-2; this paragraph is being added to all standards as they are revised. This is not intended to mandate entities retain data beyond the data retention periods specified, but entities should be prepared to provide some form of evidence to indicate the standard was complied with. Retaining the data is one way (but not the only way) in which such compliance could be demonstrated.</p>		
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Orlando Utilities Commission	Negative	Interpretation requests are for clarifying a standard, but cannot by definition change what the standard requires. The changes to the evidence required and the retention period is a change from the original standard and should not be made through an interpretation process, especially when the interpretation did not address evidence or retention period.
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The changes to which you refer are administrative in nature related to language used to enforce compliance, and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.</p> <p>Data should be retained as stated in the original standard. The added language gives instruction for when the retention period is shorter than the time since the last audit. An entity is responsible for compliance for the entire time since the last audit and will be expected to demonstrate its compliance. The paragraph that was added to the Data Retention section of the standard was written by NERC Legal staff to notify entities of this responsibility and is not specific to MOD-028-2; this paragraph is being added to all standards as they are revised. This is not intended to mandate entities retain data beyond the data retention periods specified, but entities should be prepared to provide some form of evidence to indicate the standard was complied with. Retaining the data is one way (but not the only way) in which such compliance could be demonstrated.</p>		
ReliabilityFirst		ReliabilityFirst agrees with that the redlined changes further clarify the intent of R3.1

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		but noticed one typo. The term “Daily” in part 3.1.3 should not be capitalized since the term “Daily” is not a definition listed in the NERC Glossary of terms.
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. R3.1 has been corrected as noted so that the term “daily” is not capitalized.</p>		
Northeast Power Coordinating Council		
NCEMC Reps		
ACES Power Marketing Standards Collaborators		
MRO NSRF		NONE
Duke Energy		
Georgia Transmission Corporation		
Manitoba Hydro		
Bonneville Power Administration		BPA has no comments or concerns at this time as BPA does not implement this standard.

END OF REPORT

Exhibit E

Record of Development of Proposed Reliability Standard

Project 2011-INT-01 Revision of MOD-028-1 to address FPL Request for Interpretation

[Related Files](#)

Status:

The standard and implementation plan were adopted by the Board of Trustees on February 9, 2012.

Background:

In May 2011, FPL requested an interpretation of MOD-028-1, Requirement R3.1. The requests asks for clarification of the timing and frequency of TTC calculations needed for ATC calculations. At its July 2011 meeting the Standards Committee approved addressing FPL’s request for interpretation through a rapid revision to the MOD-028-1 standard. The interpretation drafting team was appointed as the standard drafting team and directed to submit both a SAR and proposed revisions to MOD-028-1 addressing the issue raised in the RFI. Because the revisions are narrowly focused on addressing the clarification requested by FPL, the Standards Committee approved waiving the initial 30-day formal comment period and directed that the SAR and proposed revisions to the standard be posted for a 45-day parallel comment period and ballot.

Draft	Action	Dates	Results	Consideration of Comments
<p>Draft 2</p> <p>MOD-028-2 Clean(13)</p> <p>Redline Last Approved(14) Last Posted(15)</p> <p>Implementation Plan(16)</p> <p>Supporting Materials:</p>	<p>Recirculation Ballot</p> <p>Info(19)</p> <p>Vote>></p>	<p>12/12/11 - 12/22/11 (closed)</p>	<p>Summary(20)</p> <p>Full Record(21)</p>	

<p>FPL Request for Interpretation(17)</p> <p>SAR(18)</p>				
<p>Draft 1 SAR(1)</p> <p>MOD-028-2 Clean (2) Redline to Last Approved(3)</p> <p>Implementation Plan(4)</p> <p>Supporting Materials: FPL Request for Interpretation(5) Unofficial Comment Form(6)</p>	<p>Vote>></p>	<p>11/07/11 - 11/16/11 (closed)</p>	<p>Summary(9)</p> <p>Full Record(10)</p>	
	<p>Join Ballot Pool>></p>	<p>10/03/11 - 11/02/11 (closed)</p>		
	<p>Updated Info(7)</p> <p>Info(8)</p> <p>Submit Comment>></p>	<p>10/03/11 - 11/16/11 (closed)</p>	<p>Comments Received(11)</p>	<p>Consideration of Comments(12)</p>

Standard Authorization Request Form

Request Date	August 30, 2011
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SAR Requester Information	SAR Type (Check a box for each one that applies.)	
Individual, Group, or Committee Name Andrew Rodriguez	<input type="checkbox"/>	New Standard
Primary Contact (if Group or Committee) Andrew Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Revision to existing Standard
Company or Group Name NERC	<input type="checkbox"/>	Withdrawal of existing Standard
E-mail andy.rodriquez@nerc.net	<input type="checkbox"/>	Project Identified in Reliability Standards Development Plan (Project Number and Name:)
Telephone 404-446-2560	<input type="checkbox"/>	Modification to NERC Glossary term or addition of new term

<p>Brief Description of Proposed Standard Modifications/Actions (In three sentences or less, summarize the proposed actions a drafting team will be responsible for implementing.)</p> <p>This SAR proposes to modify MOD-028-1 R3.1 to address an ambiguity in the standard.</p>
<p>Need (Explain why the Standard is being developed or modified. Clearly indicate why the actions being proposed are needed for maintaining or improving bulk power system reliability, including an assessment of the reliability and market interface impacts. This is similar to the Purpose statement in a Reliability Standard.)</p> <p>N/A</p>
<p>Goals (Describe what must be accomplished in order to meet the above need. This section would become the Requirements in a Reliability Standard.)</p> <p>N/A</p>
<p>Objectives and/or Potential Future Metrics (Describe what the potential measure or criteria for success may be for determining the successful implementation of this request. Provide ideas for potential metrics to be developed and monitored in the future relative to this request, if any.)</p> <p>N/A</p>
<p>Detailed Description (In three paragraphs or more, provide a detailed description of the</p>

proposed actions a drafting team will be responsible for executing so that the team can efficiently implement this request. While you will check applicability boxes on the following page, this description must include proportional identification of to whom the standard should apply among industry participants.)

Sub-requirement R3.1 of MOD-028-1 states the following:

R3.1 For on-peak and off-peak intra-day and next-day TTCs, use the following (as well as any other values and additional parameters as specified in the ATCID):

NERC received a request to interpret this sub-requirement. The requester stated:

By using the words “on-peak”, “off-peak”, and “intra-day” this requirement implies there would have to be separate TTC numbers for different portions of the current day. However, R5 of MOD28 establishes the calculation frequencies and only requires an update to TTC once within the 7 days prior to the specified period where they are used in an ATC calculation. The clarification needed is on the ATC Drafting Team’s intent with respect to the quantity and timing of individual TTC calculations needed for use in the ATC calculations. Adherence to the implied intra day calculation requirement of R3.1 is resulting in additional work and creating coordination issues with other parties which are not calculating intra day TTC values.

While the Interpretation team was preparing its Interpretation, the Standards Committee requested the Interpretation Team use a “rapid modification” approach to clarify the requirement in question directly. The Interpretation Team is proposing the attached modification to the standard in lieu of an Interpretation.

Because FERC has not yet rules on the VRFs for this standard, they have been marked as PENDING in order to not distract from the discussion of the modification.

OPTIONAL: Technical Analysis Performed to Support Justification (Provide the results of any technical study or analysis performed to justify this request. Alternatively, if deemed necessary, propose a technical study or analysis that should be performed prior to a related standard development project being initiated in response to this request.)

N/A

Reliability Functions

The Standard(s) May Apply to the Following Functions (Check box for each one that applies.)		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Regional Entity	Conducts the regional activities related to planning and operations, and coordinates activities of Responsible Entities to secure the reliability of the Bulk Electric System within the region and adjacent regions.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Reliability Coordinator	Responsible for the real-time operating reliability of its Reliability Coordinator Area in coordination with its neighboring Reliability Coordinator's wide area view.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Balancing Authority	Integrates resource plans ahead of time, and maintains load-interchange-resource balance within a Balancing Authority Area and supports Interconnection frequency in real time.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Interchange Authority	Ensures communication of interchange transactions for reliability evaluation purposes and coordinates implementation of valid and balanced interchange schedules between Balancing Authority Areas.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Planning Coordinator	Assesses the longer-term reliability of its Planning Coordinator Area.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Resource Planner	Develops a >one year plan for the resource adequacy of its specific loads within a Planning Coordinator area.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Transmission Planner	Develops a >one year plan for the reliability of the interconnected Bulk Electric System within its portion of the Planning Coordinator area.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Transmission Service Provider	Administers the transmission tariff and provides transmission services under applicable transmission service agreements (e.g., the pro forma tariff).
<input type="checkbox"/>	Transmission Owner	Owns and maintains transmission facilities.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Transmission Operator	Ensures the real-time operating reliability of the transmission assets within a Transmission Operator Area.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Distribution Provider	Delivers electrical energy to the End-use customer.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Generator Owner	Owns and maintains generation facilities.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Generator Operator	Operates generation unit(s) to provide real and reactive power.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Purchasing-Selling Entity	Purchases or sells energy, capacity, and necessary reliability-related services as required.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Market Operator	Interface point for reliability functions with commercial functions.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Load-Serving Entity	Secures energy and transmission service (and reliability-related services) to serve the End-use Customer.

Reliability and Market Interface Principles

Applicable Reliability Principles (Check box for all that apply.)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1. Interconnected bulk power systems shall be planned and operated in a coordinated manner to perform reliably under normal and abnormal conditions as defined in the NERC Standards.
<input type="checkbox"/>	2. The frequency and voltage of interconnected bulk power systems shall be controlled within defined limits through the balancing of real and reactive power supply and demand.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3. Information necessary for the planning and operation of interconnected bulk power systems shall be made available to those entities responsible for planning and operating the systems reliably.
<input type="checkbox"/>	4. Plans for emergency operation and system restoration of interconnected bulk power systems shall be developed, coordinated, maintained and implemented.
<input type="checkbox"/>	5. Facilities for communication, monitoring and control shall be provided, used and maintained for the reliability of interconnected bulk power systems.
<input type="checkbox"/>	6. Personnel responsible for planning and operating interconnected bulk power systems shall be trained, qualified, and have the responsibility and authority to implement actions.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	7. The security of the interconnected bulk power systems shall be assessed, monitored and maintained on a wide area basis.
<input type="checkbox"/>	8. Bulk power systems shall be protected from malicious physical or cyber attacks.
Does the proposed Standard(s) comply with all of the following Market Interface Principles? (Select 'yes' or 'no' from the drop-down box.)	
1. A reliability standard shall not give any market participant an unfair competitive advantage. Yes	
2. A reliability standard shall neither mandate nor prohibit any specific market structure. Yes	
3. A reliability standard shall not preclude market solutions to achieving compliance with that standard. Yes	

4. A reliability standard shall not require the public disclosure of commercially sensitive information. All market participants shall have equal opportunity to access commercially non-sensitive information that is required for compliance with reliability standards. Yes

Related Standards

Standard No.	Explanation

Related Projects

Project ID and Title	Explanation

Regional Variances

Region	Explanation
ERCOT	
FRCC	
MRO	
NPCC	
SERC	
RFC	
SPP	
WECC	

A. Introduction

1. **Title: Area Interchange Methodology**
2. **Number: MOD-028-2**
3. **Purpose:** To increase consistency and reliability in the development and documentation of Transfer Capability calculations for short-term use performed by entities using the Area Interchange Methodology to support analysis and system operations.
4. **Applicability:**
 - 4.1. Each Transmission Operator that uses the Area Interchange Methodology to calculate Total Transfer Capabilities (TTCs) for ATC Paths.
 - 4.2. Each Transmission Service Provider that uses the Area Interchange Methodology to calculate Available Transfer Capabilities (ATCs) for ATC Paths.
5. **Proposed Effective Date:** In those jurisdictions where regulatory approval is required, this standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter beginning no less than 60 days after applicable regulatory approval. In those jurisdictions where no regulatory approval is required, this standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter beginning no less than 60 days after Board of Trustees approval.

B. Requirements

- R1. Each Transmission Service Provider shall include in its Available Transfer Capability Implementation Document (ATCID), at a minimum, the following information relative to its methodology for determining Total Transfer Capability (TTC): [*Violation Risk Factor: PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]
 - 1.1. Information describing how the selected methodology has been implemented, in such detail that, given the same information used by the Transmission Operator, the results of the TTC calculations can be validated.
 - 1.2. A description of the manner in which the Transmission Operator will account for Interchange Schedules in the calculation of TTC.
 - 1.3. Any contractual obligations for allocation of TTC.
 - 1.4. A description of the manner in which Contingencies are identified for use in the TTC process.
 - 1.5. The following information on how source and sink for transmission service is accounted for in ATC calculations including:
 - 1.5.1. Define if the source used for Available Transfer Capability (ATC) calculations is obtained from the source field or the Point of Receipt (POR) field of the transmission reservation
 - 1.5.2. Define if the sink used for ATC calculations is obtained from the sink field or the Point of Delivery (POD) field of the transmission reservation

- 1.5.3. The source/sink or POR/POD identification and mapping to the model.
 - 1.5.4. If the Transmission Service Provider's ATC calculation process involves a grouping of generation, the ATCID must identify how these generators participate in the group.
- R2. When calculating TTC for ATC Paths, the Transmission Operator shall use a Transmission model that contains all of the following: [*Violation Risk Factor: PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]
 - 2.1. Modeling data and topology of its Reliability Coordinator's area of responsibility. Equivalent representation of radial lines and facilities 161 kV or below is allowed.
 - 2.2. Modeling data and topology (or equivalent representation) for immediately adjacent and beyond Reliability Coordination areas.
 - 2.3. Facility Ratings specified by the Generator Owners and Transmission Owners.
- R3. When calculating TTCs for ATC Paths, the Transmission Operator shall include the following data for the Transmission Service Provider's area. The Transmission Operator shall also include the following data associated with Facilities that are explicitly represented in the Transmission model, as provided by adjacent Transmission Service Providers and any other Transmission Service Providers with which coordination agreements have been executed: [*Violation Risk Factor: PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]
 - 3.1. For TTCs, use the following (as well as any other values and additional parameters as specified in the ATCID):
 - 3.1.1. Expected generation and Transmission outages, additions, and retirements, included as specified in the ATCID.
 - 3.1.2. A daily or hourly load forecast for TTCs used in current-day and next-day ATC calculations.
 - 3.1.3. A Daily load forecast for TTCs used in ATC calculations for days two through 31.
 - 3.1.4. A monthly load forecast for TTCs used in ATC calculations for months two through 13 months TTCs.
 - 3.1.5. Unit commitment and dispatch order, to include all designated network resources and other resources that are committed or have the legal obligation to run, (within or out of economic dispatch) as they are expected to run.
- R4. When calculating TTCs for ATC Paths, the Transmission Operator shall meet all of the following conditions: [*Violation Risk Factor: PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]
 - 4.1. Use all Contingencies meeting the criteria described in the ATCID.
 - 4.2. Respect any contractual allocations of TTC.

- 4.3.** Include, for each time period, the Firm Transmission Service expected to be scheduled as specified in the ATCID (filtered to reduce or eliminate duplicate impacts from transactions using Transmission service from multiple Transmission Service Providers) for the Transmission Service Provider, all adjacent Transmission Service Providers, and any Transmission Service Providers with which coordination agreements have been executed modeling the source and sink as follows:
- If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and it is discretely modeled in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the discretely modeled point as the source.
 - If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can be mapped to an "equivalence" or "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the modeled equivalence or aggregate as the source.
 - If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point cannot be mapped to a discretely modeled point, an "equivalence," or an "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider from which the power is to be received as the source.
 - If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has not been identified in the reservation, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider from which the power is to be received as the source.
 - If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and it is discretely modeled in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the discretely modeled point shall as the sink.
 - If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can be mapped to an "equivalence" or "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the modeled equivalence or aggregate as the sink.
 - If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can not be mapped to a discretely modeled point, an "equivalence," or an "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider to which the power is to be delivered as the sink.
 - If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has not been identified in the reservation, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider to which the power is being delivered as the sink.

- R5.** Each Transmission Operator shall establish TTC for each ATC Path as defined below:
[Violation Risk Factor: PENDING] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]
- 5.1.** At least once within the seven calendar days prior to the specified period for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations.
 - 5.2.** At least once per calendar month for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.
 - 5.3.** Within 24 hours of the unexpected outage of a 500 kV or higher transmission Facility or a transformer with a low-side voltage of 200 kV or higher for TTCs in effect during the anticipated duration of the outage, provided such outage is expected to last 24 hours or longer.
- R6.** Each Transmission Operator shall establish TTC for each ATC Path using the following process: *[Violation Risk Factor: PENDING] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]*
- 6.1.** Determine the incremental Transfer Capability for each ATC Path by increasing generation and/or decreasing load within the source Balancing Authority area and decreasing generation and/or increasing load within the sink Balancing Authority area until either:
 - A System Operating Limit is reached on the Transmission Service Provider’s system, or
 - A SOL is reached on any other adjacent system in the Transmission model that is not on the study path and the distribution factor is 5% or greater¹.
 - 6.2.** If the limit in step R6.1 can not be reached by adjusting any combination of load or generation, then set the incremental Transfer Capability by the results of the case where the maximum adjustments were applied.
 - 6.3.** Use (as the TTC) the lesser of:
 - The sum of the incremental Transfer Capability and the impacts of Firm Transmission Services, as specified in the Transmission Service Provider’s ATCID, that were included in the study model, or
 - The sum of Facility Ratings of all ties comprising the ATC Path.
 - 6.4.** For ATC Paths whose capacity uses jointly-owned or allocated Facilities, limit TTC for each Transmission Service Provider so the TTC does not exceed each Transmission Service Provider’s contractual rights.
- R7.** The Transmission Operator shall provide the Transmission Service Provider of that ATC Path with the most current value for TTC for that ATC Path no more than:
[Violation Risk Factor: PENDING] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]
- 7.1.** One calendar day after its determination for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations.
 - 7.2.** Seven calendar days after its determination for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.

¹ The Transmission operator may honor distribution factors less than 5% if desired.

- R8.** When calculating Existing Transmission Commitments (ETCs) for firm commitments (ETC_F) for all time periods for an ATC Path the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm: [*Violation Risk Factor: PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]

$$ETC_F = NITS_F + GF_F + PTP_F + ROR_F + OS_F$$

Where:

NITS_F is the firm capacity set aside for Network Integration Transmission Service (including the capacity used to serve bundled load within the Transmission Service Provider's area with external sources) on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

GF_F is the firm capacity set aside for Grandfathered Firm Transmission Service and contracts for energy and/or Transmission Service, where executed prior to the effective date of a Transmission Service Provider's Open Access Transmission Tariff or safe harbor tariff on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

PTP_F is the firm capacity reserved for confirmed Point-to-Point Transmission Service.

ROR_F is the capacity reserved for roll-over rights for Firm Transmission Service contracts granting Transmission Customers the right of first refusal to take or continue to take Transmission Service when the Transmission Customer's Transmission Service contract expires or is eligible for renewal.

OS_F is the firm capacity reserved for any other service(s), contract(s), or agreement(s) not specified above using Firm Transmission Service, including any other firm adjustments to reflect impacts from other ATC Paths of the Transmission Service Provider as specified in the ATCID.

- R9.** When calculating ETC for non-firm commitments (ETC_{NF}) for all time periods for an ATC Path the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm: [*Violation Risk Factor: PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]

$$ETC_{NF} = NITS_{NF} + GF_{NF} + PTP_{NF} + OS_{NF}$$

Where:

NITS_{NF} is the non-firm capacity set aside for Network Integration Transmission Service (i.e., secondary service, including the capacity used to serve bundled load within the Transmission Service Provider's area with external sources) reserved on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

GF_{NF} is the non-firm capacity reserved for Grandfathered Non-Firm Transmission Service and contracts for energy and/or Transmission Service, where executed prior to the effective date of a Transmission Service Provider's Open Access Transmission Tariff or safe harbor tariff on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

PTP_{NF} is non-firm capacity reserved for confirmed Point-to-Point Transmission Service.

OS_{NF} is the non-firm capacity reserved for any other service(s), contract(s), or agreement(s) not specified above using Non-Firm Transmission Service, including any other firm adjustments to reflect impacts from other ATC Paths of the Transmission Service Provider as specified in the ATCID.

- R10.** When calculating firm ATC for an ATC Path for a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider shall utilize the following algorithm: [*Violation Risk Factor: PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]

$$ATC_F = TTC - ETC_F - CBM - TRM + Postbacks_F + counterflows_F$$

Where:

ATC_F is the firm Available Transfer Capability for the ATC Path for that period.

TTC is the Total Transfer Capability of the ATC Path for that period.

ETC_F is the sum of existing firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

CBM is the Capacity Benefit Margin for the ATC Path during that period.

TRM is the Transmission Reliability Margin for the ATC Path during that period.

Postbacks_F are changes to firm ATC due to a change in the use of Transmission Service for that period, as defined in Business Practices.

counterflows_F are adjustments to firm ATC as determined by the Transmission Service Provider and specified in the ATCID.

- R11.** When calculating non-firm ATC for a ATC Path for a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm: [*Violation Risk Factor: PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]

$$ATC_{NF} = TTC - ETC_F - ETC_{NF} - CBM_S - TRM_U + Postbacks_{NF} + counterflows_{NF}$$

Where:

ATC_{NF} is the non-firm Available Transfer Capability for the ATC Path for that period.

TTC is the Total Transfer Capability of the ATC Path for that period.

ETC_F is the sum of existing firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

ETC_{NF} is the sum of existing non-firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

CBM_S is the Capacity Benefit Margin for the ATC Path that has been scheduled without a separate reservation during that period.

TRM_U is the Transmission Reliability Margin for the ATC Path that has not been released for sale (unreleased) as non-firm capacity by the Transmission Service Provider during that period.

Postbacks_{NF} are changes to non-firm ATC due to a change in the use of Transmission Service for that period, as defined in Business Practices.

counterflows_{NF} are adjustments to non-firm ATC as determined by the Transmission Service Provider and specified in the ATCID.

C. Measures

- M1.** Each Transmission Service Provider shall provide its current ATCID that has the information described in R1 to show compliance with R1. (R1)
- M2.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence including the model used to calculate TTC as well as other evidence (such as Facility Ratings provided by facility owners, written documentation, logs, and data) to show that the modeling requirements in R2 were met. (R2)
- M3.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence, including scheduled outages, facility additions and retirements, (such as written documentation, logs, and data) that the data described in R3 and R4 were included in the determination of TTC as specified in the ATCID. (R3)
- M4.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide the contingencies used in determining TTC and the ATCID as evidence to show that the contingencies described in the ATCID were included in the determination of TTC. (R4)
- M5.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide copies of contracts that contain requirements to allocate TTCs and TTC values to show that any contractual allocations of TTC were respected as required in R4.2. (R4)
- M6.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as copies of coordination agreements, reservations, interchange transactions, or other documentation) to show that firm reservations were used to estimate scheduled interchange, the modeling of scheduled interchange was based on the rules described in R4.3, and that estimated scheduled interchange was included in the determination of TTC. (R4)
- M7.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as logs and data and dated copies of requests from the Transmission Service Provider to establish TTCs at specific intervals) that TTCs have been established at least once in the calendar week prior to the specified period for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations, at least once per calendar month for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations, and within 24 hours of the unexpected outage of a 500 kV or higher transmission Facility or a autotransformer with a low-side voltage of 200 kV or higher for TTCs in effect during the anticipated duration of the outage; provided such outage is expected to last 24 hours or longer in duration per the specifications in R5.(R5)
- M8.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as written documentation) that TTCs have been calculated using the process described in R6. (R6)
- M9.** Each Transmission Operator shall have evidence including a copy of the latest calculated TTC values along with a dated copy of email notices or other equivalent evidence to show that it provided its Transmission Service Provider with the most current values for TTC in accordance with R7. (R7)

- M10.** The Transmission Service Provider shall demonstrate compliance with R8 by recalculating firm ETC for any specific time period as described in (MOD-001 R2), using the algorithm defined in R8 and with data used to calculate the specified value for the designated time period. The data used must meet the requirements specified in MOD-028-1 and the ATCID. To account for differences that may occur when recalculating the value (due to mixing automated and manual processes), any recalculated value that is within +/- 15% or 15 MW, whichever is greater, of the originally calculated value, is evidence that the Transmission Service Provider used the algorithm in R8 to calculate its firm ETC. (R8)
- M11.** The Transmission Service Provider shall demonstrate compliance with R9 by recalculating non-firm ETC for any specific time period as described in (MOD-001 R2), using the algorithm defined in R9 and with data used to calculate the specified value for the designated time period. The data used must meet the requirements specified in MOD-028-1 and the ATCID. To account for differences that may occur when recalculating the value (due to mixing automated and manual processes), any recalculated value that is within +/- 15% or 15 MW, whichever is greater, of the originally calculated value, is evidence that the Transmission Service Provider used the algorithm in R8 to calculate its non-firm ETC. (R9)
- M12.** Each Transmission Service Provider shall produce the supporting documentation for the processes used to implement the algorithm that calculates firm ATCs, as required in R10. Such documentation must show that only the variables allowed in R10 were used to calculate firm ATCs, and that the processes use the current values for the variables as determined in the requirements or definitions. Note that any variable may legitimately be zero if the value is not applicable or calculated to be zero (such as counterflows, TRM, CBM, etc...). The supporting documentation may be provided in the same form and format as stored by the Transmission Service Provider. (R10)
- M13.** Each Transmission Service Provider shall produce the supporting documentation for the processes used to implement the algorithm that calculates non-firm ATCs, as required in R11. Such documentation must show that only the variables allowed in R11 were used to calculate non-firm ATCs, and that the processes use the current values for the variables as determined in the requirements or definitions. Note that any variable may legitimately be zero if the value is not applicable or calculated to be zero (such as counterflows, TRM, CBM, etc...). The supporting documentation may be provided in the same form and format as stored by the Transmission Service Provider. (R11)

D. Compliance

1. Compliance Monitoring Process

1.1. Compliance Enforcement Authority

For entities that do not work for the Regional Entity, the Regional Entity shall serve as the Compliance Enforcement Authority.

For functional entities that work for their Regional Entity, the ERO or a Regional Entity approved by the ERO and FERC or other applicable governmental authorities shall serve as the Compliance Enforcement Authority.

1.2. Data Retention

The following evidence retention periods identify the period of time an entity is required to retain specific evidence to demonstrate compliance. For instances where the evidence retention period specified below is shorter than the time since the last audit, the Compliance Enforcement Authority may ask an entity to provide other evidence to show that it was compliant for the full time period since the last audit.

The Transmission Operator and Transmission Service Provider shall keep data or evidence to show compliance as identified below unless directed by its Compliance Enforcement Authority to retain specific evidence for a longer period of time as part of an investigation:

- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain its current, in force ATCID and any prior versions of the ATCID that were in force since the last compliance audit to show compliance with R1.
- The Transmission Operator shall have its latest model used to calculate TTC and evidence of the previous version to show compliance with R2.
- The Transmission Operator shall retain evidence to show compliance with R3 for the most recent 12 months or until the model used to calculate TTC is updated, whichever is longer.
- The Transmission Operator shall retain evidence to show compliance with R4, R5, R6 and R7 for the most recent 12 months.
- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain evidence to show compliance in calculating hourly values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 14 days; evidence to show compliance in calculating daily values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 30 days; and evidence to show compliance in calculating monthly values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 60 days.
- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain evidence to show compliance with R10 and R11 for the most recent 12 months.
- If a Transmission Service Provider or Transmission Operator is found non-compliant, it shall keep information related to the non-compliance until found compliant.
- The Compliance Enforcement Authority shall keep the last audit records and all requested and submitted subsequent audit records.

1.3. Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Processes:

The following processes may be used:

- Compliance Audits
- Self-Certifications
- Spot Checking
- Compliance Violation Investigations
- Self-Reporting
- Complaints

1.4. Additional Compliance Information

None.

2. Violation Severity Levels

R #	Lower VSL	Moderate VSL	High VSL	Severe VSL
R1.	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing two of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing three of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing more than three of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements)
R2.	<p>The Transmission Operator used one to ten Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model.</p>	<p>The Transmission Operator used eleven to twenty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model.</p>	<p>One or both of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator used twenty-one to thirty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model. • The Transmission Operator did not use a Transmission model that includes modeling data and topology (or equivalent representation) for one adjacent Reliability Coordinator Area. 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator used more than thirty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model. • The Transmission Operator's model includes equivalent representation of non-radial facilities greater than 161 kV for its own Reliability Coordinator Area. • The Transmission Operator did not use a Transmission model that includes modeling data and topology (or equivalent representation) for two or more adjacent Reliability Coordinator

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				Areas.
R3.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process one to ten expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process eleven to twenty-five expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process twenty-six to fifty expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	One or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process more than fifty expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID. • The Transmission Operator did not include the Load forecast or unit commitment in its TTC calculation as described in R3.
R4.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R4.3 for more than zero reservations, but not more than 5% of all reservations; or 1 reservation, whichever is greater.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R4.3 for more than 5%, but not more than 10% of all reservations; or 2 reservations, whichever is greater.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R4.3 for more than 10%, but not more than 15% of all reservations; or 3 reservations, whichever is greater.	One or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC calculation the contingencies that met the criteria described in the ATCID. • The Transmission Operator did not respect contractual allocations of TTC. • The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R4.3 for more than 15% of all reservations; or more than 3 reservations, whichever is greater. • The Transmission Operator did not use firm reservations to estimate interchange or did not

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				utilize that estimate in the TTC calculation as described in R4.3.
R5.	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in hourly or daily ATCs within 7 calendar days but did establish the values within 10 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a calendar month but did establish the values within the next consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in hourly or daily ATCs in 10 calendar days but did establish the values within 13 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a two consecutive calendar month period but did establish the values within the third consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for used in hourly or daily ATCs in 13 calendar days but did establish the values within 16 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a three consecutive calendar month period but did establish the values within the fourth consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for used in hourly or daily ATCs in 16 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a four or more consecutive calendar month period The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs within 24 hrs of the triggers defined in R5.3
R6.	N/A	N/A	N/A	The Transmission Operator did not calculate TTCs per the process specified in R6.
R7.	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than one calendar day after their determination, but not been more than two calendar days after their determination. 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than two calendar days after their determination, but not been more than three calendar days after their determination. 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than three calendar days after their determination, but not been more than four calendar days after their determination. 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than four calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator did not provide its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than seven calendar days after their determination, but not more than 14 calendar days since their determination. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 14 calendar days after their determination, but not been more than 21 calendar days after their determination. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 21 calendar days after their determination, but not been more than 28 calendar days after their determination. 	<p>Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 28 calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator did not provide its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.
R8.	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 15% of the value calculated in the measure or 15MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater.</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater.</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.</p>
R9.	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 15% of the value calculated in</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 25% of the value calculated in</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 35% of the value calculated in</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure</p>

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	the measure or 15MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater.	the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater...	the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.	or 45MW, whichever is greater.
R10.	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than zero ATC Paths, but not more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater), but not more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater), but not more than 15% of all ATC Paths or 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 15% of all ATC Paths or more than 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).
R11.	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than zero ATC Paths, but not more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater), but not more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater), but not more than 15% of all ATC Paths or 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 15% of all ATC Paths or more than 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).

A. Introduction

1. **Title: Area Interchange Methodology**
2. **Number: MOD-028-~~12~~**
3. **Purpose:** To increase consistency and reliability in the development and documentation of Transfer Capability calculations for short-term use performed by entities using the Area Interchange Methodology to support analysis and system operations.
4. **Applicability:**
 - 4.1. Each Transmission Operator that uses the Area Interchange Methodology to calculate Total Transfer Capabilities (TTCs) for ATC Paths.
 - 4.2. Each Transmission Service Provider that uses the Area Interchange Methodology to calculate Available Transfer Capabilities (ATCs) for ATC Paths.
5. **Proposed Effective Date:** ~~First day of the first calendar quarter that is twelve months beyond the date that all four standards (MOD-001-1, MOD-028-1, MOD-029-1, and MOD-030-1) are approved by all applicable regulatory authorities.~~ In those jurisdictions where regulatory approval is required, this standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter beginning no less than 60 days after applicable regulatory approval. In those jurisdictions where no regulatory approval is required, this standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter beginning no less than 60 days after Board of Trustees approval.

B. Requirements

- R1. Each Transmission Service Provider shall include in its Available Transfer Capability Implementation Document (ATCID), at a minimum, the following information relative to its methodology for determining Total Transfer Capability (TTC): [*Violation Risk Factor: ~~Lower~~PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]
 - 1.1. Information describing how the selected methodology has been implemented, in such detail that, given the same information used by the Transmission Operator, the results of the TTC calculations can be validated.
 - 1.2. A description of the manner in which the Transmission Operator will account for Interchange Schedules in the calculation of TTC.
 - 1.3. Any contractual obligations for allocation of TTC.
 - 1.4. A description of the manner in which Contingencies are identified for use in the TTC process.
 - 1.5. The following information on how source and sink for transmission service is accounted for in ATC calculations including:
 - 1.5.1. Define if the source used for Available Transfer Capability (ATC) calculations is obtained from the source field or the Point of Receipt (POR) field of the transmission reservation

~~3.2. For days two through 31 TTCs and for months two through 13 TTCs, use the following (as well as any other values and internal parameters as specified in the ATCID):~~

~~3.2.1. Expected generation and Transmission outages, additions, and Retirements, included as specified in the ATCID.~~

~~3.2.2. Daily load forecast for the days two through 31 TTCs being calculated and monthly forecast for months two through 13 months TTCs being calculated.~~

~~3.2.3. Unit commitment and dispatch order, to include all designated network resources and other resources that are committed or have the legal obligation to run, (within or out of economic dispatch) as they are expected to run.~~

R4. When calculating TTCs for ATC Paths, the Transmission Operator shall meet all of the following conditions: [*Violation Risk Factor: ~~Lower~~PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]

4.1. Use all Contingencies meeting the criteria described in the ATCID.

4.2. Respect any contractual allocations of TTC.

4.3. Include, for each time period, the Firm Transmission Service expected to be scheduled as specified in the ATCID (filtered to reduce or eliminate duplicate impacts from transactions using Transmission service from multiple Transmission Service Providers) for the Transmission Service Provider, all adjacent Transmission Service Providers, and any Transmission Service Providers with which coordination agreements have been executed modeling the source and sink as follows:

- If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and it is discretely modeled in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the discretely modeled point as the source.
- If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can be mapped to an "equivalence" or "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the modeled equivalence or aggregate as the source.
- If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point cannot be mapped to a discretely modeled point, an "equivalence," or an "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider from which the power is to be received as the source.
- If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has not been identified in the reservation, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider from which the power is to be received as the source.

- If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and it is discretely modeled in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the discretely modeled point shall as the sink.
- If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can be mapped to an "equivalence" or "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the modeled equivalence or aggregate as the sink.
- If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can not be mapped to a discretely modeled point, an "equivalence," or an "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider to which the power is to be delivered as the sink.
- If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has not been identified in the reservation, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider to which the power is being delivered as the sink.

R5. Each Transmission Operator shall establish TTC for each ATC Path as defined below: *[Violation Risk Factor: ~~Lower~~PENDING] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]*

- 5.1.** At least once within the seven calendar days prior to the specified period for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations.
- 5.2.** At least once per calendar month for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.
- 5.3.** Within 24 hours of the unexpected outage of a 500 kV or higher transmission Facility or a transformer with a low-side voltage of 200 kV or higher for TTCs in effect during the anticipated duration of the outage, provided such outage is expected to last 24 hours or longer.

R6. Each Transmission Operator shall establish TTC for each ATC Path using the following process: *[Violation Risk Factor: ~~Lower~~PENDING] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]*

- 6.1.** Determine the incremental Transfer Capability for each ATC Path by increasing generation and/or decreasing load within the source Balancing Authority area and decreasing generation and/or increasing load within the sink Balancing Authority area until either:
 - A System Operating Limit is reached on the Transmission Service Provider's system, or
 - A SOL is reached on any other adjacent system in the Transmission model that is not on the study path and the distribution factor is 5% or greater¹.

¹ The Transmission operator may honor distribution factors less than 5% if desired.

- 6.2.** If the limit in step R6.1 can not be reached by adjusting any combination of load or generation, then set the incremental Transfer Capability by the results of the case where the maximum adjustments were applied.
- 6.3.** Use (as the TTC) the lesser of:
- The sum of the incremental Transfer Capability and the impacts of Firm Transmission Services, as specified in the Transmission Service Provider’s ATCID, that were included in the study model, or
 - The sum of Facility Ratings of all ties comprising the ATC Path.
- 6.4.** For ATC Paths whose capacity uses jointly-owned or allocated Facilities, limit TTC for each Transmission Service Provider so the TTC does not exceed each Transmission Service Provider’s contractual rights.
- R7.** The Transmission Operator shall provide the Transmission Service Provider of that ATC Path with the most current value for TTC for that ATC Path no more than: *[Violation Risk Factor: ~~Lower~~PENDING] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]*
- 7.1.** One calendar day after its determination for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations.
- 7.2.** Seven calendar days after its determination for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.
- R8.** When calculating Existing Transmission Commitments (ETCs) for firm commitments (ETC_F) for all time periods for an ATC Path the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm: *[Violation Risk Factor: ~~Lower~~PENDING] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]*

$$ETC_F = NITS_F + GF_F + PTP_F + ROR_F + OS_F$$

Where:

NITS_F is the firm capacity set aside for Network Integration Transmission Service (including the capacity used to serve bundled load within the Transmission Service Provider’s area with external sources) on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

GF_F is the firm capacity set aside for Grandfathered Firm Transmission Service and contracts for energy and/or Transmission Service, where executed prior to the effective date of a Transmission Service Provider’s Open Access Transmission Tariff or safe harbor tariff on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

PTP_F is the firm capacity reserved for confirmed Point-to-Point Transmission Service.

ROR_F is the capacity reserved for roll-over rights for Firm Transmission Service contracts granting Transmission Customers the right of first refusal to take or continue to take Transmission Service when the Transmission Customer’s Transmission Service contract expires or is eligible for renewal.

OS_F is the firm capacity reserved for any other service(s), contract(s), or agreement(s) not specified above using Firm Transmission Service, including any other firm adjustments to reflect impacts from other ATC Paths of the Transmission Service Provider as specified in the ATCID.

- R9.** When calculating ETC for non-firm commitments (ETC_{NF}) for all time periods for an ATC Path the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm:
[Violation Risk Factor: ~~Lower~~PENDING] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]

$$ETC_{NF} = NITS_{NF} + GF_{NF} + PTP_{NF} + OS_{NF}$$

Where:

NITS_{NF} is the non-firm capacity set aside for Network Integration Transmission Service (i.e., secondary service, including the capacity used to serve bundled load within the Transmission Service Provider's area with external sources) reserved on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

GF_{NF} is the non-firm capacity reserved for Grandfathered Non-Firm Transmission Service and contracts for energy and/or Transmission Service, where executed prior to the effective date of a Transmission Service Provider's Open Access Transmission Tariff or safe harbor tariff on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

PTP_{NF} is non-firm capacity reserved for confirmed Point-to-Point Transmission Service.

OS_{NF} is the non-firm capacity reserved for any other service(s), contract(s), or agreement(s) not specified above using Non-Firm Transmission Service, including any other firm adjustments to reflect impacts from other ATC Paths of the Transmission Service Provider as specified in the ATCID.

- R10.** When calculating firm ATC for an ATC Path for a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider shall utilize the following algorithm: [Violation Risk Factor: ~~Lower~~PENDING] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]

$$ATC_F = TTC - ETC_F - CBM - TRM + Postbacks_F + counterflows_F$$

Where:

ATC_F is the firm Available Transfer Capability for the ATC Path for that period.

TTC is the Total Transfer Capability of the ATC Path for that period.

ETC_F is the sum of existing firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

CBM is the Capacity Benefit Margin for the ATC Path during that period.

TRM is the Transmission Reliability Margin for the ATC Path during that period.

Postbacks_F are changes to firm ATC due to a change in the use of Transmission Service for that period, as defined in Business Practices.

counterflows_F are adjustments to firm ATC as determined by the Transmission Service Provider and specified in the ATCID.

- R11.** When calculating non-firm ATC for a ATC Path for a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm: [*Violation Risk Factor: ~~Lower~~PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]

$$ATC_{NF} = TTC - ETC_F - ETC_{NF} - CBM_S - TRM_U + Postbacks_{NF} + counterflows_{NF}$$

Where:

ATC_{NF} is the non-firm Available Transfer Capability for the ATC Path for that period.

TTC is the Total Transfer Capability of the ATC Path for that period.

ETC_F is the sum of existing firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

ETC_{NF} is the sum of existing non-firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

CBM_S is the Capacity Benefit Margin for the ATC Path that has been scheduled without a separate reservation during that period.

TRM_U is the Transmission Reliability Margin for the ATC Path that has not been released for sale (unreleased) as non-firm capacity by the Transmission Service Provider during that period.

Postbacks_{NF} are changes to non-firm ATC due to a change in the use of Transmission Service for that period, as defined in Business Practices.

counterflows_{NF} are adjustments to non-firm ATC as determined by the Transmission Service Provider and specified in the ATCID.

C. Measures

- M1.** Each Transmission Service Provider shall provide its current ATCID that has the information described in R1 to show compliance with R1. (R1)
- M2.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence including the model used to calculate TTC as well as other evidence (such as Facility Ratings provided by facility owners, written documentation, logs, and data) to show that the modeling requirements in R2 were met. (R2)
- M3.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence, including scheduled outages, facility additions and retirements, (such as written documentation, logs, and data) that the data described in R3 and R4 were included in the determination of TTC as specified in the ATCID. (R3)
- M4.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide the contingencies used in determining TTC and the ATCID as evidence to show that the contingencies described in the ATCID were included in the determination of TTC. (R4)

- M5.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide copies of contracts that contain requirements to allocate TTCs and TTC values to show that any contractual allocations of TTC were respected as required in R4.2. (R4)
- M6.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as copies of coordination agreements, reservations, interchange transactions, or other documentation) to show that firm reservations were used to estimate scheduled interchange, the modeling of scheduled interchange was based on the rules described in R4.3, and that estimated scheduled interchange was included in the determination of TTC. (R4)
- M7.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as logs and data and dated copies of requests from the Transmission Service Provider to establish TTCs at specific intervals) that TTCs have been established at least once in the calendar week prior to the specified period for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations, at least once per calendar month for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations, and within 24 hours of the unexpected outage of a 500 kV or higher transmission Facility or a autotransformer with a low-side voltage of 200 kV or higher for TTCs in effect during the anticipated duration of the outage; provided such outage is expected to last 24 hours or longer in duration per the specifications in R5.(R5)
- M8.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as written documentation) that TTCs have been calculated using the process described in R6. (R6)
- M9.** Each Transmission Operator shall have evidence including a copy of the latest calculated TTC values along with a dated copy of email notices or other equivalent evidence to show that it provided its Transmission Service Provider with the most current values for TTC in accordance with R7. (R7)
- M10.** The Transmission Service Provider shall demonstrate compliance with R8 by recalculating firm ETC for any specific time period as described in (MOD-001 R2), using the algorithm defined in R8 and with data used to calculate the specified value for the designated time period. The data used must meet the requirements specified in MOD-028-1 and the ATCID. To account for differences that may occur when recalculating the value (due to mixing automated and manual processes), any recalculated value that is within +/- 15% or 15 MW, whichever is greater, of the originally calculated value, is evidence that the Transmission Service Provider used the algorithm in R8 to calculate its firm ETC. (R8)
- M11.** The Transmission Service Provider shall demonstrate compliance with R9 by recalculating non-firm ETC for any specific time period as described in (MOD-001 R2), using the algorithm defined in R9 and with data used to calculate the specified value for the designated time period. The data used must meet the requirements specified in MOD-028-1 and the ATCID. To account for differences that may occur when recalculating the value (due to mixing automated and manual processes), any recalculated value that is within +/- 15% or 15 MW, whichever is greater, of the originally calculated value, is evidence that the Transmission Service Provider used the algorithm in R8 to calculate its non-firm ETC. (R9)
- M12.** Each Transmission Service Provider shall produce the supporting documentation for the processes used to implement the algorithm that calculates firm ATCs, as required in

R10. Such documentation must show that only the variables allowed in R10 were used to calculate firm ATCs, and that the processes use the current values for the variables as determined in the requirements or definitions. Note that any variable may legitimately be zero if the value is not applicable or calculated to be zero (such as counterflows, TRM, CBM, etc...). The supporting documentation may be provided in the same form and format as stored by the Transmission Service Provider. (R10)

M13. Each Transmission Service Provider shall produce the supporting documentation for the processes used to implement the algorithm that calculates non-firm ATCs, as required in R11. Such documentation must show that only the variables allowed in R11 were used to calculate non-firm ATCs, and that the processes use the current values for the variables as determined in the requirements or definitions. Note that any variable may legitimately be zero if the value is not applicable or calculated to be zero (such as counterflows, TRM, CBM, etc...). The supporting documentation may be provided in the same form and format as stored by the Transmission Service Provider. (R11)

D. Compliance

1. Compliance Monitoring Process

1.1. Compliance Enforcement Authority

~~For entities that do not work for the Regional Entity, the Regional Entity shall serve as the Compliance Monitoring Period and Reset Enforcement Authority. Not applicable.~~

~~For functional entities that work for their Regional Entity, the ERO or a Regional Entity approved by the ERO and FERC or other applicable governmental authorities shall serve as the Compliance Enforcement Authority.~~

1.2. Data Retention

~~The following evidence retention periods identify the period of time an entity is required to retain specific evidence to demonstrate compliance. For instances where the evidence retention period specified below is shorter than the time since the last audit, the Compliance Enforcement Authority may ask an entity to provide other evidence to show that it was compliant for the full time period since the last audit.~~

The Transmission Operator and Transmission Service Provider shall keep data or evidence to show compliance as identified below unless directed by its Compliance Enforcement Authority to retain specific evidence for a longer period of time as part of an investigation:

- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain its current, in force ATCID and any prior versions of the ATCID that were in force since the last compliance audit to show compliance with R1.
- The Transmission Operator shall have its latest model used to calculate TTC and evidence of the previous version to show compliance with R2.

- The Transmission Operator shall retain evidence to show compliance with R3 for the most recent 12 months or until the model used to calculate TTC is updated, whichever is longer.
- The Transmission Operator shall retain evidence to show compliance with R4, R5, R6 and R7 for the most recent 12 months.
- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain evidence to show compliance in calculating hourly values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 14 days; evidence to show compliance in calculating daily values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 30 days; and evidence to show compliance in calculating monthly values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 60 days.
- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain evidence to show compliance with R10 and R11 for the most recent 12 months.
- If a Transmission Service Provider or Transmission Operator is found non-compliant, it shall keep information related to the non-compliance until found compliant.
- The Compliance Enforcement Authority shall keep the last audit records and all requested and submitted subsequent audit records.

1.3. Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Processes:

The following processes may be used:

- Compliance Audits
- Self-Certifications
- Spot Checking
- Compliance Violation Investigations
- Self-Reporting
- Complaints

1.4. Additional Compliance Information

None.

2. Violation Severity Levels

R #	Lower VSL	Moderate VSL	High VSL	Severe VSL
R1.	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing two of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing three of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing more than three of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements)
R2.	<p>The Transmission Operator used one to ten Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model.</p>	<p>The Transmission Operator used eleven to twenty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model.</p>	<p>One or both of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator used twenty-one to thirty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model. • The Transmission Operator did not use a Transmission model that includes modeling data and topology (or equivalent representation) for one adjacent Reliability Coordinator Area. 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator used more than thirty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model. • The Transmission Operator's model includes equivalent representation of non-radial facilities greater than 161 kV for its own Reliability Coordinator Area. • The Transmission Operator did not use a Transmission model that includes modeling data and topology (or equivalent representation) for two or more adjacent Reliability Coordinator

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				Areas.
R3.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process one to ten expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process eleven to twenty-five expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process twenty-six to fifty expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	One or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process more than fifty expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID. • The Transmission Operator did not include the Load forecast or unit commitment in its TTC calculation as described in R3.
R4.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R5R4.3 for more than zero reservations, but not more than 5% of all reservations; or 1 reservation, whichever is greater.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R5R4.3 for more than 5%, but not more than 10% of all reservations; or 2 reservations, whichever is greater.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R5R4.3 for more than 10%, but not more than 15% of all reservations; or 3 reservations, whichever is greater.	One or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC calculation the contingencies that met the criteria described in the ATCID. • The Transmission Operator did not respect contractual allocations of TTC. • The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R4.3 for more than 15% of all reservations; or more than 3 reservations, whichever is greater. • The Transmission Operator did not use firm reservations to estimate interchange or did not

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				utilize that estimate in the TTC calculation as described in R4.3.
R5.	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in hourly or daily ATCs within 7 calendar days but did establish the values within 10 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a calendar month but did establish the values within the next consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in hourly or daily ATCs in 10 calendar days but did establish the values within 13 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a two consecutive calendar month period but did establish the values within the third consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for used in hourly or daily ATCs in 13 calendar days but did establish the values within 16 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a three consecutive calendar month period but did establish the values within the fourth consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for used in hourly or daily ATCs in 16 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a four or more consecutive calendar month period The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs within 24 hrs of the triggers defined in R5.3
R6.	N/A	N/A	N/A	The Transmission Operator did not calculate TTCs per the process specified in R6.
R7.	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than one calendar day after their determination, but not been more than two calendar days after their determination. 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than two calendar days after their determination, but not been more than three calendar days after their determination. 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than three calendar days after their determination, but not been more than four calendar days after their determination. 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than four calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator did not provide its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than seven calendar days after their determination, but not more than 14 calendar days since their determination. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 14 calendar days after their determination, but not been more than 21 calendar days after their determination. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 21 calendar days after their determination, but not been more than 28 calendar days after their determination. 	<p>Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 28 calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator did not provide its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.
R8.	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 15% of the value calculated in the measure or 15MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater.</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater.</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.</p>
R9.	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 15% of the value calculated in</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 25% of the value calculated in</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 35% of the value calculated in</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure</p>

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	the measure or 15MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater.	the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater...	the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.	or 45MW, whichever is greater.
R10.	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than zero ATC Paths, but not more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater), but not more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater), but not more than 15% of all ATC Paths or 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 15% of all ATC Paths or more than 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).
R11.	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than zero ATC Paths, but not more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater), but not more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater), but not more than 15% of all ATC Paths or 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 15% of all ATC Paths or more than 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).

Implementation Plan

Approvals Requested

MOD-028-2 – Area Interchange Methodology

Prerequisite Approvals

None.

Functional Entities Required to Comply with the Standard

- Each Transmission Operator that uses the Area Interchange Methodology to calculate Total Transfer Capabilities (TTCs) for ATC Paths.
- Each Transmission Service Provider that uses the Area Interchange Methodology to calculate Available Transfer Capabilities (ATCs) for ATC Paths.

Effective Date

New or Revised Standards

MOD-028-2 – Area Interchange Methodology

In those jurisdictions where regulatory approval is required, this standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter beginning no less than 60 days after applicable regulatory approval. In those jurisdictions where no regulatory approval is required, this standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter beginning no less than 60 days after Board of Trustees approval.

Standards for Retirement

MOD-028-1 – Area Interchange Methodology

Midnight of the day immediately prior to the Effective Date of MOD-028-2 in the particular Jurisdiction in which the new standard is becoming effective.

Note: A valid interpretation request is one that requests additional clarity about one or more requirements in approved NERC reliability standards, but does not request approval as to how to comply with one or more requirements.

When completed, email this form to:
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 For questions about this form or for assistance in completing the form, call Laura Hussey at 404-446-2579.

Request for an Interpretation of a Reliability Standard	
Date submitted: 5/13/2011	
Contact information for person requesting the interpretation:	
Name:	Don McInnis
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Identify the standard that needs clarification:	
Standard Number (include version number, e.g. PRC-001-1): MOD-028-1	
Standard Title: Area Interchange Methodology	
Identify specifically what requirement needs clarification:	
Requirement Number and Text of Requirement: R3.1 For on-peak and off-peak intra-day and next-day TTCs, use the following (as well as any other values and additional parameters as specified in the ATCID):	
Identify the nature of clarification that is requested: (Check as many as applicable)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clarify the required performance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clarify the conditions under which the performance is required <input type="checkbox"/> Clarify which functional entity is responsible for performing an action in a requirement <input type="checkbox"/> Clarify the reliability outcome the requirement is intended to produce	
Please explain the clarification needed:	
<i>By using the words "on-peak", "off-peak", and "intra-day" this requirement implies there would have to be separate TTC numbers for different portions of the current day. However, R5 of MOD28 establishes the calculation frequencies and only requires an update to TTC once within the 7 days prior to the specified period where they are used in an ATC calculation. The</i>	

clarification needed is on the ATC Drafting Team's intent with respect to the quantity and timing of individual TTC calculations needed for use in the ATC calculations.

Identify the material impact associated with this interpretation:

Identify the material impact to your organization or others, if known, caused by the lack of clarity or an incorrect interpretation of this standard.

Adherence to the implied intra day calculation requirement of R3.1 is resulting in additional work and creating coordination issues with other parties which are not calculating intra day TTC values.

Unofficial Comment Form (Standard)

Project 2011-INT-01 – Interpretation of MOD-028 R3.1 for FPL

Instructions

Please **DO NOT** use this form for official commenting. Please use the [electronic form](#) to submit comments on the SAR and draft MOD-028-2 standard (Area Interchange Methodology). The electronic comment form must be completed **November 16, 2011**.

If you have questions please contact Monica Benson at monica.benson@nerc.net or by telephone at 404-446-2573.

[http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/2011-INT-01 Interpretation MOD-028-1 FPL.html](http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/2011-INT-01%20Interpretation%20MOD-028-1%20FPL.html)

Background Information

MOD-028-1 Area Interchange Methodology is one of the three methodologies included in the ATC-Related MOD standards. Sub-requirement R3.1 of MOD-028-1 states the following:

R3.1 For on-peak and off-peak intra-day and next-day TTCs, use the following (as well as any other values and additional parameters as specified in the ATCID):

NERC received a request to interpret this sub-requirement. The requester stated:

By using the words “on-peak”, “off-peak”, and “intra-day” this requirement implies there would have to be separate TTC numbers for different portions of the current day. However, R5 of MOD-28 establishes the calculation frequencies and only requires an update to TTC once within the 7 days prior to the specified period where they are used in an ATC calculation. The clarification needed is on the ATC Drafting Team’s intent with respect to the quantity and timing of individual TTC calculations needed for use in the ATC calculations. Adherence to the implied intra day calculation requirement of R3.1 is resulting in additional work and creating coordination issues with other parties which are not calculating intra day TTC values.

NERC assembled an Interpretation team made up of some of the members of the original ATC-TTC-CBM-TRM Drafting Team. While that Interpretation team was preparing its Interpretation, the Standards Committee requested the Interpretation Team use a “rapid revision” approach to clarify the requirement in question directly. (The Standards Committee confirmed that revising the standard rather than developing an interpretation was acceptable to the requester.) The Interpretation team discussed this approach, and developed a revision to the standard that is intended to eliminate the ambiguity present in the current version of the standard. Other minor corrections and errata were addressed as well.

Questions

1. Do you agree with the use of this “Rapid” approach to clarify the standard, rather than clarifying the standard through an Interpretation? If No, please explain your concerns.

Yes

No

Comments:

2. Does the language in the SAR adequately represent the issue raised in the interpretation request? If No, please provide your suggestions to modify the SAR.

Yes

No

Comments:

3. Does the proposed revision resolve the issue raised in the interpretation request? If No, please provide your suggestions to modify the standard.

Yes

No

Comments:

4. If you have any other comments on the SAR or on the proposed Standard that you have not provided above, please provide them here.

Comments:

Standards Announcement

Interpretation 2011-INT-01- Rapid Revision of MOD-028-1 for FPL to Address Request for Interpretation

Ballot Window Now Open Through Wednesday, November 16, 2011

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Please note that although the project number and name reference that this is an interpretation, this project is a revision to MOD-028-1 – Area Interchange Methodology. In May 2011, Florida Power & Light Company (FPL) requested an interpretation of MOD-028-1 – Area Interchange Methodology, Requirement R3.1. The request asks for clarification of the timing and frequency of Total Transfer Capability (TTC) calculations needed for Available Transfer Capability (ATC) calculations. **At its July 2011 meeting the Standards Committee approved (with FPL's approval) addressing FPL's request for interpretation through a rapid revision to the MOD-028-1 standard.**

This project is following the normal standard development process in the NERC Standard Processes Manual, rather than the interpretation process. As envisioned, making a permanent revision to the standard makes more efficient use of industry resources than providing clarity first through an interpretation and then later through a revision to the standard.

A drafting team appointed by the Standards Committee has posted FPL's request for interpretation, a SAR identifying the revisions necessary to address the requested clarification, a draft MOD-028-2 (clean and redline showing changes to the last approved version of the standard), and an associated implementation plan, for a formal 45-day comment period and initial ballot **through 8 p.m. Eastern on Wednesday, November 16, 2011.**

Instructions for Balloting

The ballot window is open from **Monday, November 7, 2011 through 8 p.m. Eastern on Wednesday, November 16, 2011.** Members of the ballot pool associated with this project may log in and submit their vote the standard at: <https://standards.nerc.net/CurrentBallots.aspx>.

Special Instructions for Submitting Comments with a Ballot

A formal comment period is open through **8 p.m. Eastern on Wednesday, November 16, 2011.**

Comments submitted with ballots are extremely valuable to help the drafting team revise its work. In an effort to reduce the burden on stakeholders providing comments, the drafting requests that all comments (both those submitted with a ballot and those submitted by stakeholders not balloting) be submitted through the [electronic comment form](#). This will ensure that stakeholders only provide a single set of comments, but have an opportunity to notify the drafting team if they have provided comments.

When submitting a ballot with comments, submit the comments through the electronic form and then simply record “Comments submitted” in the comments field of the ballot to indicate that comments were submitted.

Please note that comments submitted during the formal comment period and the ballot for the standard both use the same electronic form, and it is NOT necessary for ballot pool members to submit more than one set of comments. For entities that are vertically integrated and registered to vote in more than one industry segment, in the situation where all balloters in that company agree to a single position, one person should submit a comment form and other balloters from the same company should identify that their comments are represented by that person’s comment form by entering a phrase such as: “See comments from James Smith of XYA.”

Next Steps

The drafting team will consider all comments received during the formal comment period and initial ballot.

Background

In May 2011, FPL requested an interpretation of MOD-028-1, Requirement R3.1. The request asks for clarification of the timing and frequency of TTC calculations needed for ATC calculations. At its July 2011 meeting the Standards Committee approved addressing FPL’s request for interpretation through a rapid revision to the MOD-028-1 standard. The interpretation drafting team was appointed as the standard drafting team and directed to submit both a SAR and proposed revisions to MOD-028-1 addressing the issue raised in the request for interpretation. Because the revisions are narrowly focused on addressing the clarification requested by FPL, the Standards Committee approved waiving the initial 30-day formal comment period and directed that the SAR and proposed revisions to the standard be posted for a 45-day parallel comment period and initial ballot.

Standards Development Process

The [Standard Processes Manual](#) contains all the procedures governing the standards development process. The success of the NERC standards development process depends on stakeholder participation. We extend our thanks to all those who participate. For more information or assistance, please contact Monica Benson at monica.benson@nerc.net.

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Project 2011-INT-01 Interpretation of MOD-028-1 for FPL

Ballot Pool Window Open: October 4 – November 2, 2011

Formal Comment Period Open: October 4 – November 16, 2011

Initial Ballot Window: November 7 – November 16, 2011

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A drafting team appointed by the Standards Committee has posted FPL's request for interpretation, a SAR identifying the revisions necessary to address the requested clarification, a draft MOD-028-2 (clean and redline showing changes to the last approved version of the standard), and an associated implementation plan, for a formal 45-day comment period through 8 p.m. Eastern on Wednesday, November 16, 2011. Because the revisions are narrowly focused on addressing the clarification requested by FPL, the Standards Committee approved waiving the initial 30-day formal comment period. A ballot pool is open through **8 a.m. Eastern on Wednesday, November 2.**

Ballot Pool Open through 8 a.m. Eastern on Wednesday, November 2

A ballot pool is being formed for balloting the revisions to MOD-028-2. The Standards Committee has authorized posting the standard and implementation plan for a 45-day formal comment period with an initial ballot conducted during the last 10 days of that comment period. (The Standards Committee authorized waiving the initial 30-day formal comment period because the revisions to MOD-028 are narrowly focused on addressing the clarification requested in FPL's request for interpretation.)

The ballot pool is open through 8 a.m. Eastern on November 2, 2011, and the ballot window will be open from 8 a.m. Eastern on Monday, November 7 through 8 p.m. Eastern on Wednesday, November 16, 2011.

Instructions for Joining the Ballot Pool for Project 2011-INT-01

Registered Ballot Body members may join the ballot pool to be eligible to vote in the upcoming ballot at the following page: <https://standards.nerc.net/BallotPool.aspx>

During the pre-ballot window, members of the ballot pool may communicate with one another by using their “ballot pool list server.” (Once the balloting begins, ballot pool members are prohibited from using the ballot pool list servers.) The list server for this ballot pool is: bp-2011-INT-01_in@nerc.com

Instructions for Commenting

Please use this [electronic form](#) to submit comments. If you experience any difficulties in using the electronic form, please contact Monica Benson at monica.benson@nerc.net. An off-line, unofficial copy of the comment form is posted on the [project page](#).

Next Steps

An initial ballot of MOD-028-2 and its associated implementation plan will begin on Monday, November 7, 2011 and end at 8 p.m. Eastern on Wednesday, November 16, 2011.

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Project INT-2011-01 Revision of MOD-028-1 to address FPL Request for Interpretation

Initial Ballot Results

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An initial ballot of MOD-028-2 – Area Interchange Methodology concluded on November 16, 2011. Voting statistics are listed below, and the [Ballot Results](#) Web page provides a link to the detailed results.

Quorum: 88.05% (Correction)

Approval: 85.53% (Correction)

Next Steps

The drafting team will consider all comments received and determine whether to make additional changes to the interpretation. If the drafting team decides to make additional changes to the interpretation to address stakeholder feedback from the formal comment period and ballot, the team will post the revised interpretation, along with its consideration of comments, for a parallel comment period and successive ballot. If the drafting team decides that no substantive changes are required to address stakeholder feedback, the team will post the interpretation and consideration of comments for a recirculation ballot.

Background (Correction)

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Ballot Results	
Ballot Name:	Project_2011_INT-01_MOD-028-1_FPL_initial_in
Ballot Period:	11/7/2011 - 11/16/2011
Ballot Type:	Initial
Total # Votes:	258
Total Ballot Pool:	293
Quorum:	88.05 % The Quorum has been reached
Weighted Segment Vote:	85.53 %
Ballot Results:	The standard will proceed to recirculation ballot.

Summary of Ballot Results									
Segment	Ballot Pool	Segment Weight	Affirmative		Negative		Abstain # Votes	No Vote	
			# Votes	Fraction	# Votes	Fraction			
1 - Segment 1.	79	1	31	0.795	8	0.205	32	8	
2 - Segment 2.	8	0	0	0	0	0	5	3	
3 - Segment 3.	66	1	28	0.875	4	0.125	26	8	
4 - Segment 4.	22	1	10	0.833	2	0.167	7	3	
5 - Segment 5.	58	1	20	0.87	3	0.13	30	5	
6 - Segment 6.	43	1	17	0.773	5	0.227	18	3	
7 - Segment 7.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
8 - Segment 8.	7	0.4	4	0.4	0	0	0	3	
9 - Segment 9.	3	0.1	1	0.1	0	0	1	1	
10 - Segment 10.	7	0.4	4	0.4	0	0	2	1	
Totals	293	5.9	115	5.046	22	0.854	121	35	

Individual Ballot Pool Results				
Segment	Organization	Member	Ballot	Comments
1	Ameren Services	Kirit Shah	Abstain	
1	American Electric Power	Paul B. Johnson		
1	Arizona Public Service Co.	Robert Smith	Abstain	View
1	Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc.	John Bussman	Abstain	
1	Balancing Authority of Northern California	Kevin Smith	Affirmative	
1	BC Hydro and Power Authority	Patricia Robertson	Abstain	
1	Beaches Energy Services	Joseph S Stonecipher	Affirmative	
1	Bonneville Power Administration	Donald S. Watkins	Abstain	

1	Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.	Tony Kroskey		
1	City of Tacoma, Department of Public Utilities, Light Division, dba Tacoma Power	Chang G Choi	Abstain	
1	City Utilities of Springfield, Missouri	Jeff Knottek	Abstain	
1	Clark Public Utilities	Jack Stamper	Affirmative	
1	Cleco Power LLC	Danny McDaniel	Negative	View
1	Consolidated Edison Co. of New York	Christopher L de Graffenried	Affirmative	
1	Dayton Power & Light Co.	Hertzel Shamash		
1	Dominion Virginia Power	Michael S Crowley	Abstain	
1	Duke Energy Carolina	Douglas E. Hils	Negative	View
1	East Kentucky Power Coop.	George S. Carruba	Abstain	
1	Empire District Electric Co.	Ralph F Meyer	Affirmative	
1	Entergy Services, Inc.	Edward J Davis	Abstain	
1	FirstEnergy Corp.	William J Smith	Abstain	
1	Florida Keys Electric Cooperative Assoc.	Dennis Minton	Abstain	
1	Florida Power & Light Co.	Mike O'Neil		
1	Gainesville Regional Utilities	Luther E. Fair	Negative	View
1	Georgia Transmission Corporation	Harold Taylor	Negative	View
1	Hoosier Energy Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Bob Solomon	Negative	
1	Hydro One Networks, Inc.	Ajay Garg	Affirmative	
1	Idaho Power Company	Ronald D. Schellberg	Affirmative	
1	Imperial Irrigation District	Tino Zaragoza		
1	International Transmission Company Holdings Corp	Michael Moltane	Affirmative	
1	JEA	Ted Hobson	Affirmative	
1	Kansas City Power & Light Co.	Michael Gammon	Abstain	
1	Keys Energy Services	Stanley T Rzad	Affirmative	View
1	Lakeland Electric	Larry E Watt	Negative	View
1	Lee County Electric Cooperative	John W Delucca	Abstain	
1	Lincoln Electric System	Doug Bantam	Affirmative	
1	Manitoba Hydro	Joe D Petaski	Affirmative	View
1	MEAG Power	Danny Dees	Affirmative	
1	MidAmerican Energy Co.	Terry Harbour	Abstain	
1	Nebraska Public Power District	Cole C Brodine	Abstain	
1	New York Power Authority	Arnold J. Schuff	Abstain	
1	New York State Electric & Gas Corp.	Raymond P Kinney	Affirmative	
1	Northeast Utilities	David Boguslawski	Abstain	
1	Northern Indiana Public Service Co.	Kevin M Largura	Abstain	
1	NorthWestern Energy	John Canavan	Affirmative	
1	Ohio Valley Electric Corp.	Robert Matthey	Affirmative	
1	Oklahoma Gas and Electric Co.	Marvin E VanBebber	Abstain	
1	Omaha Public Power District	Doug Peterchuck	Affirmative	
1	Oncor Electric Delivery	Brenda Pulis	Abstain	
1	Orlando Utilities Commission	Brad Chase	Negative	
1	Otter Tail Power Company	Daryl Hanson	Affirmative	
1	Pacific Gas and Electric Company	Bangalore Vijayraghavan		
1	Portland General Electric Co.	John T Walker	Abstain	
1	Potomac Electric Power Co.	David Thorne	Abstain	
1	PowerSouth Energy Cooperative	Larry D Avery	Affirmative	
1	PPL Electric Utilities Corp.	Brenda L Truhe	Affirmative	
1	Progress Energy Carolinas	Brett A Koelsch	Affirmative	
1	Public Service Company of New Mexico	Laurie Williams	Abstain	
1	Public Service Electric and Gas Co.	Kenneth D. Brown	Abstain	
1	Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County	Kyle M. Hussey	Affirmative	View
1	Raj Rana	Rajendrasinh D Rana	Abstain	
1	Rochester Gas and Electric Corp.	John C. Allen	Affirmative	
1	Sacramento Municipal Utility District	Tim Kelley	Affirmative	
1	San Diego Gas & Electric	Will Speer		
1	SCE&G	Henry Delk, Jr.		
1	Seattle City Light	Pawel Krupa	Affirmative	
1	Sho-Me Power Electric Cooperative	Denise Stevens	Abstain	
1	Snohomish County PUD No. 1	Long T Duong	Abstain	
1	South California Edison Company	Steven Mavis	Affirmative	
1	Southern Company Services, Inc.	Robert Schaffeld	Affirmative	
1	Southern Illinois Power Coop.	William Hutchison	Abstain	
1	Southwest Transmission Cooperative, Inc.	James Jones	Negative	View
1	Tampa Electric Co.	Beth Young	Affirmative	

1	Tennessee Valley Authority	Larry Akens	Abstain	
1	Tri-State G & T Association, Inc.	Tracy Sliman	Affirmative	
1	Tucson Electric Power Co.	John Tolo	Abstain	
1	United Illuminating Co.	Jonathan Appelbaum	Affirmative	
1	Western Area Power Administration	Brandy A Dunn	Affirmative	
1	Xcel Energy, Inc.	Gregory L Pieper	Abstain	
2	Alberta Electric System Operator	Mark B Thompson	Abstain	
2	BC Hydro	Venkataramakrishnan Vinnakota	Abstain	
2	ISO New England, Inc.	Kathleen Goodman	Abstain	
2	Midwest ISO, Inc.	Marie Knox		
2	New Brunswick System Operator	Alden Briggs	Abstain	
2	New York Independent System Operator	Gregory Campoli		
2	PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.	Tom Bowe	Abstain	
2	Southwest Power Pool, Inc.	Charles Yeung		
3	AEP	Michael E DeLoach	Abstain	
3	Alabama Power Company	Richard J. Mandes	Affirmative	
3	Ameren Services	Mark Peters	Abstain	
3	Anaheim Public Utilities Dept.	Kelly Nguyen	Abstain	
3	APS	Steven Norris	Abstain	
3	Atlantic City Electric Company	NICOLE BUCKMAN	Abstain	
3	BC Hydro and Power Authority	Pat G. Harrington	Abstain	
3	Black Hills Power	Andy Butcher		
3	Bonneville Power Administration	Rebecca Berdahl	Abstain	
3	City of Bartow, Florida	Matt Culverhouse		
3	City of Clewiston	Lynne Mila	Affirmative	
3	City of Green Cove Springs	Gregg R Griffin		
3	City of Redding	Bill Hughes	Affirmative	
3	Cleco Corporation	Michelle A Corley	Negative	View
3	Consolidated Edison Co. of New York	Peter T Yost	Affirmative	
3	Consumers Energy	Richard Blumenstock	Abstain	
3	Delmarva Power & Light Co.	Michael R. Mayer	Abstain	
3	Detroit Edison Company	Kent Kujala	Affirmative	
3	Dominion Resources Services	Michael F. Gildea	Abstain	
3	Duke Energy Carolina	Henry Ernst-Jr	Negative	View
3	Entergy	Joel T Plessinger	Abstain	
3	FirstEnergy Energy Delivery	Stephan Kern	Abstain	
3	Florida Municipal Power Agency	Joe McKinney	Affirmative	View
3	Florida Power Corporation	Lee Schuster	Affirmative	
3	Georgia Power Company	Anthony L Wilson	Affirmative	
3	Georgia Systems Operations Corporation	William N. Phinney	Affirmative	
3	Grays Harbor PUD	Wesley W Gray	Affirmative	
3	Gulf Power Company	Paul C Caldwell	Affirmative	
3	Harney Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Shane Sweet	Abstain	
3	Hydro One Networks, Inc.	David Kiguel	Affirmative	
3	JEA	Garry Baker	Affirmative	
3	Kansas City Power & Light Co.	Charles Locke	Abstain	
3	Kissimmee Utility Authority	Gregory D Woessner		
3	Lincoln Electric System	Jason Fortik	Affirmative	
3	Louisville Gas and Electric Co.	Charles A. Freibert	Affirmative	
3	Manitoba Hydro	Greg C. Parent	Affirmative	View
3	Manitowoc Public Utilities	Thomas E Reed	Abstain	
3	Mississippi Power	Jeff Franklin	Affirmative	
3	Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia	Steven M. Jackson	Affirmative	
3	Nebraska Public Power District	Tony Eddleman	Abstain	
3	New York Power Authority	Marilyn Brown	Abstain	
3	Niagara Mohawk (National Grid Company)	Michael Schiavone	Affirmative	
3	Northern Indiana Public Service Co.	William SeDoris	Abstain	
3	Ocala Electric Utility	David Anderson	Affirmative	
3	Oregon Trail Electric Cooperative	ned ratterman	Affirmative	
3	Orlando Utilities Commission	Ballard K Mutters	Negative	View
3	Owensboro Municipal Utilities	Thomas T Lyons	Affirmative	
3	Pacific Gas and Electric Company	John H Hagen	Affirmative	View
3	PacifiCorp	Dan Zollner	Abstain	
3	Platte River Power Authority	Terry L Baker	Affirmative	
3	Potomac Electric Power Co.	Robert Reuter		
3	Progress Energy Carolinas	Sam Waters	Affirmative	

3	Public Service Electric and Gas Co.	Jeffrey Mueller	Abstain	
3	Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County	Greg Lange		
3	Puget Sound Energy, Inc.	Erin Apperson	Abstain	
3	Sacramento Municipal Utility District	James Leigh-Kendall	Affirmative	
3	Salt River Project	John T. Underhill		
3	Seattle City Light	Dana Wheelock	Affirmative	
3	Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc.	James R Frauen	Negative	
3	Snohomish County PUD No. 1	Mark Oens		
3	South Carolina Electric & Gas Co.	Hubert C Young	Abstain	
3	Tacoma Public Utilities	Travis Metcalfe	Abstain	
3	Tampa Electric Co.	Ronald L Donahey	Affirmative	
3	Tennessee Valley Authority	Ian S Grant	Abstain	
3	Tri-State G & T Association, Inc.	Janelle Marriott	Abstain	
3	Xcel Energy, Inc.	Michael Ibold	Abstain	
4	Alliant Energy Corp. Services, Inc.	Kenneth Goldsmith	Affirmative	
4	American Municipal Power	Kevin Koloini	Abstain	
4	City of Clewiston	Kevin McCarthy	Affirmative	
4	City of New Smyrna Beach Utilities Commission	Tim Beyrle		
4	City of Redding	Nicholas Zettel	Affirmative	
4	City Utilities of Springfield, Missouri	John Allen	Abstain	
4	Consumers Energy	David Frank Ronk	Affirmative	
4	Flathead Electric Cooperative	Russ Schneider	Abstain	
4	Florida Municipal Power Agency	Frank Gaffney	Affirmative	View
4	Fort Pierce Utilities Authority	Thomas Richards		
4	Georgia System Operations Corporation	Guy Andrews	Negative	View
4	Madison Gas and Electric Co.	Joseph DePorter	Abstain	
4	Northern California Power Agency	Tracy R Bibb	Affirmative	
4	Ohio Edison Company	Douglas Hohlbaugh	Abstain	
4	Old Dominion Electric Coop.	Mark Ringhausen	Affirmative	
4	Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County	John D Martinsen	Abstain	
4	Sacramento Municipal Utility District	Mike Ramirez	Affirmative	
4	Seattle City Light	Hao Li	Affirmative	
4	Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Steven R Wallace	Negative	View
4	South Mississippi Electric Power Association	Steven McElhanev		
4	Tacoma Public Utilities	Keith Morisette	Abstain	
4	Wisconsin Energy Corp.	Anthony Jankowski	Affirmative	
5	AEP Service Corp.	Brock Ondayko		
5	Amerenue	Sam Dwyer	Abstain	
5	Arizona Public Service Co.	Edward Cambridge	Abstain	
5	Avista Corp.	Edward F. Groce	Abstain	
5	BC Hydro and Power Authority	Clement Ma	Abstain	
5	Black Hills Corp	George Tatar	Abstain	
5	Boise-Kuna Irrigation District/dba Lucky peak power plant project	Mike D Kukla	Affirmative	
5	Bonneville Power Administration	Francis J. Halpin	Abstain	View
5	City and County of San Francisco	Daniel Mason	Abstain	
5	City of Austin dba Austin Energy	Jeanie Doty	Affirmative	
5	City of Redding	Paul Cummings	Affirmative	
5	City of Tacoma, Department of Public Utilities, Light Division, dba Tacoma Power	Max Emrick	Abstain	
5	City of Tallahassee	Brian Horton		
5	Cleco Power	Stephanie Huffman	Negative	View
5	Consolidated Edison Co. of New York	Wilket (Jack) Ng	Affirmative	
5	Consumers Energy Company	David C Greyerbiehl	Abstain	
5	Detroit Edison Company	Christy Wicke	Affirmative	
5	Dominion Resources, Inc.	Mike Garton	Abstain	
5	Duke Energy	Dale Q Goodwine	Negative	View
5	FirstEnergy Solutions	Kenneth Dresner	Affirmative	
5	Florida Municipal Power Agency	David Schumann	Affirmative	View
5	Great River Energy	Preston L Walsh	Abstain	
5	Green Country Energy	Greg Froehling	Abstain	
5	JEA	John J Babik	Affirmative	
5	Kissimmee Utility Authority	Mike Blough	Affirmative	
5	Lakeland Electric	James M Howard		
5	Lincoln Electric System	Dennis Florom	Affirmative	
5	Los Angeles Department of Water & Power	Kenneth Silver		

5	Manitoba Hydro	S N Fernando	Affirmative	
5	Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company	David Gordon	Abstain	
5	MEAG Power	Steven Grego	Affirmative	
5	MidAmerican Energy Co.	Christopher Schneider	Abstain	
5	Muscatine Power & Water	Mike Avesing	Abstain	
5	New York Power Authority	Gerald Mannarino	Abstain	
5	Northern Indiana Public Service Co.	William O. Thompson	Abstain	View
5	Oklahoma Gas and Electric Co.	Kim Morphis	Abstain	
5	PacifiCorp	Sandra L. Shaffer	Abstain	
5	Platte River Power Authority	Roland Thiel	Affirmative	
5	Portland General Electric Co.	Gary L Tingley	Affirmative	
5	PPL Generation LLC	Annette M Bannon	Affirmative	
5	Progress Energy Carolinas	Wayne Lewis	Affirmative	
5	PSEG Fossil LLC	Mikhail Falkovich	Abstain	
5	Public Utility District No. 1 of Lewis County	Steven Grega	Abstain	
5	Puget Sound Energy, Inc.	Tom Flynn	Abstain	
5	Sacramento Municipal Utility District	Bethany Hunter	Affirmative	
5	Salt River Project	William Alkema	Abstain	
5	Seattle City Light	Michael J. Haynes	Affirmative	
5	Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Brenda K. Atkins	Negative	
5	Siemens PTI	Edwin Cano	Abstain	
5	Snohomish County PUD No. 1	Sam Nietfeld	Abstain	
5	Southern California Edison Co.	Denise Yaffe	Abstain	
5	Southern Company Generation	William D Shultz		
5	Tampa Electric Co.	RJames Rocha	Affirmative	
5	Tenaska, Inc.	Scott M Helyer	Abstain	
5	Tennessee Valley Authority	David Thompson	Abstain	
5	Tri-State G & T Association, Inc.	Barry Ingold	Affirmative	
5	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	Melissa Kurtz	Abstain	
5	Xcel Energy, Inc.	Liam Noailles	Abstain	
6	ACES Power Marketing	Jason L Marshall	Negative	View
6	AEP Marketing	Edward P. Cox		
6	Ameren Energy Marketing Co.	Jennifer Richardson	Abstain	
6	APS	RANDY A YOUNG	Abstain	
6	Black Hills Power	andrew heinle	Abstain	
6	Bonneville Power Administration	Brenda S. Anderson	Abstain	
6	City of Redding	Marvin Briggs	Affirmative	
6	Cleco Power LLC	Robert Hirschak	Negative	View
6	Consolidated Edison Co. of New York	Nickesha P Carrol	Affirmative	
6	Constellation Energy Commodities Group	Brenda Powell	Abstain	
6	Dominion Resources, Inc.	Louis S. Slade	Abstain	
6	Duke Energy Carolina	Walter Yeager	Negative	View
6	Entergy Services, Inc.	Terri F Benoit	Abstain	
6	FirstEnergy Solutions	Kevin Querry	Abstain	
6	Florida Municipal Power Agency	Richard L. Montgomery	Affirmative	View
6	Florida Municipal Power Pool	Thomas Washburn	Affirmative	
6	Florida Power & Light Co.	Silvia P. Mitchell	Affirmative	
6	Imperial Irrigation District	Cathy Bretz	Abstain	
6	Kansas City Power & Light Co.	Jessica L Klinghoffer	Abstain	
6	Lakeland Electric	Paul Shipps	Affirmative	
6	Lincoln Electric System	Eric Ruskamp	Affirmative	
6	Manitoba Hydro	Daniel Prowse	Affirmative	View
6	MidAmerican Energy Co.	Dennis Kimm	Affirmative	
6	New York Power Authority	William Palazzo	Abstain	
6	Northern Indiana Public Service Co.	Joseph O'Brien	Abstain	View
6	Orlando Utilities Commission	Claston Augustus Sunanon	Negative	View
6	PacifiCorp	Scott L Smith	Abstain	
6	Platte River Power Authority	Carol Ballantine	Affirmative	
6	PPL EnergyPlus LLC	Mark A Heimbach	Affirmative	
6	Progress Energy	John T Sturgeon	Affirmative	
6	PSEG Energy Resources & Trade LLC	Peter Dolan	Abstain	
6	Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County	Hugh A. Owen	Abstain	
6	Sacramento Municipal Utility District	Diane Enderby	Affirmative	
6	Seattle City Light	Dennis Sismaet	Affirmative	
6	Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Trudy S. Novak	Negative	
6	Snohomish County PUD No. 1	William T Moojen		

6	South California Edison Company	Lujuanna Medina		
6	Southern Company Generation and Energy Marketing	John J. Ciza	Affirmative	
6	Tacoma Public Utilities	Michael C Hill	Abstain	
6	Tampa Electric Co.	Benjamin F Smith II	Affirmative	
6	Tennessee Valley Authority	Marjorie S. Parsons	Abstain	
6	Western Area Power Administration - UGP Marketing	Peter H Kinney	Affirmative	
6	Xcel Energy, Inc.	David F. Lemmons	Abstain	
8		Roger C Zaklukiewicz	Affirmative	
8		Edward C Stein	Affirmative	
8		James A Maenner		
8		Merle Ashton		
8	JDRJC Associates	Jim Cyrulewski	Affirmative	
8	Utility Services, Inc.	Brian Evans-Mongeon		
8	Volkman Consulting, Inc.	Terry Volkman	Affirmative	
9	California Energy Commission	William M Chamberlain	Abstain	
9	Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities	Donald Nelson	Affirmative	
9	Public Utilities Commission of Ohio	Klaus Lambeck		
10	Florida Reliability Coordinating Council	Linda Campbell	Abstain	
10	Midwest Reliability Organization	James D Burley		
10	New York State Reliability Council	Alan Adamson	Affirmative	
10	Northeast Power Coordinating Council, Inc.	Guy V. Zito	Affirmative	
10	ReliabilityFirst Corporation	Anthony E Jablonski	Affirmative	View
10	SERC Reliability Corporation	Carter B. Edge	Affirmative	
10	Western Electricity Coordinating Council	Steven L. Rueckert	Abstain	

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Group
Northeast Power Coordinating Council
Guy Zito
Yes
Yes
Yes
Individual
Anthony Jablonski
ReliabilityFirst
Yes
Yes
Yes
ReliabilityFirst agrees with that the redlined changes further clarify the intent of R3.1 but noticed one typo. The term "Daily" in part 3.1.3 should not be capitalized since the term "Daily" is not a definition listed in the NERC Glossary of terms.
Individual
Greg Rowland
Duke Energy
No
The Rapid approach method would have been sufficient had the response been limited to only the request for clarification. This revision goes beyond the scope of the original request for clarification by modifying the VRFs as well as the Compliance Enforcement and Data Retention portions of Section D. While these additional changes may simply be conforming changes to match a new Standards pro-forma template, they should be addressed and explained along with the other provided background information.
Yes
Yes
We are OK with the changes made to Requirement 3, but, in the interest of full disclosure, we expect that some explanatory language should be included to address the changes made not related to the

FPL Request for Interpretation.
Individual
Ross Kovacs
Georgia Transmission Corporation
Yes
Yes
No
The proposed revision goes beyond the issue raised in the interpretation request. The VRF levels have been changed to "PENDING". The SAR states, "Because FERC has not yet ruled on the VRFs for this standard, they have been marked as PENDING in order to not distract from the discussion of the modification." Please describe what input was given by the Interpretation Team. Please describe how this change was done in accordance with Reliability Standards Consensus Development Process – Step 5 of the Reliability Standards Development Procedure. In Order 729, "the Commission accepts the ERO's commitment to reevaluate the violation risk factors and violation severity levels associated with these MOD Reliability Standards through an open stakeholder process to ensure that they are consistent with the intent of violation risk factor definitions and Commission precedent." Changing the VRF levels in this "Rapid" approach and requesting a parallel vote prior to obtaining industry feedback (1) is not an open stakeholder process, (2) is making changes to one MOD standard while leaving the other MOD standards unchanged, (3) leaves auditors and the industry without any guidance as to the VRFs for MOD-028-2 requirements, and (4) does not appear in accordance with the Reliability Standards Development Procedure. GTC recommends following the Commission's determination outlined in Order 729 to reevaluate the VRFs associated with ALL of the proposed MOD Reliability Standards through a separate, open stakeholder process which could ensure the VRFs and VSLs are consistent with the intent of violation risk factor definitions and Commission precedent. Until this can be done, the VRFs should remain the same as MOD-028-1.
Individual
Joe Petaski
Manitoba Hydro
Yes
It is appropriate to use the rapid development process in this case because only clarifications, not substantive changes, have been made to the standard.
Yes
Yes
Group
NCEMC Reps
James R. Manning
Yes
Yes
No
The proposed changes do not appear to solve the original ambiguity. Because 3.1.2 describes using "A daily or hourly load forecast for TTCs used in current-day and next-day ATC calculations", a registered entity might still believe that it has to calculate hourly TTCs. A clarification is needed that hourly load forecasts are required if the TOP uses hourly TTCs and daily load forecasts are needed if

the TOP calculates a single TTC for a day.
Individual
Annie Lauterbach/Laura Trolese
Bonneville Power Administration
BPA has no comments or concerns at this time as BPA does not implement this standard.
Group
ACES Power Marketing Standards Collaborators
Jason L. Marshall
Yes
We agree that the "Rapid" modification approach will work for a standard such as this where clarification of a single requirement is needed. This seems to be a much quicker way to get the clarification we need.
Yes
No
The proposed changes do not appear to solve the original ambiguity. Because 3.1.2 describes using "A daily or hourly load forecast for TTCs used in current-day and next-day ATC calculations", a registered entity might still believe that it has to calculate hourly TTCs. A clarification is needed that hourly load forecasts are required if the TOP uses hourly TTCs and daily load forecasts are needed if the TOP calculates a single TTC for a day.
Group
MRO NSRF
Will Smith
Yes
Yes
Yes
NONE

Consideration of Comments

Project 2011-INT-01 – Interpretation of MOD-028 R3.1 for FPL

The 2011-INT-01 – Interpretation Drafting Team thanks all commenters who submitted comments on the SAR and draft MOD-028-2 standard (Area Interchange Methodology). These standards were posted for a 45-day public comment period from October 3, 2011 through November 16, 2011. Stakeholders were asked to provide feedback on the standards and associated documents through a special electronic comment form. There were 9 sets of comments, including comments from 51 different people from approximately 43 companies representing all of the 10 Industry Segments as shown in the table on the following pages.

Ballots indicated general support with a quorum of 88.05% and an affirmative vote of 85.53%.

Summary Consideration:

Most comments indicated the use of a “Rapid” approach to clarify the standard is acceptable. Some comments expressed concern regarding the updates to the compliance sections of the standard. These changes were administrative in nature and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.

The majority of the comments received indicate the issue raised in the interpretation request has been satisfactorily resolved.

Two comments questioned if the intent of the standard was to go beyond the changes written, and to require an hourly load forecast for use in an hourly TTC and a daily load forecast for use in a daily TTC. The intent of the standard is to allow for either daily or hourly load forecasts in the specified situation. In other words, a “daily” load forecast is the minimum acceptable performance, but an “hourly” forecast is also acceptable to meet the requirement.

Specifically, some commenters questioned the data retention section of the standard and how it should be applied. Data should be retained as stated in the original standard. The added language gives instruction for when the retention period is shorter than the time since the last audit. According to Section 3.1.4.2 of Appendix 4c to NERC’s Rules of Procedure, an entity is responsible for compliance for the entire time since the last audit and will be expected to demonstrate its compliance. The paragraph that was added to the Data Retention section of the standard was written by NERC Legal staff to notify entities of this responsibility and is not specific to MOD-028-2; this paragraph is being added to all standards as they are revised.

One commenter identified a capitalization error in R3.1, which has been corrected as noted so that the term “daily” is not capitalized. Additionally, the capitalization of the word “monthly” was removed, and a formatting error corrected. No other changes were made to the standard.

All comments submitted may be reviewed in their original format on the standard's project page:

http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/2011-INT-01_ Interpretation MOD-028-1 FPL.html

If you feel that your comment has been overlooked, please let us know immediately. Our goal is to give every comment serious consideration in this process! If you feel there has been an error or omission, you can contact the Vice President and Director of Standards, Herb Schrayshuen, at 404-446-2560 or at herb.schrayshuen@nerc.net. In addition, there is a NERC Reliability Standards Appeals Process.¹

¹ The appeals process is in the Reliability Standards Development Procedures: <http://www.nerc.com/standards/newstandardsprocess.html>.

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- 10 — Regional Reliability Organizations, Regional Entities

Group/Individual		Commenter	Organization	Registered Ballot Body Segment											
				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
1.	Group	Guy Zito	Northeast Power Coordinating Council												X
Additional Member		Additional Organization		Region		Segment Selection									
1.	Alan Adamson	New York State Reliability Council, LLC		NPCC	10										
2.	Greg Campoli	New York Independent System Operator		NPCC	2										
3.	Sylvain Clermont	Hydro-Quebec TransEnergie		NPCC	1										
4.	Chris de Graffenried	Consolidate Edison Co. of New York, Inc.		NPCC	1										
5.	Gerry Dunbar	Northeast Power Coordinating Council		NPCC	10										
6.	Brian Evans-Mongeon	Utility Services		NPCC	8										
7.	Mike Garton	Dominion Resources Services, Inc.		NPCC	5										
8.	Kathleen Goodman	ISO - New England		NPCC	2										

Group/Individual	Commenter	Organization	Registered Ballot Body Segment																	
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10								
9.	Chantel Haswell	FPL Group, Inc.	NPCC	5																
10.	David Kiguel	Hydro One Networks Inc.	NPCC	1																
11.	Michael R. Lombardi	Northeast Utilities	NPCC	1																
12.	Randy MacDonald	New Brunswick Power Transmission	NPCC	9																
13.	Bruce Metruck	New York Power Authority	NPCC	6																
14.	Lee Pedowicz	Northeast Power Coordinating Council	NPCC	10																
15.	Robert Pellegrini	The United Illuminating Company	NPCC	1																
16.	Si-Truc Phan	Hydro-Quebec TransEnergie	NPCC	1																
17.	David Ramkalawan	Ontario Power Generation, Inc.	NPCC	5																
18.	Saurabh Saksena	National Grid	NPCC	1																
19.	Michael Schiavone	National Grid	NPCC	1																
20.	Wayne Sipperly	New York Power Authority	NPCC	5																
21.	Tina Teng	Independent Electric System Operator	NPCC	2																
22.	Donald Weaver	New Brunswick System Operator	NPCC	2																
23.	Ben Wu	Orange and Rockland Utilities	NPCC	1																
24.	Peter Yost	Consolidated Edison Co. of New York, Inc.	NPCC	3																
2.	Group	James R. Manning	NCEMC Reps			X		X	X	X	X									
No additional members listed.																				
3.	Group	Jason L. Marshall	ACES Power Marketing Standards Collaborators									X								
Additional Member Additional Organization Region Segment Selection																				
1.	James Jones	AEPCO/SWTC	WECC	1, 5																
4.	Group	Will Smith	MRO NSRF			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X						X
Additional Member Additional Organization Region Segment Selection																				
1.	Mahmood Safi	OPPD	MRO	1, 3, 5, 6																
2.	Chuck Lawrence	ATC	MRO	1																
3.	Tom Webb	WPS	MRO	3, 4, 5, 6																
4.	Jodi Jenson	WAPA	MRO	1, 6																
5.	Ken Goldsmith	ALTW	MRO	4																
6.	Alice Ireland	XCEL/NSP	MRO	1, 3, 5, 6																
7.	Dave Rudolph	BEPC	MRO	1, 3, 5, 6																

Group/Individual		Commenter	Organization	Registered Ballot Body Segment											
				1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
8.	Eric Ruskamp	LES	MRO	1, 3, 5, 6											
9.	Joe DePoorter	MGE	MRO	3, 4, 5, 6											
10.	Scott Nickels	RPU	MRO	4											
11.	Terry Harbour	MEC	MRO	1, 3, 5, 6											
12.	Marie Knox	MISO	MRO	2											
13.	Lee Kittelson	OTP	MRO	1, 3, 4, 5											
14.	Scott Bos	MPW	MRO	1, 3, 5, 6											
15.	Tony Eddleman	NPPD	MRO	1, 3, 5											
16.	Mike Brytowski	GRE	MRO	1, 3, 5, 6											
17.	Richard Burt	MPC	MRO	1, 3, 5, 6											
5.	Individual	Anthony Jablonski	ReliabilityFirst												X
6.	Individual	Greg Rowland	Duke Energy		X		X		X	X					
7.	Individual	Ross Kovacs	Georgia Transmission Corporation		X										
8.	Individual	Joe Petaski	Manitoba Hydro		X		X		X	X					
9.	Individual	Annie Lauterbach/Laura Trolese	Bonneville Power Administration		X		X		X	X					

1. Do you agree with the use of this “Rapid” approach to clarify the standard, rather than clarifying the standard through an Interpretation? If No, please explain your concerns

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Organization	Yes or No	Question 1 Comment
Northeast Power Coordinating Council	Yes	
NCEMC Reps	Yes	
ACES Power Marketing Standards Collaborators	Yes	We agree that the “Rapid” modification approach will work for a standard such as this where clarification of a single requirement is needed. This seems to be a much quicker way to get the clarification we need.
Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment.		
MRO NSRF	Yes	
ReliabilityFirst	Yes	
Georgia Transmission Corporation	Yes	
Manitoba Hydro	Yes	It is appropriate to use the rapid development process in this case because only clarifications, not substantive changes, have been made to the standard.
Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment.		

Organization	Yes or No	Question 1 Comment
Duke Energy	No	<p>The Rapid approach method would have been sufficient had the response been limited to only the request for clarification. This revision goes beyond the scope of the original request for clarification by modifying the VRFs as well as the Compliance Enforcement and Data Retention portions of Section D. While these additional changes may simply be conforming changes to match a new Standards pro-forma template, they should be addressed and explained along with the other provided background information.</p>
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The indication of “Pending” for the VRFs is intended to indicate that the VRFs are not approved by FERC. The VRFs were not filed with the original filing, and were addressed separately due to NERC staff concerns they did not comply with NERC’s VRF guidelines. Staff proposed VRFs were posted for industry comment January 7, 2009 through January 28, 2009. Staff made changes based on stakeholder feedback, and those VRFs were presented to and approved by the NERC Board of Trustees on November 4, 2010. The VRFs were filed with the Commission on December 1, 2010; FERC has not yet acted on them.</p> <p>The other changes were administrative in nature related to language used to enforce compliance, and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.</p>		
Bonneville Power Administration		

2. Does the language in the SAR adequately represent the issue raised in the interpretation request? If No, please provide your suggestions to modify the SAR.

Summary Consideration: The comments received indicate the language in the SAR adequately represents the issue raised in the interpretation request.

Organization	Yes or No	Question 2 Comment
Northeast Power Coordinating Council	Yes	
NCEMC Reps	Yes	
ACES Power Marketing Standards Collaborators	Yes	
MRO NSRF	Yes	
ReliabilityFirst	Yes	
Duke Energy	Yes	
Georgia Transmission Corporation	Yes	
Manitoba Hydro	Yes	
Bonneville Power Administration		

3. Does the proposed revision resolve the issue raised in the interpretation request? If No, please provide your suggestions to modify the standard.

Summary Consideration: The majority of the comments received indicate the issue has been satisfactorily resolved. Some comments expressed concern regarding the updates to the compliance sections of the standard; however, these changes were administrative in nature related to language used to enforce compliance, and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.

Two comments questioned if the intent of the standard was to go beyond the changes written, and to require an hourly load forecast for use in an hourly TTC and a daily load forecast for use in a daily TTC. This is not the intent of the standard. The intent of the standard is to allow for either daily or hourly load forecasts in the specified situation.

Organization	Yes or No	Question 3 Comment
Duke Energy	Yes	We are OK with the changes made to Requirement 3, but, in the interest of full disclosure, we expect that some explanatory language should be included to address the changes made not related to the FPL Request for Interpretation.
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The indication of “Pending” for the VRFs is intended to indicate that the VRFs are not approved by FERC. The VRFs were not filed with the original filing, and were addressed separately due to NERC staff concerns they did not comply with NERC’s VRF guidelines. Staff proposed VRFs were posted for industry comment January 7, 2009 through January 28, 2009. Staff made changes based on stakeholder feedback, and those VRFs were presented to and approved by the NERC Board of Trustees on November 4, 2010. The VRFs were filed with the Commission on December 1, 2010; FERC has not yet acted on them.</p> <p>The other changes were administrative in nature related to language used to enforce compliance, and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.</p>		
Northeast Power Coordinating Council	Yes	
MRO NSRF	Yes	

Organization	Yes or No	Question 3 Comment
ReliabilityFirst	Yes	
Manitoba Hydro	Yes	
Southwest Transmission Cooperative, Inc.	Negative	<p>We agree that the “Rapid” modification approach will work for a standard such as this where clarification of a single requirement is needed. This seems to be a much quicker way to get the clarification we need. The proposed changes do not appear to solve the original ambiguity. Because 3.1.2 describes using “A daily or hourly load forecast for TTCs used in current-day and next-day ATC calculations”, a registered entity might still believe that it has to calculate hourly TTCs. A clarification is needed that hourly load forecasts are required if the TOP uses hourly TTCs and daily load forecasts are needed if the TOP calculates a single TTC for a day.</p>
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The standard is not intended to require an hourly load forecast for hourly TTCs. Rather, it is intended to indicate that entities may use daily OR hourly forecasts in the TTC calculation for TTCs used in the current-day and next-day time frames. In other words, a daily load forecast is the minimum, but entities may also use hourly if they so choose.</p>		
ACES Power Marketing	Negative	We do not think the issue has been fully addressed. Please see our formal comments.
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment.</p>		
ACES Power Marketing Standards Collaborators and NCEMC Reps	No	<p>The proposed changes do not appear to solve the original ambiguity. Because 3.1.2 describes using “A daily or hourly load forecast for TTCs used in current-day and next-day ATC calculations”, a registered entity might still believe that it has to calculate hourly TTCs. A clarification is needed that hourly load forecasts are required if the TOP uses hourly TTCs and daily load forecasts are needed if the TOP calculates a single TTC for a day.</p>
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The standard is not intended to require an hourly load forecast for hourly TTCs. Rather, it is intended to indicate that entities may use daily OR hourly forecasts in the TTC calculation for TTCs used</p>		

Organization	Yes or No	Question 3 Comment
<p>in the current-day and next-day time frames. In other words, a daily load forecast is the minimum, but entities may also use hourly if they so choose.</p>		
<p>Georgia Transmission Corporation</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>The proposed revision goes beyond the issue raised in the interpretation request. The VRF levels have been changed to "PENDING". The SAR states, "Because FERC has not yet ruled on the VRFs for this standard, they have been marked as PENDING in order to not distract from the discussion of the modification." Please describe what input was given by the Interpretation Team. Please describe how this change was done in accordance with Reliability Standards Consensus Development Process - Step 5 of the Reliability Standards Development Procedure. In Order 729, "the Commission accepts the ERO's commitment to reevaluate the violation risk factors and violation severity levels associated with these MOD Reliability Standards through an open stakeholder process to ensure that they are consistent with the intent of violation risk factor definitions and Commission precedent." Changing the VRF levels in this "Rapid" approach and requesting a parallel vote prior to obtaining industry feedback (1) is not an open stakeholder process, (2) is making changes to one MOD standard while leaving the other MOD standards unchanged, (3) leaves auditors and the industry without any guidance as to the VRFs for MOD-028-2 requirements, and (4) does not appear in accordance with the Reliability Standards Development Procedure. GTC recommends following the Commission's determination outlined in Order 729 to reevaluate the VRFs associated with ALL of the proposed MOD Reliability Standards through a separate, open stakeholder process which could ensure the VRFs and VSLs are consistent with the intent of violation risk factor definitions and Commission precedent. Until this can be done, the VRFs should remain the same as MOD-028-1.</p>

Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The indication of “Pending” for the VRFs is intended to indicate that the VRFs are not approved by FERC. The VRFs were not filed with the original filing, and were addressed separately due to NERC staff concerns that they did not comply with NERC’s VRF guidelines. Staff proposed VRFs were posted for industry comment January 7, 2009 through January 28, 2009. Staff made changes based on stakeholder feedback, and those VRFs were presented to and approved by the NERC Board of Trustees on November 4, 2010. The VRFs were filed with the Commission on December 1, 2010 (see http://www.nerc.com/files/Final_Final_VSL_filing_complete.pdf); FERC has not yet acted on them.

Bonneville Power Administration		
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If you have any other comments on the SAR or on the proposed Standard that you have not provided above, please provide them here.

Summary Consideration: Several commenters expressed concern regarding the updates to the compliance sections of the standard; however, these changes were administrative in nature related to language used to enforce compliance, and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.

Specifically, some commenters questioned the data retention section of the standard and how it should be applied. Data should be retained as stated in the original standard. The added language gives instruction for when the retention period is shorter than the time since the last audit. An entity is responsible for compliance for the entire time since the last audit and will be expected to demonstrate its compliance. The paragraph that was added to the Data Retention section of the standard was written by NERC Legal staff to notify entities of this responsibility and is not specific to MOD-028-2; this paragraph is being added to all standards as they are revised.. This paragraph is not intended to mandate that entities retain data beyond the data retention periods specified, but entities should be prepared to provide some form of evidence to indicate the standard was complied with. Retaining data is one way (but not the only way) in which such compliance could be demonstrated.

For reference, the relevant text from Appendix 4C of NERC's Rules of Procedure is included below:

3.1.4.2 Period Covered

The Registered Entity's data and information should show compliance with the Reliability Standards that are the subject of the Compliance Audit for the period beginning with the day after the prior audit by the Compliance Enforcement Authority ended (or the later of June 18, 2007 or the Registered Entity's date of registration if the Registered Entity has not previously been subject to a Compliance Audit), and ending with the End Date for the Compliance Audit. However, if another Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement process has been conducted with respect to the Registered Entity subsequent to the date that would otherwise be the start of the period, the period covered by the Compliance Audit may, in the Regional Entity's discretion, begin with the completion of that Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement process for those Reliability Standards requirements that were the subject of the Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement process. The End Date will be stated in the Compliance Enforcement Authority's notification of the Compliance Audit issued to the Registered Entity pursuant to Section 3.1.1. The Registered Entity will be expected to demonstrate compliance for the entire period described above. However, if a Reliability Standard specifies a document retention period that does not cover the entire period described above, the Registered Entity will not be found in noncompliance solely on the basis of the lack of specific information that has rightfully not been retained based on the retention period specified in the Reliability Standard. However, in such cases, the Compliance Enforcement Authority will require the Registered Entity to demonstrate compliance through other means.

One commenter identified a capitalization error in R3.1, which has been corrected as noted so that the term “daily” is not capitalized.

Organization	Yes or No	Question 4 Comment
Northern Indiana Public Service Co.	Abstain	In MISO, not covered by this standard
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment.</p>		
Keys Energy Services	Affirmative	<p>Although the added language in the Data Retention section of the standard reflects the current language in the Rules of Procedure, it is unwise to have to change standards on a Rules of Procedure change, e.g., if the Rules of Procedure language on data retention is changed, would all the standards that mirrored that language also need to be changed and resubmitted to FERC for approval? This is too burdensome. The added wording should be stricken. Another possible solution is to refer to the section of the Rules of Procedure in the standard such that if a change to the RoP occurs, the standard would not need to be changed. This would require that the section numbering of the RoP remain consistent to not cause a change in the standard, but, such a numbering change is less likely to occur than a change in the wording.</p>
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The changes to which you refer are administrative in nature related to language used to enforce compliance, and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.</p> <p>Data should be retained as stated in the original standard. The added language gives instruction for when the retention period is shorter than the time since the last audit. An entity is responsible for compliance for the entire time since the last audit and will be expected to demonstrate its compliance. The paragraph that was added to the Data Retention section of the standard was written by NERC Legal staff to notify entities of this responsibility and is not specific to MOD-028-2; this paragraph is being added to all standards as they are revised.. This is not intended to mandate that entities retain data beyond the data retention periods specified, but entities should be prepared to provide some form of evidence to indicate the standard was complied with. Retaining data is one way (but not the only way) in which such compliance could be demonstrated.</p>		

Organization	Yes or No	Question 4 Comment
Florida Municipal Power Agency	Affirmative	<p>Although the added language in the Data Retention section of the standard reflects the current language in the Rules of Procedure, FMPA believes it is unwise to have to change standards on a Rules of Procedure change, e.g., if the Rules of Procedure language on data retention is changed, would all the standards that mirrored that language also need to be changed and resubmitted to FERC for approval? FMPA believes this is too burdensome. The added wording should be stricken. Another possible solution is to refer to the section of the Rules of Procedure in the standard such that if a change to the RoP occurs, the standard would not need to be changed. This would require that the section numbering of the RoP remain consistent to not cause a change in the standard, but, such a numbering change is less likely to occur than a change in the wording.</p>
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The changes to which you refer are administrative in nature related to language used to enforce compliance, and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.</p> <p>An entity is responsible for compliance for the entire time since the last audit and will be expected to demonstrate its compliance. The paragraph that was added to the Data Retention section of the standard was written by NERC Legal staff to notify entities of this responsibility and is not specific to MOD-028-2; this paragraph is being added to all standards as they are revised.. The added language gives instruction for when the retention period is shorter than the time since the last audit. An entity may be asked to show compliance for the entire time since the last audit. This is not intended to mandate that entities retain data beyond the data retention periods specified, but entities should be prepared to provide some form of evidence to indicate the standard was complied with. Retaining data is one way (but not the only way) in which such compliance could be demonstrated.</p> <p>Your suggestion to refer to the section of the Rules of Procedures is inconsistent with the current guidance to drafting teams, but will be submitted to NERC Legal for consideration for future drafting efforts.</p>		
Cleco Power LLC	Negative	<p>Reference section 1.2 NERC should be clearer about what data time frames they wish for us to retain data. If they want us to retain all data or other supporting data since the last audit, they should just say "all data since the last audit should be retained."</p>
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The changes to which you refer are administrative in nature related to</p>		

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<p>Gainesville Regional Utilities</p>	<p>Negative</p>	<p>I am OK with the changes in R3 to consolidate the two time frames which are sensible and consistent with the intent of the original standard. But, the changes under section D1.1 are not within the scope of the SAR and were not part of the interpretation request. The changes under Section D1.2 were not part of the SAR or interpretation request and are inconsistent with the original standard drafted by the technical experts, and approved by the industry. I understand that the standards team was aware of the amount of data potentially involved with the different requirements, set specific time lines to allow for verification of compliance with the standard without creating an undue burden in terms of data management, storage and recovery. The Team and the Industry in approving the standard felt that those time frames were appropriate, and that not every piece of data - some of which changes multiple times in an hour - need to be retained for three plus years. Ideally the SAR team would reconsider this change and return to the time frames originally determined by the drafting team and industry. At a minimum however the SAR team should allow 180 days after regulatory approval since multiple applications provided by various third party vendors may need to be modified to accommodate this change. The Team should also clarify that this expanded evidence requirement applies from the effective date of MOD 028-2 and beyond since MOD 028-1 did not require this longer term retention and data may already have been deleted.</p>
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The changes to which you refer are administrative in nature related to</p>		

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<p>Georgia Transmission Corporation</p>	<p>Negative</p>	<p>The proposed revision goes beyond FP&L’s request for interpretation. The VRF levels have been changed to “PENDING”. The SAR states, “Because FERC has not yet ruled on the VRFs for this standard, they have been marked as PENDING in order to not distract from the discussion of the modification.” Please describe what input was given by the Interpretation Team. Please describe how this change was done in accordance with Reliability Standards Consensus Development Process - Step 5 of the Reliability Standards Development Procedure. In Order 729, “the Commission accepts the ERO’s commitment to reevaluate the violation risk factors and violation severity levels associated with these MOD Reliability Standards through an open stakeholder process to ensure that they are consistent with the intent of violation risk factor definitions and Commission precedent.” Changing the VRF levels in this “Rapid” approach and requesting a parallel vote prior to obtaining industry feedback (1) is not an open stakeholder process, (2) is making changes to one MOD standard while leaving the other MOD standards unchanged, (3) leaves auditors and the industry without any guidance as to the VRFs for MOD-028-2 requirements, and (4) does not appear in accordance with the Reliability Standards Development Procedure. GTC recommends following the Commission’s determination outlined in Order 729 to reevaluate the VRF associated with ALL of the proposed MOD Reliability Standards through a separate, open stakeholder process which could ensure the VRFs and VSLs are consistent with the intent of violation risk factor definitions and Commission precedent.</p>

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<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The indication of “Pending” for the VRFs is intended to indicate that the VRFs are not approved by FERC. The VRFs were not filed with the original filing, and were addressed separately due to NERC staff concerns that they did not comply with NERC’s VRF guidelines. Staff proposed VRFs were posted for industry comment January 7, 2009 through January 28, 2009. Staff made changes based on stakeholder feedback, and those VRFs were presented to and approved by the NERC Board of Trustees on November 4, 2010. The VRFs were filed with the Commission on December 1, 2010 (http://www.nerc.com/files/Final_Final_VSL_filing_complete.pdf); FERC has not yet acted on them.</p>		
Lakeland Electric	Negative	<p>While the clarification provided is acceptable, the standard was also unacceptably modified to add increased data retention requirements as discussed in NERC Compliance Process Bulletin #2011-001. As the general rules governing data are subject to change they should not be placed within standards, especially when they seem to increase the data retention requirements beyond the SDT's original intent. Note that if the general rule changes - the standard will still have this additional data retention requirement and this is unacceptable.</p>
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The changes to which you refer are administrative in nature related to language used to enforce compliance, and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.</p> <p>Data should be retained as stated in the original standard. The added language gives instruction for when the retention period is shorter than the time since the last audit. An entity is responsible for compliance for the entire time since the last audit and will be expected to demonstrate its compliance. The paragraph that was added to the Data Retention section of the standard was written by NERC Legal staff to notify entities of this responsibility and is not specific to MOD-028-2; this paragraph is being added to all standards as they are revised. This is not intended to mandate that entities retain data beyond the data retention periods specified, but entities should be prepared to provide some form of evidence to indicate the standard was complied with. Retaining data is one way (but not the only way) in which such compliance could be demonstrated.</p>		
Orlando Utilities Commission	Negative	<p>The changes under Section D1.2 were not part of the SAR or interpretation request and are inconsistent with the original standard drafted by the technical experts, and approved by the industry. The standards team was aware of the amount of data potentially involved with the different requirements, and set specific storage limits to allow for verification of compliance with the standard without creating an undue</p>

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		burden in terms of data management, storage and recovery. As written this revised version effectively set's aside the time limits set by the drafting team and would require every piece of data to be indexed and retained for three years.
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Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Negative	The reason for voting against this is the insertion of language in section D.1.2. (Compliance, Data Retention) which is unreasonably broad and imposes new and immediate evidence requirements. Significant modifications to systems will likely be required to meet these requirements.
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The changes to which you refer are administrative in nature related to language used to enforce compliance, and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.</p> <p>Data should be retained as stated in the original standard. The added language gives instruction for when the retention period is shorter than the time since the last audit. An entity is responsible for compliance for the entire time since the last audit and will be expected to demonstrate its compliance. The paragraph that was added to the Data Retention section of the standard was written by NERC Legal staff to notify entities of this responsibility and is not specific to MOD-028-2; this paragraph is being added to all standards as they are revised. This is not intended to mandate entities retain data beyond the data retention periods specified, but entities should be prepared to provide some form of evidence to indicate the standard was complied with. Retaining the data is one way (but not the only way) in which such compliance could be demonstrated.</p>		
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LLC Cleco Corporation		for us to retain data. If they want us to retain all data or other supporting data since the last audit, they should just say "all data since the last audit should be retained."
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Orlando Utilities Commission	Negative	Interpretation requests are for clarifying a standard, but cannot by definition change what the standard requires. The changes to the evidence required and the retention period is a change from the original standard and should not be made through an interpretation process, especially when the interpretation did not address evidence or retention period.
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. The changes to which you refer are administrative in nature related to language used to enforce compliance, and do not indicate changes to the stakeholder-approved requirements of the standard.</p> <p>Data should be retained as stated in the original standard. The added language gives instruction for when the retention period is shorter than the time since the last audit. An entity is responsible for compliance for the entire time since the last audit and will be expected to demonstrate its compliance. The paragraph that was added to the Data Retention section of the standard was written by NERC Legal staff to notify entities of this responsibility and is not specific to MOD-028-2; this paragraph is being added to all standards as they are revised. This is not intended to mandate entities retain data beyond the data retention periods specified, but entities should be prepared to provide some form of evidence to indicate the standard was complied with. Retaining the data is one way (but not the only way) in which such compliance could be demonstrated.</p>		
ReliabilityFirst		ReliabilityFirst agrees with that the redlined changes further clarify the intent of R3.1

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		but noticed one typo. The term “Daily” in part 3.1.3 should not be capitalized since the term “Daily” is not a definition listed in the NERC Glossary of terms.
<p>Response: The Drafting Team thanks you for your comment. R3.1 has been corrected as noted so that the term “daily” is not capitalized.</p>		
Northeast Power Coordinating Council		
NCEMC Reps		
ACES Power Marketing Standards Collaborators		
MRO NSRF		NONE
Duke Energy		
Georgia Transmission Corporation		
Manitoba Hydro		
Bonneville Power Administration		BPA has no comments or concerns at this time as BPA does not implement this standard.

END OF REPORT

A. Introduction

1. **Title: Area Interchange Methodology**
2. **Number: MOD-028-2**
3. **Purpose:** To increase consistency and reliability in the development and documentation of Transfer Capability calculations for short-term use performed by entities using the Area Interchange Methodology to support analysis and system operations.
4. **Applicability:**
 - 4.1. Each Transmission Operator that uses the Area Interchange Methodology to calculate Total Transfer Capabilities (TTCs) for ATC Paths.
 - 4.2. Each Transmission Service Provider that uses the Area Interchange Methodology to calculate Available Transfer Capabilities (ATCs) for ATC Paths.
5. **Proposed Effective Date:** In those jurisdictions where regulatory approval is required, this standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter after applicable regulatory approval. In those jurisdictions where no regulatory approval is required, this standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter after Board of Trustees approval.

B. Requirements

- R1. Each Transmission Service Provider shall include in its Available Transfer Capability Implementation Document (ATCID), at a minimum, the following information relative to its methodology for determining Total Transfer Capability (TTC): [*Violation Risk Factor: PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]
 - R1.1. Information describing how the selected methodology has been implemented, in such detail that, given the same information used by the Transmission Operator, the results of the TTC calculations can be validated.
 - R1.2. A description of the manner in which the Transmission Operator will account for Interchange Schedules in the calculation of TTC.
 - R1.3. Any contractual obligations for allocation of TTC.
 - R1.4. A description of the manner in which Contingencies are identified for use in the TTC process.
 - R1.5. The following information on how source and sink for transmission service is accounted for in ATC calculations including:
 - R1.5.1. Define if the source used for Available Transfer Capability (ATC) calculations is obtained from the source field or the Point of Receipt (POR) field of the transmission reservation
 - R1.5.2. Define if the sink used for ATC calculations is obtained from the sink field or the Point of Delivery (POD) field of the transmission reservation

- R4.3.** Include, for each time period, the Firm Transmission Service expected to be scheduled as specified in the ATCID (filtered to reduce or eliminate duplicate impacts from transactions using Transmission service from multiple Transmission Service Providers) for the Transmission Service Provider, all adjacent Transmission Service Providers, and any Transmission Service Providers with which coordination agreements have been executed modeling the source and sink as follows:
- If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and it is discretely modeled in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the discretely modeled point as the source.
 - If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can be mapped to an "equivalence" or "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the modeled equivalence or aggregate as the source.
 - If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point cannot be mapped to a discretely modeled point, an "equivalence," or an "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider from which the power is to be received as the source.
 - If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has not been identified in the reservation, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider from which the power is to be received as the source.
 - If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and it is discretely modeled in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the discretely modeled point shall as the sink.
 - If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can be mapped to an "equivalence" or "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the modeled equivalence or aggregate as the sink.
 - If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can not be mapped to a discretely modeled point, an "equivalence," or an "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider to which the power is to be delivered as the sink.
 - If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has not been identified in the reservation, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider to which the power is being delivered as the sink.

- R5.** Each Transmission Operator shall establish TTC for each ATC Path as defined below:
[Violation Risk Factor: PENDING] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]
- R5.1.** At least once within the seven calendar days prior to the specified period for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations.
- R5.2.** At least once per calendar month for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.
- R5.3.** Within 24 hours of the unexpected outage of a 500 kV or higher transmission Facility or a transformer with a low-side voltage of 200 kV or higher for TTCs in effect during the anticipated duration of the outage, provided such outage is expected to last 24 hours or longer.
- R6.** Each Transmission Operator shall establish TTC for each ATC Path using the following process: *[Violation Risk Factor: PENDING] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]*
- R6.1.** Determine the incremental Transfer Capability for each ATC Path by increasing generation and/or decreasing load within the source Balancing Authority area and decreasing generation and/or increasing load within the sink Balancing Authority area until either:
- A System Operating Limit is reached on the Transmission Service Provider’s system, or
 - A SOL is reached on any other adjacent system in the Transmission model that is not on the study path and the distribution factor is 5% or greater¹.
- R6.2.** If the limit in step R6.1 can not be reached by adjusting any combination of load or generation, then set the incremental Transfer Capability by the results of the case where the maximum adjustments were applied.
- R6.3.** Use (as the TTC) the lesser of:
- The sum of the incremental Transfer Capability and the impacts of Firm Transmission Services, as specified in the Transmission Service Provider’s ATCID, that were included in the study model, or
 - The sum of Facility Ratings of all ties comprising the ATC Path.
- R6.4.** For ATC Paths whose capacity uses jointly-owned or allocated Facilities, limit TTC for each Transmission Service Provider so the TTC does not exceed each Transmission Service Provider’s contractual rights.
- R7.** The Transmission Operator shall provide the Transmission Service Provider of that ATC Path with the most current value for TTC for that ATC Path no more than:
[Violation Risk Factor: PENDING] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]
- R7.1.** One calendar day after its determination for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations.
- R7.2.** Seven calendar days after its determination for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.

¹ The Transmission operator may honor distribution factors less than 5% if desired.

- R8.** When calculating Existing Transmission Commitments (ETCs) for firm commitments (ETC_F) for all time periods for an ATC Path the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm: [*Violation Risk Factor: PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]

$$ETC_F = NITS_F + GF_F + PTP_F + ROR_F + OS_F$$

Where:

NITS_F is the firm capacity set aside for Network Integration Transmission Service (including the capacity used to serve bundled load within the Transmission Service Provider's area with external sources) on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

GF_F is the firm capacity set aside for Grandfathered Firm Transmission Service and contracts for energy and/or Transmission Service, where executed prior to the effective date of a Transmission Service Provider's Open Access Transmission Tariff or safe harbor tariff on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

PTP_F is the firm capacity reserved for confirmed Point-to-Point Transmission Service.

ROR_F is the capacity reserved for roll-over rights for Firm Transmission Service contracts granting Transmission Customers the right of first refusal to take or continue to take Transmission Service when the Transmission Customer's Transmission Service contract expires or is eligible for renewal.

OS_F is the firm capacity reserved for any other service(s), contract(s), or agreement(s) not specified above using Firm Transmission Service, including any other firm adjustments to reflect impacts from other ATC Paths of the Transmission Service Provider as specified in the ATCID.

- R9.** When calculating ETC for non-firm commitments (ETC_{NF}) for all time periods for an ATC Path the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm: [*Violation Risk Factor: PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]

$$ETC_{NF} = NITS_{NF} + GF_{NF} + PTP_{NF} + OS_{NF}$$

Where:

NITS_{NF} is the non-firm capacity set aside for Network Integration Transmission Service (i.e., secondary service, including the capacity used to serve bundled load within the Transmission Service Provider's area with external sources) reserved on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

GF_{NF} is the non-firm capacity reserved for Grandfathered Non-Firm Transmission Service and contracts for energy and/or Transmission Service, where executed prior to the effective date of a Transmission Service Provider's Open Access Transmission Tariff or safe harbor tariff on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

PTP_{NF} is non-firm capacity reserved for confirmed Point-to-Point Transmission Service.

OS_{NF} is the non-firm capacity reserved for any other service(s), contract(s), or agreement(s) not specified above using Non-Firm Transmission Service, including any other firm adjustments to reflect impacts from other ATC Paths of the Transmission Service Provider as specified in the ATCID.

- R10.** When calculating firm ATC for an ATC Path for a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider shall utilize the following algorithm: [*Violation Risk Factor: PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]

$$ATC_F = TTC - ETC_F - CBM - TRM + Postbacks_F + counterflows_F$$

Where:

ATC_F is the firm Available Transfer Capability for the ATC Path for that period.

TTC is the Total Transfer Capability of the ATC Path for that period.

ETC_F is the sum of existing firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

CBM is the Capacity Benefit Margin for the ATC Path during that period.

TRM is the Transmission Reliability Margin for the ATC Path during that period.

Postbacks_F are changes to firm ATC due to a change in the use of Transmission Service for that period, as defined in Business Practices.

counterflows_F are adjustments to firm ATC as determined by the Transmission Service Provider and specified in the ATCID.

- R11.** When calculating non-firm ATC for a ATC Path for a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm: [*Violation Risk Factor: Lower*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]

$$ATC_{NF} = TTC - ETC_F - ETC_{NF} - CBM_S - TRM_U + Postbacks_{NF} + counterflows_{NF}$$

Where:

ATC_{NF} is the non-firm Available Transfer Capability for the ATC Path for that period.

TTC is the Total Transfer Capability of the ATC Path for that period.

ETC_F is the sum of existing firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

ETC_{NF} is the sum of existing non-firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

CBM_S is the Capacity Benefit Margin for the ATC Path that has been scheduled without a separate reservation during that period.

TRM_U is the Transmission Reliability Margin for the ATC Path that has not been released for sale (unreleased) as non-firm capacity by the Transmission Service Provider during that period.

Postbacks_{NF} are changes to non-firm ATC due to a change in the use of Transmission Service for that period, as defined in Business Practices.

counterflows_{NF} are adjustments to non-firm ATC as determined by the Transmission Service Provider and specified in the ATCID.

C. Measures

- M1.** Each Transmission Service Provider shall provide its current ATCID that has the information described in R1 to show compliance with R1. (R1)
- M2.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence including the model used to calculate TTC as well as other evidence (such as Facility Ratings provided by facility owners, written documentation, logs, and data) to show that the modeling requirements in R2 were met. (R2)
- M3.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence, including scheduled outages, facility additions and retirements, (such as written documentation, logs, and data) that the data described in R3 and R4 were included in the determination of TTC as specified in the ATCID. (R3)
- M4.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide the contingencies used in determining TTC and the ATCID as evidence to show that the contingencies described in the ATCID were included in the determination of TTC. (R4)
- M5.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide copies of contracts that contain requirements to allocate TTCs and TTC values to show that any contractual allocations of TTC were respected as required in R4.2. (R4)
- M6.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as copies of coordination agreements, reservations, interchange transactions, or other documentation) to show that firm reservations were used to estimate scheduled interchange, the modeling of scheduled interchange was based on the rules described in R4.3, and that estimated scheduled interchange was included in the determination of TTC. (R4)
- M7.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as logs and data and dated copies of requests from the Transmission Service Provider to establish TTCs at specific intervals) that TTCs have been established at least once in the calendar week prior to the specified period for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations, at least once per calendar month for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations, and within 24 hours of the unexpected outage of a 500 kV or higher transmission Facility or a autotransformer with a low-side voltage of 200 kV or higher for TTCs in effect during the anticipated duration of the outage; provided such outage is expected to last 24 hours or longer in duration per the specifications in R5.(R5)
- M8.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as written documentation) that TTCs have been calculated using the process described in R6. (R6)
- M9.** Each Transmission Operator shall have evidence including a copy of the latest calculated TTC values along with a dated copy of email notices or other equivalent evidence to show that it provided its Transmission Service Provider with the most current values for TTC in accordance with R7. (R7)

- M10.** The Transmission Service Provider shall demonstrate compliance with R8 by recalculating firm ETC for any specific time period as described in (MOD-001 R2), using the algorithm defined in R8 and with data used to calculate the specified value for the designated time period. The data used must meet the requirements specified in MOD-028-1 and the ATCID. To account for differences that may occur when recalculating the value (due to mixing automated and manual processes), any recalculated value that is within +/- 15% or 15 MW, whichever is greater, of the originally calculated value, is evidence that the Transmission Service Provider used the algorithm in R8 to calculate its firm ETC. (R8)
- M11.** The Transmission Service Provider shall demonstrate compliance with R9 by recalculating non-firm ETC for any specific time period as described in (MOD-001 R2), using the algorithm defined in R9 and with data used to calculate the specified value for the designated time period. The data used must meet the requirements specified in MOD-028-1 and the ATCID. To account for differences that may occur when recalculating the value (due to mixing automated and manual processes), any recalculated value that is within +/- 15% or 15 MW, whichever is greater, of the originally calculated value, is evidence that the Transmission Service Provider used the algorithm in R8 to calculate its non-firm ETC. (R9)
- M12.** Each Transmission Service Provider shall produce the supporting documentation for the processes used to implement the algorithm that calculates firm ATCs, as required in R10. Such documentation must show that only the variables allowed in R10 were used to calculate firm ATCs, and that the processes use the current values for the variables as determined in the requirements or definitions. Note that any variable may legitimately be zero if the value is not applicable or calculated to be zero (such as counterflows, TRM, CBM, etc...). The supporting documentation may be provided in the same form and format as stored by the Transmission Service Provider. (R10)
- M13.** Each Transmission Service Provider shall produce the supporting documentation for the processes used to implement the algorithm that calculates non-firm ATCs, as required in R11. Such documentation must show that only the variables allowed in R11 were used to calculate non-firm ATCs, and that the processes use the current values for the variables as determined in the requirements or definitions. Note that any variable may legitimately be zero if the value is not applicable or calculated to be zero (such as counterflows, TRM, CBM, etc...). The supporting documentation may be provided in the same form and format as stored by the Transmission Service Provider. (R11)

D. Compliance

1. Compliance Monitoring Process

1.1. Compliance Enforcement Authority

For entities that do not work for the Regional Entity, the Regional Entity shall serve as the Compliance Enforcement Authority.

For functional entities that work for their Regional Entity, the ERO or a Regional Entity approved by the ERO and FERC or other applicable governmental authorities shall serve as the Compliance Enforcement Authority.

1.2. Data Retention

The following evidence retention periods identify the period of time an entity is required to retain specific evidence to demonstrate compliance. For instances where the evidence retention period specified below is shorter than the time since the last audit, the Compliance Enforcement Authority may ask an entity to provide other evidence to show that it was compliant for the full time period since the last audit.

The Transmission Operator and Transmission Service Provider shall keep data or evidence to show compliance as identified below unless directed by its Compliance Enforcement Authority to retain specific evidence for a longer period of time as part of an investigation:

- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain its current, in force ATCID and any prior versions of the ATCID that were in force since the last compliance audit to show compliance with R1.
- The Transmission Operator shall have its latest model used to calculate TTC and evidence of the previous version to show compliance with R2.
- The Transmission Operator shall retain evidence to show compliance with R3 for the most recent 12 months or until the model used to calculate TTC is updated, whichever is longer.
- The Transmission Operator shall retain evidence to show compliance with R4, R5, R6 and R7 for the most recent 12 months.
- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain evidence to show compliance in calculating hourly values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 14 days; evidence to show compliance in calculating daily values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 30 days; and evidence to show compliance in calculating monthly values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 60 days.
- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain evidence to show compliance with R10 and R11 for the most recent 12 months.
- If a Transmission Service Provider or Transmission Operator is found non-compliant, it shall keep information related to the non-compliance until found compliant.
- The Compliance Enforcement Authority shall keep the last audit records and all requested and submitted subsequent audit records.

1.3. Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Processes:

The following processes may be used:

- Compliance Audits
- Self-Certifications
- Spot Checking
- Compliance Violation Investigations
- Self-Reporting
- Complaints

1.4. Additional Compliance Information

None.

2. Violation Severity Levels

R #	Lower VSL	Moderate VSL	High VSL	Severe VSL
R1.	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing two of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing three of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing more than three of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements)
R2.	<p>The Transmission Operator used one to ten Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model.</p>	<p>The Transmission Operator used eleven to twenty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model.</p>	<p>One or both of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator used twenty-one to thirty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model. • The Transmission Operator did not use a Transmission model that includes modeling data and topology (or equivalent representation) for one adjacent Reliability Coordinator Area. 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator used more than thirty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model. • The Transmission Operator's model includes equivalent representation of non-radial facilities greater than 161 kV for its own Reliability Coordinator Area. • The Transmission Operator did not use a Transmission model that includes modeling data and topology (or equivalent representation) for two or more adjacent Reliability Coordinator

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				Areas.
R3.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process one to ten expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process eleven to twenty-five expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process twenty-six to fifty expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	One or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process more than fifty expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID. • The Transmission Operator did not include the Load forecast or unit commitment in its TTC calculation as described in R3.
R4.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R4.3 for more than zero reservations, but not more than 5% of all reservations; or 1 reservation, whichever is greater.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R4.3 for more than 5%, but not more than 10% of all reservations; or 2 reservations, whichever is greater.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R4.3 for more than 10%, but not more than 15% of all reservations; or 3 reservations, whichever is greater.	One or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC calculation the contingencies that met the criteria described in the ATCID. • The Transmission Operator did not respect contractual allocations of TTC. • The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R4.3 for more than 15% of all reservations; or more than 3 reservations, whichever is greater. • The Transmission Operator did not use firm reservations to estimate interchange or did not

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				utilize that estimate in the TTC calculation as described in R4.3.
R5.	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in hourly or daily ATCs within 7 calendar days but did establish the values within 10 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a calendar month but did establish the values within the next consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in hourly or daily ATCs in 10 calendar days but did establish the values within 13 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a two consecutive calendar month period but did establish the values within the third consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for used in hourly or daily ATCs in 13 calendar days but did establish the values within 16 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a three consecutive calendar month period but did establish the values within the fourth consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for used in hourly or daily ATCs in 16 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a four or more consecutive calendar month period The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs within 24 hrs of the triggers defined in R5.3
R6.	N/A	N/A	N/A	The Transmission Operator did not calculate TTCs per the process specified in R6.
R7.	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than one calendar day after their determination, but not been more than two calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than two calendar days after their determination, but not been more than three calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than three calendar days after their determination, but not been more than four calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than four calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator did not provide its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or

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	<p>has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than seven calendar days after their determination, but not more than 14 calendar days since their determination.</p>	<p>has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 14 calendar days after their determination, but not been more than 21 calendar days after their determination.</p>	<p>has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 21 calendar days after their determination, but not been more than 28 calendar days after their determination.</p>	<p>daily ATC calculations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 28 calendar days after their determination. • The Transmission Operator did not provide its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.
R8.	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 15% of the value calculated in the measure or 15MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater.</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater.</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.</p>
R9.	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 15% of the value calculated in the measure or 15MW, whichever is greater, but not</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater, but not</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater, but not</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.</p>

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	more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater.	more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater...	more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.	
R10.	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than zero ATC Paths, but not more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater), but not more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater), but not more than 15% of all ATC Paths or 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 15% of all ATC Paths or more than 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).
R11.	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than zero ATC Paths, but not more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater), but not more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater), but not more than 15% of all ATC Paths or 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 15% of all ATC Paths or more than 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).

A. Introduction

1. **Title: Area Interchange Methodology**
2. **Number: MOD-028-~~1~~2**
3. **Purpose:** To increase consistency and reliability in the development and documentation of Transfer Capability calculations for short-term use performed by entities using the Area Interchange Methodology to support analysis and system operations.
4. **Applicability:**
 - 4.1. Each Transmission Operator that uses the Area Interchange Methodology to calculate Total Transfer Capabilities (TTCs) for ATC Paths.
 - 4.2. Each Transmission Service Provider that uses the Area Interchange Methodology to calculate Available Transfer Capabilities (ATCs) for ATC Paths.
5. **Proposed Effective Date:** In those jurisdictions where regulatory approval is required, this standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter after applicable regulatory approval. In those jurisdictions where no regulatory approval is required, this standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter after Board of Trustees approval.~~First day of the first calendar quarter that is twelve months beyond the date that all four standards (MOD-001-1, MOD-028-1, MOD-029-1, and MOD-030-1) are approved by all applicable regulatory authorities.~~

B. Requirements

- R1. Each Transmission Service Provider shall include in its Available Transfer Capability Implementation Document (ATCID), at a minimum, the following information relative to its methodology for determining Total Transfer Capability (TTC): [*Violation Risk Factor: PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]
 - R1.1. Information describing how the selected methodology has been implemented, in such detail that, given the same information used by the Transmission Operator, the results of the TTC calculations can be validated.
 - R1.2. A description of the manner in which the Transmission Operator will account for Interchange Schedules in the calculation of TTC.
 - R1.3. Any contractual obligations for allocation of TTC.
 - R1.4. A description of the manner in which Contingencies are identified for use in the TTC process.
 - R1.5. The following information on how source and sink for transmission service is accounted for in ATC calculations including:
 - R1.5.1. Define if the source used for Available Transfer Capability (ATC) calculations is obtained from the source field or the Point of Receipt (POR) field of the transmission reservation
 - R1.5.2. Define if the sink used for ATC calculations is obtained from the sink field or the Point of Delivery (POD) field of the transmission reservation

- R1.5.3.** The source/sink or POR/POD identification and mapping to the model.
- R1.5.4.** If the Transmission Service Provider's ATC calculation process involves a grouping of generation, the ATCID must identify how these generators participate in the group.
- R2.** When calculating TTC for ATC Paths, the Transmission Operator shall use a Transmission model that contains all of the following: [*Violation Risk Factor: PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]
 - R2.1.** Modeling data and topology of its Reliability Coordinator's area of responsibility. Equivalent representation of radial lines and facilities 161 kV or below is allowed.
 - R2.2.** Modeling data and topology (or equivalent representation) for immediately adjacent and beyond Reliability Coordination areas.
 - R2.3.** Facility Ratings specified by the Generator Owners and Transmission Owners.
- R3.** When calculating TTCs for ATC Paths, the Transmission Operator shall include the following data for the Transmission Service Provider's area. The Transmission Operator shall also include the following data associated with Facilities that are explicitly represented in the Transmission model, as provided by adjacent Transmission Service Providers and any other Transmission Service Providers with which coordination agreements have been executed: [*Violation Risk Factor: PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]
 - R3.1.** For ~~on-peak and off-peak intra-day and next-day~~ TTCs, use the following (as well as any other values and additional parameters as specified in the ATCID):
 - R3.1.1.** Expected generation and Transmission outages, additions, and retirements, included as specified in the ATCID.
 - R3.1.2.** A daily or hourly load forecast for TTCs used in current-day and next-day ATC calculations.~~Load forecast for the applicable period being calculated.~~
 - R3.1.3.** A daily load forecast for TTCs used in ATC calculations for days two through 31.
 - ~~R3.1.2.~~R3.1.4.** A monthly load forecast for TTCs used in ATC calculations for months two through 13 months TTCs.
 - ~~R3.1.3.~~R3.1.5.** Unit commitment and dispatch order, to include all designated network resources and other resources that are committed or have the legal obligation to run, (within or out of economic dispatch) as they are expected to run.
 - ~~R3.2.~~** ~~For days two through 31 TTCs and for months two through 13 TTCs, use the following (as well as any other values and internal parameters as specified in the ATCID):~~

~~R3.2.1. Expected generation and Transmission outages, additions, and Retirements, included as specified in the ATCID.~~

~~R3.2.2. Daily load forecast for the days two through 31 TTCs being calculated and monthly forecast for months two through 13 months TTCs being calculated.~~

~~R3.2.3. Unit commitment and dispatch order, to include all designated network resources and other resources that are committed or have the legal obligation to run, (within or out of economic dispatch) as they are expected to run.~~

R4. When calculating TTCs for ATC Paths, the Transmission Operator shall meet all of the following conditions: *[Violation Risk Factor: PENDING] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]*

R4.1. Use all Contingencies meeting the criteria described in the ATCID.

R4.2. Respect any contractual allocations of TTC.

R4.3. Include, for each time period, the Firm Transmission Service expected to be scheduled as specified in the ATCID (filtered to reduce or eliminate duplicate impacts from transactions using Transmission service from multiple Transmission Service Providers) for the Transmission Service Provider, all adjacent Transmission Service Providers, and any Transmission Service Providers with which coordination agreements have been executed modeling the source and sink as follows:

- If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and it is discretely modeled in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the discretely modeled point as the source.
- If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can be mapped to an "equivalence" or "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the modeled equivalence or aggregate as the source.
- If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point cannot be mapped to a discretely modeled point, an "equivalence," or an "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider from which the power is to be received as the source.
- If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has not been identified in the reservation, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider from which the power is to be received as the source.
- If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and it is discretely modeled in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the discretely modeled point shall as the sink.

- If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can be mapped to an “equivalence” or “aggregate representation” in the Transmission Service Provider’s Transmission model, use the modeled equivalence or aggregate as the sink.
 - If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can not be mapped to a discretely modeled point, an “equivalence,” or an “aggregate representation” in the Transmission Service Provider’s Transmission model, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider to which the power is to be delivered as the sink.
 - If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has not been identified in the reservation, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider to which the power is being delivered as the sink.
- R5.** Each Transmission Operator shall establish TTC for each ATC Path as defined below: *[Violation Risk Factor: PENDING] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]*
- R5.1.** At least once within the seven calendar days prior to the specified period for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations.
 - R5.2.** At least once per calendar month for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.
 - R5.3.** Within 24 hours of the unexpected outage of a 500 kV or higher transmission Facility or a transformer with a low-side voltage of 200 kV or higher for TTCs in effect during the anticipated duration of the outage, provided such outage is expected to last 24 hours or longer.
- R6.** Each Transmission Operator shall establish TTC for each ATC Path using the following process: *[Violation Risk Factor: PENDING] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]*
- R6.1.** Determine the incremental Transfer Capability for each ATC Path by increasing generation and/or decreasing load within the source Balancing Authority area and decreasing generation and/or increasing load within the sink Balancing Authority area until either:
 - A System Operating Limit is reached on the Transmission Service Provider’s system, or
 - A SOL is reached on any other adjacent system in the Transmission model that is not on the study path and the distribution factor is 5% or greater¹.
 - R6.2.** If the limit in step R6.1 can not be reached by adjusting any combination of load or generation, then set the incremental Transfer Capability by the results of the case where the maximum adjustments were applied.
 - R6.3.** Use (as the TTC) the lesser of:

¹ The Transmission operator may honor distribution factors less than 5% if desired.

- The sum of the incremental Transfer Capability and the impacts of Firm Transmission Services, as specified in the Transmission Service Provider’s ATCID, that were included in the study model, or
 - The sum of Facility Ratings of all ties comprising the ATC Path.
- R6.4.** For ATC Paths whose capacity uses jointly-owned or allocated Facilities, limit TTC for each Transmission Service Provider so the TTC does not exceed each Transmission Service Provider’s contractual rights.
- R7.** The Transmission Operator shall provide the Transmission Service Provider of that ATC Path with the most current value for TTC for that ATC Path no more than:
[Violation Risk Factor: PENDING] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]
- R7.1.** One calendar day after its determination for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations.
- R7.2.** Seven calendar days after its determination for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.
- R8.** When calculating Existing Transmission Commitments (ETCs) for firm commitments (ETC_F) for all time periods for an ATC Path the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm: *[Violation Risk Factor: PENDING] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]*

$$ETC_F = NITS_F + GF_F + PTP_F + ROR_F + OS_F$$

Where:

NITS_F is the firm capacity set aside for Network Integration Transmission Service (including the capacity used to serve bundled load within the Transmission Service Provider’s area with external sources) on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

GF_F is the firm capacity set aside for Grandfathered Firm Transmission Service and contracts for energy and/or Transmission Service, where executed prior to the effective date of a Transmission Service Provider’s Open Access Transmission Tariff or safe harbor tariff on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

PTP_F is the firm capacity reserved for confirmed Point-to-Point Transmission Service.

ROR_F is the capacity reserved for roll-over rights for Firm Transmission Service contracts granting Transmission Customers the right of first refusal to take or continue to take Transmission Service when the Transmission Customer’s Transmission Service contract expires or is eligible for renewal.

OS_F is the firm capacity reserved for any other service(s), contract(s), or agreement(s) not specified above using Firm Transmission Service, including any other firm adjustments to reflect impacts from other ATC Paths of the Transmission Service Provider as specified in the ATCID.

- R9.** When calculating ETC for non-firm commitments (ETC_{NF}) for all time periods for an ATC Path the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm:
[Violation Risk Factor: *PENDING*] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]

$$ETC_{NF} = NITS_{NF} + GF_{NF} + PTP_{NF} + OS_{NF}$$

Where:

$NITS_{NF}$ is the non-firm capacity set aside for Network Integration Transmission Service (i.e., secondary service , including the capacity used to serve bundled load within the Transmission Service Provider’s area with external sources) reserved on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

GF_{NF} is the non-firm capacity reserved for Grandfathered Non-Firm Transmission Service and contracts for energy and/or Transmission Service, where executed prior to the effective date of a Transmission Service Provider’s Open Access Transmission Tariff or safe harbor tariff on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

PTP_{NF} is non-firm capacity reserved for confirmed Point-to-Point Transmission Service.

OS_{NF} is the non-firm capacity reserved for any other service(s), contract(s), or agreement(s) not specified above using Non-Firm Transmission Service, including any other firm adjustments to reflect impacts from other ATC Paths of the Transmission Service Provider as specified in the ATCID.

- R10.** When calculating firm ATC for an ATC Path for a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider shall utilize the following algorithm: [*Violation Risk Factor: PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]

$$ATC_F = TTC - ETC_F - CBM - TRM + Postbacks_F + counterflows_F$$

Where:

ATC_F is the firm Available Transfer Capability for the ATC Path for that period.

TTC is the Total Transfer Capability of the ATC Path for that period.

ETC_F is the sum of existing firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

CBM is the Capacity Benefit Margin for the ATC Path during that period.

TRM is the Transmission Reliability Margin for the ATC Path during that period.

$Postbacks_F$ are changes to firm ATC due to a change in the use of Transmission Service for that period, as defined in Business Practices.

$counterflows_F$ are adjustments to firm ATC as determined by the Transmission Service Provider and specified in the ATCID.

- R11.** When calculating non-firm ATC for a ATC Path for a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm: [*Violation Risk Factor: Lower*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]

$$ATC_{NF} = TTC - ETC_F - ETC_{NF} - CBM_S - TRM_U + Postbacks_{NF} + counterflows_{NF}$$

Where:

ATC_{NF} is the non-firm Available Transfer Capability for the ATC Path for that period.

TTC is the Total Transfer Capability of the ATC Path for that period.

ETC_F is the sum of existing firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

ETC_{NF} is the sum of existing non-firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

CBM_S is the Capacity Benefit Margin for the ATC Path that has been scheduled without a separate reservation during that period.

TRM_U is the Transmission Reliability Margin for the ATC Path that has not been released for sale (unreleased) as non-firm capacity by the Transmission Service Provider during that period.

Postbacks_{NF} are changes to non-firm ATC due to a change in the use of Transmission Service for that period, as defined in Business Practices.

counterflows_{NF} are adjustments to non-firm ATC as determined by the Transmission Service Provider and specified in the ATCID.

C. Measures

- M1.** Each Transmission Service Provider shall provide its current ATCID that has the information described in R1 to show compliance with R1. (R1)
- M2.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence including the model used to calculate TTC as well as other evidence (such as Facility Ratings provided by facility owners, written documentation, logs, and data) to show that the modeling requirements in R2 were met. (R2)
- M3.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence, including scheduled outages, facility additions and retirements, (such as written documentation, logs, and data) that the data described in R3 and R4 were included in the determination of TTC as specified in the ATCID. (R3)
- M4.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide the contingencies used in determining TTC and the ATCID as evidence to show that the contingencies described in the ATCID were included in the determination of TTC. (R4)
- M5.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide copies of contracts that contain requirements to allocate TTCs and TTC values to show that any contractual allocations of TTC were respected as required in R4.2. (R4)
- M6.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as copies of coordination agreements, reservations, interchange transactions, or other documentation) to show that firm reservations were used to estimate scheduled interchange, the modeling of scheduled interchange was based on the rules described in R4.3, and that estimated scheduled interchange was included in the determination of TTC. (R4)

- M7.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as logs and data and dated copies of requests from the Transmission Service Provider to establish TTCs at specific intervals) that TTCs have been established at least once in the calendar week prior to the specified period for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations, at least once per calendar month for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations, and within 24 hours of the unexpected outage of a 500 kV or higher transmission Facility or a autotransformer with a low-side voltage of 200 kV or higher for TTCs in effect during the anticipated duration of the outage; provided such outage is expected to last 24 hours or longer in duration per the specifications in R5.(R5)
- M8.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as written documentation) that TTCs have been calculated using the process described in R6. (R6)
- M9.** Each Transmission Operator shall have evidence including a copy of the latest calculated TTC values along with a dated copy of email notices or other equivalent evidence to show that it provided its Transmission Service Provider with the most current values for TTC in accordance with R7. (R7)
- M10.** The Transmission Service Provider shall demonstrate compliance with R8 by recalculating firm ETC for any specific time period as described in (MOD-001 R2), using the algorithm defined in R8 and with data used to calculate the specified value for the designated time period. The data used must meet the requirements specified in MOD-028-1 and the ATCID. To account for differences that may occur when recalculating the value (due to mixing automated and manual processes), any recalculated value that is within +/- 15% or 15 MW, whichever is greater, of the originally calculated value, is evidence that the Transmission Service Provider used the algorithm in R8 to calculate its firm ETC. (R8)
- M11.** The Transmission Service Provider shall demonstrate compliance with R9 by recalculating non-firm ETC for any specific time period as described in (MOD-001 R2), using the algorithm defined in R9 and with data used to calculate the specified value for the designated time period. The data used must meet the requirements specified in MOD-028-1 and the ATCID. To account for differences that may occur when recalculating the value (due to mixing automated and manual processes), any recalculated value that is within +/- 15% or 15 MW, whichever is greater, of the originally calculated value, is evidence that the Transmission Service Provider used the algorithm in R8 to calculate its non-firm ETC. (R9)
- M12.** Each Transmission Service Provider shall produce the supporting documentation for the processes used to implement the algorithm that calculates firm ATCs, as required in R10. Such documentation must show that only the variables allowed in R10 were used to calculate firm ATCs, and that the processes use the current values for the variables as determined in the requirements or definitions. Note that any variable may legitimately be zero if the value is not applicable or calculated to be zero (such as counterflows, TRM, CBM, etc...). The supporting documentation may be provided in the same form and format as stored by the Transmission Service Provider. (R10)
- M13.** Each Transmission Service Provider shall produce the supporting documentation for the processes used to implement the algorithm that calculates non-firm ATCs, as required in R11. Such documentation must show that only the variables allowed in R11

were used to calculate non-firm ATCs, and that the processes use the current values for the variables as determined in the requirements or definitions. Note that any variable may legitimately be zero if the value is not applicable or calculated to be zero (such as counterflows, TRM, CBM, etc...). The supporting documentation may be provided in the same form and format as stored by the Transmission Service Provider. (R11)

D. Compliance

1. Compliance Monitoring Process

1.1. Compliance Enforcement Authority

For entities that do not work for the Regional Entity, the Regional Entity shall serve as the Compliance Enforcement Authority.

For functional entities that work for their Regional Entity, the ERO or a Regional Entity approved by the ERO and FERC or other applicable governmental authorities shall serve as the Compliance Enforcement Authority.~~Regional Entity.~~

~~1.2. Compliance Monitoring Period and Reset~~

~~Not applicable.~~

1.3.1.2. Data Retention

The following evidence retention periods identify the period of time an entity is required to retain specific evidence to demonstrate compliance. For instances where the evidence retention period specified below is shorter than the time since the last audit, the Compliance Enforcement Authority may ask an entity to provide other evidence to show that it was compliant for the full time period since the last audit.

The Transmission Operator and Transmission Service Provider shall keep data or evidence to show compliance as identified below unless directed by its Compliance Enforcement Authority to retain specific evidence for a longer period of time as part of an investigation:

- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain its current, in force ATCID and any prior versions of the ATCID that were in force since the last compliance audit to show compliance with R1.
- The Transmission Operator shall have its latest model used to calculate TTC and evidence of the previous version to show compliance with R2.
- The Transmission Operator shall retain evidence to show compliance with R3 for the most recent 12 months or until the model used to calculate TTC is updated, whichever is longer.
- The Transmission Operator shall retain evidence to show compliance with R4, R5, R6 and R7 for the most recent 12 months.
- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain evidence to show compliance in calculating hourly values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 14 days; evidence to show compliance in calculating daily values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 30 days; and evidence to show compliance in calculating monthly values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 60 days.

- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain evidence to show compliance with R10 and R11 for the most recent 12 months.
- If a Transmission Service Provider or Transmission Operator is found non-compliant, it shall keep information related to the non-compliance until found compliant.
- The Compliance Enforcement Authority shall keep the last audit records and all requested and submitted subsequent audit records.

1.4.1.3. Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Processes:

The following processes may be used:

- Compliance Audits
- Self-Certifications
- Spot Checking
- Compliance Violation Investigations
- Self-Reporting
- Complaints

1.5.1.4. Additional Compliance Information

None.

2. Violation Severity Levels

R #	Lower VSL	Moderate VSL	High VSL	Severe VSL
R1.	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing two of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing three of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing more than three of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements)
R2.	<p>The Transmission Operator used one to ten Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model.</p>	<p>The Transmission Operator used eleven to twenty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model.</p>	<p>One or both of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator used twenty-one to thirty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model. • The Transmission Operator did not use a Transmission model that includes modeling data and topology (or equivalent representation) for one adjacent Reliability Coordinator Area. 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator used more than thirty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model. • The Transmission Operator's model includes equivalent representation of non-radial facilities greater than 161 kV for its own Reliability Coordinator Area. • The Transmission Operator did not use a Transmission model that includes modeling data and topology (or equivalent representation) for two or more adjacent Reliability Coordinator

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				Areas.
R3.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process one to ten expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process eleven to twenty-five expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process twenty-six to fifty expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	One or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process more than fifty expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID. • The Transmission Operator did not include the Load forecast or unit commitment in its TTC calculation as described in R3.
R4.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R4.3 for more than zero reservations, but not more than 5% of all reservations; or 1 reservation, whichever is greater.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R5.3 for more than 5%, but not more than 10% of all reservations; or 2 reservations, whichever is greater.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R5.3 for more than 10%, but not more than 15% of all reservations; or 3 reservations, whichever is greater.	One or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC calculation the contingencies that met the criteria described in the ATCID. • The Transmission Operator did not respect contractual allocations of TTC. • The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R4.3 for more than 15% of all reservations; or more than 3 reservations, whichever is greater. • The Transmission Operator did not use firm reservations to estimate interchange or did not

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				utilize that estimate in the TTC calculation as described in R4.3.
R5.	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in hourly or daily ATCs within 7 calendar days but did establish the values within 10 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a calendar month but did establish the values within the next consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in hourly or daily ATCs in 10 calendar days but did establish the values within 13 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a two consecutive calendar month period but did establish the values within the third consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for used in hourly or daily ATCs in 13 calendar days but did establish the values within 16 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a three consecutive calendar month period but did establish the values within the fourth consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for used in hourly or daily ATCs in 16 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a four or more consecutive calendar month period The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs within 24 hrs of the triggers defined in R5.3
R6.	N/A	N/A	N/A	The Transmission Operator did not calculate TTCs per the process specified in R6.
R7.	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than one calendar day after their determination, but not been more than two calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than two calendar days after their determination, but not been more than three calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than three calendar days after their determination, but not been more than four calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than four calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator did not provide its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or

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	has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than seven calendar days after their determination, but not more than 14 calendar days since their determination.	has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 14 calendar days after their determination, but not been more than 21 calendar days after their determination.	has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 21 calendar days after their determination, but not been more than 28 calendar days after their determination.	<p>daily ATC calculations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 28 calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator did not provide its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.
R8.	For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 15% of the value calculated in the measure or 15MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater.	For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater.	For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.	For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.
R9.	For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 15% of the value calculated in the measure or 15MW, whichever is greater, but not	For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater, but not	For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater, but not	For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.

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	more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater.	more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater...	more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.	
R10.	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than zero ATC Paths, but not more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater), but not more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater), but not more than 15% of all ATC Paths or 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 15% of all ATC Paths or more than 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).
R11.	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than zero ATC Paths, but not more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater), but not more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater), but not more than 15% of all ATC Paths or 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 15% of all ATC Paths or more than 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).

A. Introduction

1. **Title: Area Interchange Methodology**
2. **Number: MOD-028-2**
3. **Purpose:** To increase consistency and reliability in the development and documentation of Transfer Capability calculations for short-term use performed by entities using the Area Interchange Methodology to support analysis and system operations.
4. **Applicability:**
 - 4.1. Each Transmission Operator that uses the Area Interchange Methodology to calculate Total Transfer Capabilities (TTCs) for ATC Paths.
 - 4.2. Each Transmission Service Provider that uses the Area Interchange Methodology to calculate Available Transfer Capabilities (ATCs) for ATC Paths.
5. **Proposed Effective Date:** In those jurisdictions where regulatory approval is required, this standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter after applicable regulatory approval. In those jurisdictions where no regulatory approval is required, this standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter after Board of Trustees approval.

B. Requirements

- R1. Each Transmission Service Provider shall include in its Available Transfer Capability Implementation Document (ATCID), at a minimum, the following information relative to its methodology for determining Total Transfer Capability (TTC): [*Violation Risk Factor: PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]
 - R1.1. Information describing how the selected methodology has been implemented, in such detail that, given the same information used by the Transmission Operator, the results of the TTC calculations can be validated.
 - R1.2. A description of the manner in which the Transmission Operator will account for Interchange Schedules in the calculation of TTC.
 - R1.3. Any contractual obligations for allocation of TTC.
 - R1.4. A description of the manner in which Contingencies are identified for use in the TTC process.
 - R1.5. The following information on how source and sink for transmission service is accounted for in ATC calculations including:
 - R1.5.1. Define if the source used for Available Transfer Capability (ATC) calculations is obtained from the source field or the Point of Receipt (POR) field of the transmission reservation
 - R1.5.2. Define if the sink used for ATC calculations is obtained from the sink field or the Point of Delivery (POD) field of the transmission reservation

- R4.3.** Include, for each time period, the Firm Transmission Service expected to be scheduled as specified in the ATCID (filtered to reduce or eliminate duplicate impacts from transactions using Transmission service from multiple Transmission Service Providers) for the Transmission Service Provider, all adjacent Transmission Service Providers, and any Transmission Service Providers with which coordination agreements have been executed modeling the source and sink as follows:
- If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and it is discretely modeled in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the discretely modeled point as the source.
 - If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can be mapped to an "equivalence" or "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the modeled equivalence or aggregate as the source.
 - If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point cannot be mapped to a discretely modeled point, an "equivalence," or an "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider from which the power is to be received as the source.
 - If the source, as specified in the ATCID, has not been identified in the reservation, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider from which the power is to be received as the source.
 - If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and it is discretely modeled in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the discretely modeled point shall as the sink.
 - If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can be mapped to an "equivalence" or "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the modeled equivalence or aggregate as the sink.
 - If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has been identified in the reservation and the point can not be mapped to a discretely modeled point, an "equivalence," or an "aggregate representation" in the Transmission Service Provider's Transmission model, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider to which the power is to be delivered as the sink.
 - If the sink, as specified in the ATCID, has not been identified in the reservation, use the immediately adjacent Balancing Authority associated with the Transmission Service Provider to which the power is being delivered as the sink.

- R5.** Each Transmission Operator shall establish TTC for each ATC Path as defined below:
[Violation Risk Factor: PENDING] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]
- R5.1.** At least once within the seven calendar days prior to the specified period for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations.
- R5.2.** At least once per calendar month for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.
- R5.3.** Within 24 hours of the unexpected outage of a 500 kV or higher transmission Facility or a transformer with a low-side voltage of 200 kV or higher for TTCs in effect during the anticipated duration of the outage, provided such outage is expected to last 24 hours or longer.
- R6.** Each Transmission Operator shall establish TTC for each ATC Path using the following process: *[Violation Risk Factor: PENDING] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]*
- R6.1.** Determine the incremental Transfer Capability for each ATC Path by increasing generation and/or decreasing load within the source Balancing Authority area and decreasing generation and/or increasing load within the sink Balancing Authority area until either:
- A System Operating Limit is reached on the Transmission Service Provider’s system, or
 - A SOL is reached on any other adjacent system in the Transmission model that is not on the study path and the distribution factor is 5% or greater¹.
- R6.2.** If the limit in step R6.1 can not be reached by adjusting any combination of load or generation, then set the incremental Transfer Capability by the results of the case where the maximum adjustments were applied.
- R6.3.** Use (as the TTC) the lesser of:
- The sum of the incremental Transfer Capability and the impacts of Firm Transmission Services, as specified in the Transmission Service Provider’s ATCID, that were included in the study model, or
 - The sum of Facility Ratings of all ties comprising the ATC Path.
- R6.4.** For ATC Paths whose capacity uses jointly-owned or allocated Facilities, limit TTC for each Transmission Service Provider so the TTC does not exceed each Transmission Service Provider’s contractual rights.
- R7.** The Transmission Operator shall provide the Transmission Service Provider of that ATC Path with the most current value for TTC for that ATC Path no more than:
[Violation Risk Factor: PENDING] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning]
- R7.1.** One calendar day after its determination for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations.
- R7.2.** Seven calendar days after its determination for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.

¹ The Transmission operator may honor distribution factors less than 5% if desired.

- R8.** When calculating Existing Transmission Commitments (ETCs) for firm commitments (ETC_F) for all time periods for an ATC Path the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm: [*Violation Risk Factor: PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]

$$ETC_F = NITS_F + GF_F + PTP_F + ROR_F + OS_F$$

Where:

$NITS_F$ is the firm capacity set aside for Network Integration Transmission Service (including the capacity used to serve bundled load within the Transmission Service Provider’s area with external sources) on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

GF_F is the firm capacity set aside for Grandfathered Firm Transmission Service and contracts for energy and/or Transmission Service, where executed prior to the effective date of a Transmission Service Provider’s Open Access Transmission Tariff or safe harbor tariff on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

PTP_F is the firm capacity reserved for confirmed Point-to-Point Transmission Service.

ROR_F is the capacity reserved for roll-over rights for Firm Transmission Service contracts granting Transmission Customers the right of first refusal to take or continue to take Transmission Service when the Transmission Customer’s Transmission Service contract expires or is eligible for renewal.

OS_F is the firm capacity reserved for any other service(s), contract(s), or agreement(s) not specified above using Firm Transmission Service, including any other firm adjustments to reflect impacts from other ATC Paths of the Transmission Service Provider as specified in the ATCID.

- R9.** When calculating ETC for non-firm commitments (ETC_{NF}) for all time periods for an ATC Path the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm: [*Violation Risk Factor: PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]

$$ETC_{NF} = NITS_{NF} + GF_{NF} + PTP_{NF} + OS_{NF}$$

Where:

$NITS_{NF}$ is the non-firm capacity set aside for Network Integration Transmission Service (i.e., secondary service , including the capacity used to serve bundled load within the Transmission Service Provider’s area with external sources) reserved on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

GF_{NF} is the non-firm capacity reserved for Grandfathered Non-Firm Transmission Service and contracts for energy and/or Transmission Service, where executed prior to the effective date of a Transmission Service Provider’s Open Access Transmission Tariff or safe harbor tariff on ATC Paths that serve as interfaces with other Balancing Authorities.

PTP_{NF} is non-firm capacity reserved for confirmed Point-to-Point Transmission Service.

OS_{NF} is the non-firm capacity reserved for any other service(s), contract(s), or agreement(s) not specified above using Non-Firm Transmission Service, including any other firm adjustments to reflect impacts from other ATC Paths of the Transmission Service Provider as specified in the ATCID.

- R10.** When calculating firm ATC for an ATC Path for a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider shall utilize the following algorithm: [*Violation Risk Factor: PENDING*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]

$$ATC_F = TTC - ETC_F - CBM - TRM + Postbacks_F + counterflows_F$$

Where:

ATC_F is the firm Available Transfer Capability for the ATC Path for that period.

TTC is the Total Transfer Capability of the ATC Path for that period.

ETC_F is the sum of existing firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

CBM is the Capacity Benefit Margin for the ATC Path during that period.

TRM is the Transmission Reliability Margin for the ATC Path during that period.

Postbacks_F are changes to firm ATC due to a change in the use of Transmission Service for that period, as defined in Business Practices.

counterflows_F are adjustments to firm ATC as determined by the Transmission Service Provider and specified in the ATCID.

- R11.** When calculating non-firm ATC for a ATC Path for a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider shall use the following algorithm: [*Violation Risk Factor: Lower*] [*Time Horizon: Operations Planning*]

$$ATC_{NF} = TTC - ETC_F - ETC_{NF} - CBM_S - TRM_U + Postbacks_{NF} + counterflows_{NF}$$

Where:

ATC_{NF} is the non-firm Available Transfer Capability for the ATC Path for that period.

TTC is the Total Transfer Capability of the ATC Path for that period.

ETC_F is the sum of existing firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

ETC_{NF} is the sum of existing non-firm Transmission commitments for the ATC Path during that period.

CBM_S is the Capacity Benefit Margin for the ATC Path that has been scheduled without a separate reservation during that period.

TRM_U is the Transmission Reliability Margin for the ATC Path that has not been released for sale (unreleased) as non-firm capacity by the Transmission Service Provider during that period.

Postbacks_{NF} are changes to non-firm ATC due to a change in the use of Transmission Service for that period, as defined in Business Practices.

counterflows_{NF} are adjustments to non-firm ATC as determined by the Transmission Service Provider and specified in the ATCID.

C. Measures

- M1.** Each Transmission Service Provider shall provide its current ATCID that has the information described in R1 to show compliance with R1. (R1)
- M2.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence including the model used to calculate TTC as well as other evidence (such as Facility Ratings provided by facility owners, written documentation, logs, and data) to show that the modeling requirements in R2 were met. (R2)
- M3.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence, including scheduled outages, facility additions and retirements, (such as written documentation, logs, and data) that the data described in R3 and R4 were included in the determination of TTC as specified in the ATCID. (R3)
- M4.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide the contingencies used in determining TTC and the ATCID as evidence to show that the contingencies described in the ATCID were included in the determination of TTC. (R4)
- M5.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide copies of contracts that contain requirements to allocate TTCs and TTC values to show that any contractual allocations of TTC were respected as required in R4.2. (R4)
- M6.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as copies of coordination agreements, reservations, interchange transactions, or other documentation) to show that firm reservations were used to estimate scheduled interchange, the modeling of scheduled interchange was based on the rules described in R4.3, and that estimated scheduled interchange was included in the determination of TTC. (R4)
- M7.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as logs and data and dated copies of requests from the Transmission Service Provider to establish TTCs at specific intervals) that TTCs have been established at least once in the calendar week prior to the specified period for TTCs used in hourly and daily ATC calculations, at least once per calendar month for TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations, and within 24 hours of the unexpected outage of a 500 kV or higher transmission Facility or a autotransformer with a low-side voltage of 200 kV or higher for TTCs in effect during the anticipated duration of the outage; provided such outage is expected to last 24 hours or longer in duration per the specifications in R5.(R5)
- M8.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide evidence (such as written documentation) that TTCs have been calculated using the process described in R6. (R6)
- M9.** Each Transmission Operator shall have evidence including a copy of the latest calculated TTC values along with a dated copy of email notices or other equivalent evidence to show that it provided its Transmission Service Provider with the most current values for TTC in accordance with R7. (R7)

- M10.** The Transmission Service Provider shall demonstrate compliance with R8 by recalculating firm ETC for any specific time period as described in (MOD-001 R2), using the algorithm defined in R8 and with data used to calculate the specified value for the designated time period. The data used must meet the requirements specified in MOD-028-1 and the ATCID. To account for differences that may occur when recalculating the value (due to mixing automated and manual processes), any recalculated value that is within +/- 15% or 15 MW, whichever is greater, of the originally calculated value, is evidence that the Transmission Service Provider used the algorithm in R8 to calculate its firm ETC. (R8)
- M11.** The Transmission Service Provider shall demonstrate compliance with R9 by recalculating non-firm ETC for any specific time period as described in (MOD-001 R2), using the algorithm defined in R9 and with data used to calculate the specified value for the designated time period. The data used must meet the requirements specified in MOD-028-1 and the ATCID. To account for differences that may occur when recalculating the value (due to mixing automated and manual processes), any recalculated value that is within +/- 15% or 15 MW, whichever is greater, of the originally calculated value, is evidence that the Transmission Service Provider used the algorithm in R8 to calculate its non-firm ETC. (R9)
- M12.** Each Transmission Service Provider shall produce the supporting documentation for the processes used to implement the algorithm that calculates firm ATCs, as required in R10. Such documentation must show that only the variables allowed in R10 were used to calculate firm ATCs, and that the processes use the current values for the variables as determined in the requirements or definitions. Note that any variable may legitimately be zero if the value is not applicable or calculated to be zero (such as counterflows, TRM, CBM, etc...). The supporting documentation may be provided in the same form and format as stored by the Transmission Service Provider. (R10)
- M13.** Each Transmission Service Provider shall produce the supporting documentation for the processes used to implement the algorithm that calculates non-firm ATCs, as required in R11. Such documentation must show that only the variables allowed in R11 were used to calculate non-firm ATCs, and that the processes use the current values for the variables as determined in the requirements or definitions. Note that any variable may legitimately be zero if the value is not applicable or calculated to be zero (such as counterflows, TRM, CBM, etc...). The supporting documentation may be provided in the same form and format as stored by the Transmission Service Provider. (R11)

D. Compliance

1. Compliance Monitoring Process

1.1. Compliance Enforcement Authority

For entities that do not work for the Regional Entity, the Regional Entity shall serve as the Compliance Enforcement Authority.

For functional entities that work for their Regional Entity, the ERO or a Regional Entity approved by the ERO and FERC or other applicable governmental authorities shall serve as the Compliance Enforcement Authority.

1.2. Data Retention

The following evidence retention periods identify the period of time an entity is required to retain specific evidence to demonstrate compliance. For instances where the evidence retention period specified below is shorter than the time since the last audit, the Compliance Enforcement Authority may ask an entity to provide other evidence to show that it was compliant for the full time period since the last audit.

The Transmission Operator and Transmission Service Provider shall keep data or evidence to show compliance as identified below unless directed by its Compliance Enforcement Authority to retain specific evidence for a longer period of time as part of an investigation:

- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain its current, in force ATCID and any prior versions of the ATCID that were in force since the last compliance audit to show compliance with R1.
- The Transmission Operator shall have its latest model used to calculate TTC and evidence of the previous version to show compliance with R2.
- The Transmission Operator shall retain evidence to show compliance with R3 for the most recent 12 months or until the model used to calculate TTC is updated, whichever is longer.
- The Transmission Operator shall retain evidence to show compliance with R4, R5, R6 and R7 for the most recent 12 months.
- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain evidence to show compliance in calculating hourly values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 14 days; evidence to show compliance in calculating daily values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 30 days; and evidence to show compliance in calculating monthly values required in R8 and R9 for the most recent 60 days.
- The Transmission Service Provider shall retain evidence to show compliance with R10 and R11 for the most recent 12 months.
- If a Transmission Service Provider or Transmission Operator is found non-compliant, it shall keep information related to the non-compliance until found compliant.
- The Compliance Enforcement Authority shall keep the last audit records and all requested and submitted subsequent audit records.

1.3. Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Processes:

The following processes may be used:

- Compliance Audits
- Self-Certifications
- Spot Checking
- Compliance Violation Investigations
- Self-Reporting
- Complaints

1.4. Additional Compliance Information

None.

2. Violation Severity Levels

R #	Lower VSL	Moderate VSL	High VSL	Severe VSL
R1.	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing one of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing two of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing three of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements) 	<p>The Transmission Service Provider has an ATCID but it is missing more than three of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ R1.1 ▪ R1.2 ▪ R1.3 ▪ R1.4 ▪ R1.5 (any one or more of its sub-subrequirements)
R2.	<p>The Transmission Operator used one to ten Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model.</p>	<p>The Transmission Operator used eleven to twenty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model.</p>	<p>One or both of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator used twenty-one to thirty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model. • The Transmission Operator did not use a Transmission model that includes modeling data and topology (or equivalent representation) for one adjacent Reliability Coordinator Area. 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator used more than thirty Facility Ratings that were different from those specified by a Transmission or Generator Owner in their Transmission model. • The Transmission Operator's model includes equivalent representation of non-radial facilities greater than 161 kV for its own Reliability Coordinator Area. • The Transmission Operator did not use a Transmission model that includes modeling data and topology (or equivalent representation) for two or more adjacent Reliability Coordinator

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				Areas.
R3.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process one to ten expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process eleven to twenty-five expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process twenty-six to fifty expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID.	One or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC process more than fifty expected generation and Transmission outages, additions or retirements as specified in the ATCID. • The Transmission Operator did not include the Load forecast or unit commitment in its TTC calculation as described in R3.
R4.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R4.3 for more than zero reservations, but not more than 5% of all reservations; or 1 reservation, whichever is greater.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R4.3 for more than 5%, but not more than 10% of all reservations; or 2 reservations, whichever is greater.	The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R4.3 for more than 10%, but not more than 15% of all reservations; or 3 reservations, whichever is greater.	One or more of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Transmission Operator did not include in the TTC calculation the contingencies that met the criteria described in the ATCID. • The Transmission Operator did not respect contractual allocations of TTC. • The Transmission Operator did not model reservations' sources or sinks as described in R4.3 for more than 15% of all reservations; or more than 3 reservations, whichever is greater. • The Transmission Operator did not use firm reservations to estimate interchange or did not

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				utilize that estimate in the TTC calculation as described in R4.3.
R5.	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in hourly or daily ATCs within 7 calendar days but did establish the values within 10 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a calendar month but did establish the values within the next consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in hourly or daily ATCs in 10 calendar days but did establish the values within 13 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a two consecutive calendar month period but did establish the values within the third consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for used in hourly or daily ATCs in 13 calendar days but did establish the values within 16 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a three consecutive calendar month period but did establish the values within the fourth consecutive calendar month 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for used in hourly or daily ATCs in 16 calendar days The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs for use in monthly ATCs during a four or more consecutive calendar month period The Transmission Operator did not establish TTCs within 24 hrs of the triggers defined in R5.3
R6.	N/A	N/A	N/A	The Transmission Operator did not calculate TTCs per the process specified in R6.
R7.	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than one calendar day after their determination, but not been more than two calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than two calendar days after their determination, but not been more than three calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than three calendar days after their determination, but not been more than four calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator 	<p>One or more of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or daily ATC calculations more than four calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator did not provide its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in hourly or

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	<p>has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than seven calendar days after their determination, but not more than 14 calendar days since their determination.</p>	<p>has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 14 calendar days after their determination, but not been more than 21 calendar days after their determination.</p>	<p>has not provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 21 calendar days after their determination, but not been more than 28 calendar days after their determination.</p>	<p>daily ATC calculations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Transmission Operator provided its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations more than 28 calendar days after their determination. The Transmission Operator did not provide its Transmission Service Provider with its ATC Path TTCs used in monthly ATC calculations.
R8.	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 15% of the value calculated in the measure or 15MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater.</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater.</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater, but not more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M10 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.</p>
R9.	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 15% of the value calculated in the measure or 15MW, whichever is greater, but not</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater, but not</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater, but not</p>	<p>For a specified period, the Transmission Service Provider calculated a non-firm ETC with an absolute value different than that calculated in M11 for the same period, and the absolute value difference was more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.</p>

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	more than 25% of the value calculated in the measure or 25MW, whichever is greater.	more than 35% of the value calculated in the measure or 35MW, whichever is greater...	more than 45% of the value calculated in the measure or 45MW, whichever is greater.	
R10.	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than zero ATC Paths, but not more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater), but not more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater), but not more than 15% of all ATC Paths or 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R10 when determining firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 15% of all ATC Paths or more than 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).
R11.	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than zero ATC Paths, but not more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 5% of all ATC Paths or 1 ATC Path (whichever is greater), but not more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 10% of all ATC Paths or 2 ATC Paths (whichever is greater), but not more than 15% of all ATC Paths or 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).	The Transmission Service Provider did not use all the elements defined in R11 when determining non-firm ATC, or used additional elements, for more than 15% of all ATC Paths or more than 3 ATC Paths (whichever is greater).

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Approvals Requested

MOD-028-2 – Area Interchange Methodology

Prerequisite Approvals

None

Effective Date

New or Revised Standards

MOD-028-2—In those jurisdictions where regulatory approval is required, this standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter after applicable regulatory approval. In those jurisdictions where no regulatory approval is required, this standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter after Board of Trustees approval.

Standards for Retirement

MOD-028-1—Midnight of the day immediately prior to the Effective Date of MOD-028-2 in the particular Jurisdiction in which the new standard is becoming effective.

Note: A valid interpretation request is one that requests additional clarity about one or more requirements in approved NERC reliability standards, but does not request approval as to how to comply with one or more requirements.

When completed, email this form to:
laura.hussey@nerc.net
 For questions about this form or for assistance in completing the form, call Laura Hussey at 404-446-2579.

Request for an Interpretation of a Reliability Standard	
Date submitted: 5/13/2011	
Contact information for person requesting the interpretation:	
Name:	Don McInnis
Organization:	Florida Power & Light
Telephone:	305-442-5272
E-mail:	don.mcinnis@fpl.com
Identify the standard that needs clarification:	
Standard Number (include version number, e.g. PRC-001-1): MOD-028-1	
Standard Title: Area Interchange Methodology	
Identify specifically what requirement needs clarification:	
Requirement Number and Text of Requirement: R3.1 For on-peak and off-peak intra-day and next-day TTCs, use the following (as well as any other values and additional parameters as specified in the ATCID):	
Identify the nature of clarification that is requested: (Check as many as applicable)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clarify the required performance <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Clarify the conditions under which the performance is required <input type="checkbox"/> Clarify which functional entity is responsible for performing an action in a requirement <input type="checkbox"/> Clarify the reliability outcome the requirement is intended to produce	
Please explain the clarification needed:	
<i>By using the words "on-peak", "off-peak", and "intra-day" this requirement implies there would have to be separate TTC numbers for different portions of the current day. However, R5 of MOD28 establishes the calculation frequencies and only requires an update to TTC once within the 7 days prior to the specified period where they are used in an ATC calculation. The</i>	

clarification needed is on the ATC Drafting Team's intent with respect to the quantity and timing of individual TTC calculations needed for use in the ATC calculations.

Identify the material impact associated with this interpretation:

Identify the material impact to your organization or others, if known, caused by the lack of clarity or an incorrect interpretation of this standard.

Adherence to the implied intra day calculation requirement of R3.1 is resulting in additional work and creating coordination issues with other parties which are not calculating intra day TTC values.

*E-mail completed form to
sarcomm@nerc.com*

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Request Date	August 30, 2011
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SAR Requester Information	SAR Type (Check a box for each one that applies.)	
Individual, Group, or Committee Name Andrew Rodriguez	<input type="checkbox"/>	New Standard
Primary Contact (if Group or Committee) Andrew Rodriguez	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Revision to existing Standard
Company or Group Name NERC	<input type="checkbox"/>	Withdrawal of existing Standard
E-mail andy.rodriquez@nerc.net	<input type="checkbox"/>	Project Identified in Reliability Standards Development Plan (Project Number and Name:)
Telephone 404-446-2560	<input type="checkbox"/>	Modification to NERC Glossary term or addition of new term

<p>Brief Description of Proposed Standard Modifications/Actions (In three sentences or less, summarize the proposed actions a drafting team will be responsible for implementing.) This SAR proposes to modify MOD-028-1 R3.1 to address an ambiguity in the standard.</p>
<p>Need (Explain why the Standard is being developed or modified. Clearly indicate why the actions being proposed are needed for maintaining or improving bulk power system reliability, including an assessment of the reliability and market interface impacts. This is similar to the Purpose statement in a Reliability Standard.) N/A</p>
<p>Goals (Describe what must be accomplished in order to meet the above need. This section would become the Requirements in a Reliability Standard.) N/A</p>
<p>Objectives and/or Potential Future Metrics (Describe what the potential measure or criteria for success may be for determining the successful implementation of this request. Provide ideas for potential metrics to be developed and monitored in the future relative to this request, if any.) N/A</p>
<p>Detailed Description (In three paragraphs or more, provide a detailed description of the</p>

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proposed actions a drafting team will be responsible for executing so that the team can efficiently implement this request. While you will check applicability boxes on the following page, this description must include proportional identification of to whom the standard should apply among industry participants.)

Sub-requirement R3.1 of MOD-028-1 states the following:

R3.1 For on-peak and off-peak intra-day and next-day TTCs, use the following (as well as any other values and additional parameters as specified in the ATCID):

NERC received a request to interpret this sub-requirement. The requester stated:

By using the words “on-peak”, “off-peak”, and “intra-day” this requirement implies there would have to be separate TTC numbers for different portions of the current day. However, R5 of MOD28 establishes the calculation frequencies and only requires an update to TTC once within the 7 days prior to the specified period where they are used in an ATC calculation. The clarification needed is on the ATC Drafting Team’s intent with respect to the quantity and timing of individual TTC calculations needed for use in the ATC calculations. Adherence to the implied intra day calculation requirement of R3.1 is resulting in additional work and creating coordination issues with other parties which are not calculating intra day TTC values.

While the Interpretation team was preparing its Interpretation, the Standards Committee requested the Interpretation Team use a “rapid modification” approach to clarify the requirement in question directly. The Interpretation Team is proposing the attached modification to the standard in lieu of an Interpretation.

Because FERC has not yet rules on the VRFs for this standard, they have been marked as PENDING in order to not distract from the discussion of the modification.

OPTIONAL: Technical Analysis Performed to Support Justification (Provide the results of any technical study or analysis performed to justify this request. Alternatively, if deemed necessary, propose a technical study or analysis that should be performed prior to a related standard development project being initiated in response to this request.)

N/A

Reliability Functions

The Standard(s) May Apply to the Following Functions (Check box for each one that applies.)		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Regional Entity	Conducts the regional activities related to planning and operations, and coordinates activities of Responsible Entities to secure the reliability of the Bulk Electric System within the region and adjacent regions.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Reliability Coordinator	Responsible for the real-time operating reliability of its Reliability Coordinator Area in coordination with its neighboring Reliability Coordinator’s wide area view.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Balancing	Integrates resource plans ahead of time, and maintains load-

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	Authority	interchange-resource balance within a Balancing Authority Area and supports Interconnection frequency in real time.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Interchange Authority	Ensures communication of interchange transactions for reliability evaluation purposes and coordinates implementation of valid and balanced interchange schedules between Balancing Authority Areas.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Planning Coordinator	Assesses the longer-term reliability of its Planning Coordinator Area.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Resource Planner	Develops a >one year plan for the resource adequacy of its specific loads within a Planning Coordinator area.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Transmission Planner	Develops a >one year plan for the reliability of the interconnected Bulk Electric System within its portion of the Planning Coordinator area.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Transmission Service Provider	Administers the transmission tariff and provides transmission services under applicable transmission service agreements (e.g., the pro forma tariff).
<input type="checkbox"/>	Transmission Owner	Owens and maintains transmission facilities.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Transmission Operator	Ensures the real-time operating reliability of the transmission assets within a Transmission Operator Area.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Distribution Provider	Delivers electrical energy to the End-use customer.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Generator Owner	Owens and maintains generation facilities.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Generator Operator	Operates generation unit(s) to provide real and reactive power.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Purchasing-Selling Entity	Purchases or sells energy, capacity, and necessary reliability-related services as required.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Market Operator	Interface point for reliability functions with commercial functions.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Load-Serving Entity	Secures energy and transmission service (and reliability-related services) to serve the End-use Customer.

Reliability and Market Interface Principles

Applicable Reliability Principles <i>(Check box for all that apply.)</i>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	1. Interconnected bulk power systems shall be planned and operated in a coordinated manner to perform reliably under normal and abnormal conditions as defined in the NERC Standards.
<input type="checkbox"/>	2. The frequency and voltage of interconnected bulk power systems shall be controlled within defined limits through the balancing of real and reactive power supply and demand.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3. Information necessary for the planning and operation of interconnected bulk power systems shall be made available to those entities responsible for planning and operating the systems reliably.
<input type="checkbox"/>	4. Plans for emergency operation and system restoration of interconnected bulk power systems shall be developed, coordinated, maintained and implemented.
<input type="checkbox"/>	5. Facilities for communication, monitoring and control shall be provided, used and maintained for the reliability of interconnected bulk power systems.
<input type="checkbox"/>	6. Personnel responsible for planning and operating interconnected bulk power systems shall be trained, qualified, and have the responsibility and authority to implement actions.
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	7. The security of the interconnected bulk power systems shall be assessed, monitored and maintained on a wide area basis.
<input type="checkbox"/>	8. Bulk power systems shall be protected from malicious physical or cyber attacks.
Does the proposed Standard(s) comply with all of the following Market Interface Principles? <i>(Select 'yes' or 'no' from the drop-down box.)</i>	
1. A reliability standard shall not give any market participant an unfair competitive advantage. Yes	
2. A reliability standard shall neither mandate nor prohibit any specific market structure. Yes	
3. A reliability standard shall not preclude market solutions to achieving compliance with that standard. Yes	
4. A reliability standard shall not require the public disclosure of commercially sensitive information. All market participants shall have equal opportunity to access commercially non-sensitive information that is required for compliance with reliability standards. Yes	

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Related Standards

Standard No.	Explanation

Related Projects

Project ID and Title	Explanation

Regional Variances

Region	Explanation
ERCOT	
FRCC	
MRO	
NPCC	
SERC	
RFC	
SPP	
WECC	

Standards Announcement

Project 2011-INT-01 Revision to MOD-028-1 to Respond to FPL Request for Interpretation

Recirculation Ballot Window Open: December 12 - 22, 2011

[Now Available](#)

A recirculation ballot window is now open for revisions to MOD-028-1 – Area Interchange Methodology through 8 p.m. Eastern on Thursday, December 22, 2011.

In May 2011, FPL requested an interpretation of MOD-028-1, Requirement R3.1. The request asked for clarification of the timing and frequency of TTC calculations needed for ATC calculations. At its July 2011 meeting the Standards Committee approved (with FPL's consent) addressing FPL's request for interpretation through a rapid revision to the MOD-028-1 standard. The interpretation drafting team was appointed as the standard drafting team and directed to submit both a SAR and proposed revisions to MOD-028-1, addressing the issues raised in the request for interpretation. Because the revisions are narrowly focused on addressing the clarification requested by FPL, the Standards Committee approved waiving the initial 30-day formal comment period and directed that the SAR and proposed revisions to the standard be posted for a 45-day parallel comment period and ballot, which ended on November 16, 2011.

Since the initial ballot, the drafting team has considered all comments and made no substantive changes. Only minor changes were made to correct capitalization. No changes were made to the implementation plan.

Documents associated with this project, including clean and redline copies of the standard, the implementation plan (clean only since there were no changes) and the drafting team's consideration of comments submitted during the parallel formal comment period and successive ballot that ended on November 21, 2011, have been posted on the [project page](#).

Instructions for Balloting in the Recirculation Ballot

In a recirculation ballot, votes are counted by exception. Only members of the ballot pool may cast a ballot; all ballot pool members may change their prior votes. A ballot pool member who failed to cast a ballot during the last ballot window may cast a ballot in the recirculation ballot window. If a ballot pool member does not participate in the recirculation ballot, that member's last vote cast in the initial ballot that ended on November 16, 2011 will be carried over.

Members of the ballot pool associated with this project may log in and submit their votes in the recirculation ballots by clicking here: [vote](#).

Next Steps

If the standard and associated implementation plan achieve ballot pool approval, they will be presented to the Board of Trustees for adoption and subsequently filed with regulators for approval.

Standards Development Process

The [Standard Processes Manual](#) contains all the procedures governing the standards development process. The success of the NERC standards development process depends on stakeholder participation. We extend our thanks to all those who participate. For more information or assistance, please contact Monica Benson at monica.benson@nerc.net.

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Project INT-2011-01 Interpretation of MOD-028-1 for FPL

Recirculation Ballot Results

[Now Available](#)

A recirculation ballot of MOD-028-2 Area Interchange Methodology and its implementation plan concluded on December 22, 2011. The standard was approved by the ballot pool. Voting statistics are listed below, and the [Ballot Results](#) webpage provides a link to the detailed initial ballot results.

Initial Ballot Results

Quorum: 90.10%

Approval: 92.49%

Next Steps

The standard and associated implementation plan will be presented to the NERC Board of Trustees for action, and if adopted, filed with regulatory authorities.

Background

In May 2011, FPL requested an interpretation of MOD-028-1, Requirement R3.1. The request asked for clarification of the timing and frequency of TTC calculations needed for ATC calculations. At its July 2011 meeting the Standards Committee approved (with FPL's consent) addressing FPL's request for interpretation through a rapid revision to the MOD-028-1 standard. The interpretation drafting team was appointed as the standard drafting team and directed to submit both a SAR and proposed revisions to MOD-028-1, addressing the issues raised in the request for interpretation. Because the revisions are narrowly focused on addressing the clarification requested by FPL, the Standards Committee approved waiving the initial 30-day formal comment period and directed that the SAR and proposed revisions to the standard be posted for a 45-day parallel comment period and ballot, which ended on November 16, 2011.

Standards Development Process

The [Standard Processes Manual](#) contains all the procedures governing the standards development process. The success of the NERC standards development process depends on stakeholder participation. We extend our thanks to all those who participate. For more information or assistance, please contact Monica Benson at monica.benson@nerc.net.

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Ballot Results	
Ballot Name:	Project_2011_INT-01_MOD-028-1_FPL_initial_rc
Ballot Period:	12/12/2011 - 12/22/2011
Ballot Type:	recirculation
Total # Votes:	264
Total Ballot Pool:	293
Quorum:	90.10 % The Quorum has been reached
Weighted Segment Vote:	92.49 %
Ballot Results:	The Standard has Passed

Summary of Ballot Results									
Segment	Ballot Pool	Segment Weight	Affirmative		Negative		Abstain # Votes	No Vote	
			# Votes	Fraction	# Votes	Fraction			
1 - Segment 1.	79	1	35	0.875	5	0.125	31	8	
2 - Segment 2.	8	0	0	0	0	0	5	3	
3 - Segment 3.	66	1	31	0.969	1	0.031	26	8	
4 - Segment 4.	22	1	12	0.923	1	0.077	7	2	
5 - Segment 5.	58	1	22	0.957	1	0.043	31	4	
6 - Segment 6.	43	1	18	0.818	4	0.182	20	1	
7 - Segment 7.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
8 - Segment 8.	7	0.5	5	0.5	0	0	0	2	
9 - Segment 9.	3	0.1	1	0.1	0	0	1	1	
10 - Segment 10.	7	0.5	5	0.5	0	0	2	0	
Totals	293	6.1	129	5.642	12	0.458	123	29	

Individual Ballot Pool Results				
Segment	Organization	Member	Ballot	Comments
1	Ameren Services	Kirit Shah	Abstain	
1	American Electric Power	Paul B. Johnson		
1	Arizona Public Service Co.	Robert Smith	Abstain	View
1	Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc.	John Bussman	Abstain	
1	Balancing Authority of Northern California	Kevin Smith	Affirmative	
1	BC Hydro and Power Authority	Patricia Robertson	Abstain	
1	Beaches Energy Services	Joseph S Stonecipher	Affirmative	
1	Bonneville Power Administration	Donald S. Watkins	Abstain	

1	Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.	Tony Kroskey		
1	City of Tacoma, Department of Public Utilities, Light Division, dba Tacoma Power	Chang G Choi	Abstain	
1	City Utilities of Springfield, Missouri	Jeff Knottek	Abstain	
1	Clark Public Utilities	Jack Stamper	Affirmative	
1	Cleco Power LLC	Danny McDaniel	Negative	View
1	Consolidated Edison Co. of New York	Christopher L de Graffenried	Affirmative	
1	Dayton Power & Light Co.	Hertzel Shamash		
1	Dominion Virginia Power	Michael S Crowley	Abstain	
1	Duke Energy Carolina	Douglas E. Hils	Negative	View
1	East Kentucky Power Coop.	George S. Carruba	Abstain	
1	Empire District Electric Co.	Ralph F Meyer	Affirmative	
1	Entergy Services, Inc.	Edward J Davis	Abstain	
1	FirstEnergy Corp.	William J Smith	Abstain	
1	Florida Keys Electric Cooperative Assoc.	Dennis Minton	Affirmative	
1	Florida Power & Light Co.	Mike O'Neil		
1	Gainesville Regional Utilities	Luther E. Fair	Affirmative	View
1	Georgia Transmission Corporation	Harold Taylor	Affirmative	
1	Hoosier Energy Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Bob Solomon	Negative	
1	Hydro One Networks, Inc.	Ajay Garg	Affirmative	
1	Idaho Power Company	Ronald D. Schellberg	Affirmative	
1	Imperial Irrigation District	Tino Zaragoza		
1	International Transmission Company Holdings Corp	Michael Moltane	Affirmative	
1	JEA	Ted Hobson	Affirmative	
1	Kansas City Power & Light Co.	Michael Gammon	Abstain	
1	Keys Energy Services	Stanley T Rzad	Affirmative	View
1	Lakeland Electric	Larry E Watt	Negative	View
1	Lee County Electric Cooperative	John W Delucca	Abstain	
1	Lincoln Electric System	Doug Bantam	Affirmative	
1	Manitoba Hydro	Joe D Petaski	Affirmative	View
1	MEAG Power	Danny Dees	Affirmative	
1	MidAmerican Energy Co.	Terry Harbour	Abstain	
1	Nebraska Public Power District	Cole C Brodine	Abstain	
1	New York Power Authority	Arnold J. Schuff	Abstain	
1	New York State Electric & Gas Corp.	Raymond P Kinney	Affirmative	
1	Northeast Utilities	David Boguslawski	Abstain	
1	Northern Indiana Public Service Co.	Kevin M Largura	Abstain	
1	NorthWestern Energy	John Canavan	Affirmative	
1	Ohio Valley Electric Corp.	Robert Matthey	Affirmative	
1	Oklahoma Gas and Electric Co.	Marvin E VanBebber	Abstain	
1	Omaha Public Power District	Doug Peterchuck	Affirmative	
1	Oncor Electric Delivery	Brenda Pulis	Abstain	
1	Orlando Utilities Commission	Brad Chase	Affirmative	
1	Otter Tail Power Company	Daryl Hanson	Affirmative	
1	Pacific Gas and Electric Company	Bangalore Vijayraghavan		
1	Portland General Electric Co.	John T Walker	Abstain	
1	Potomac Electric Power Co.	David Thorne	Abstain	
1	PowerSouth Energy Cooperative	Larry D Avery	Affirmative	
1	PPL Electric Utilities Corp.	Brenda L Truhe	Affirmative	
1	Progress Energy Carolinas	Brett A Koelsch	Affirmative	
1	Public Service Company of New Mexico	Laurie Williams	Abstain	
1	Public Service Electric and Gas Co.	Kenneth D. Brown	Abstain	
1	Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County	Kyle M. Hussey	Affirmative	View
1	Raj Rana	Rajendrasinh D Rana	Abstain	
1	Rochester Gas and Electric Corp.	John C. Allen	Affirmative	
1	Sacramento Municipal Utility District	Tim Kelley	Affirmative	
1	San Diego Gas & Electric	Will Speer		
1	SCE&G	Henry Delk, Jr.		
1	Seattle City Light	Pawel Krupa	Affirmative	
1	Sho-Me Power Electric Cooperative	Denise Stevens	Abstain	
1	Snohomish County PUD No. 1	Long T Duong	Abstain	
1	South California Edison Company	Steven Mavis	Affirmative	
1	Southern Company Services, Inc.	Robert Schaffeld	Affirmative	
1	Southern Illinois Power Coop.	William Hutchison	Abstain	
1	Southwest Transmission Cooperative, Inc.	James Jones	Negative	View
1	Tampa Electric Co.	Beth Young	Affirmative	

1	Tennessee Valley Authority	Larry Akens	Abstain	
1	Tri-State G & T Association, Inc.	Tracy Sliman	Affirmative	
1	Tucson Electric Power Co.	John Tolo	Abstain	
1	United Illuminating Co.	Jonathan Appelbaum	Affirmative	
1	Western Area Power Administration	Brandy A Dunn	Affirmative	
1	Xcel Energy, Inc.	Gregory L Pieper	Abstain	
2	Alberta Electric System Operator	Mark B Thompson	Abstain	
2	BC Hydro	Venkataramakrishnan Vinnakota	Abstain	
2	ISO New England, Inc.	Kathleen Goodman	Abstain	
2	Midwest ISO, Inc.	Marie Knox		
2	New Brunswick System Operator	Alden Briggs	Abstain	
2	New York Independent System Operator	Gregory Campoli		
2	PJM Interconnection, L.L.C.	Tom Bowe	Abstain	
2	Southwest Power Pool, Inc.	Charles Yeung		
3	AEP	Michael E DeLoach	Abstain	
3	Alabama Power Company	Richard J. Mandes	Affirmative	
3	Ameren Services	Mark Peters	Abstain	
3	Anaheim Public Utilities Dept.	Kelly Nguyen	Abstain	
3	APS	Steven Norris	Abstain	
3	Atlantic City Electric Company	NICOLE BUCKMAN	Abstain	
3	BC Hydro and Power Authority	Pat G. Harrington	Abstain	
3	Black Hills Power	Andy Butcher		
3	Bonneville Power Administration	Rebecca Berdahl	Abstain	
3	City of Bartow, Florida	Matt Culverhouse		
3	City of Clewiston	Lynne Mila	Affirmative	
3	City of Green Cove Springs	Gregg R Griffin		
3	City of Redding	Bill Hughes	Affirmative	
3	Cleco Corporation	Michelle A Corley	Negative	View
3	Consolidated Edison Co. of New York	Peter T Yost	Affirmative	
3	Consumers Energy	Richard Blumenstock	Abstain	
3	Delmarva Power & Light Co.	Michael R. Mayer	Abstain	
3	Detroit Edison Company	Kent Kujala	Affirmative	
3	Dominion Resources Services	Michael F. Gildea	Affirmative	
3	Duke Energy Carolina	Henry Ernst-Jr	Affirmative	
3	Entergy	Joel T Plessinger	Abstain	
3	FirstEnergy Energy Delivery	Stephan Kern	Abstain	
3	Florida Municipal Power Agency	Joe McKinney	Affirmative	View
3	Florida Power Corporation	Lee Schuster	Affirmative	
3	Georgia Power Company	Anthony L Wilson	Affirmative	
3	Georgia Systems Operations Corporation	William N. Phinney	Affirmative	
3	Grays Harbor PUD	Wesley W Gray	Affirmative	
3	Gulf Power Company	Paul C Caldwell	Affirmative	
3	Harney Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Shane Sweet	Abstain	
3	Hydro One Networks, Inc.	David Kiguel	Affirmative	
3	JEA	Garry Baker	Affirmative	
3	Kansas City Power & Light Co.	Charles Locke	Abstain	
3	Kissimmee Utility Authority	Gregory D Woessner		
3	Lincoln Electric System	Jason Fortik	Affirmative	
3	Louisville Gas and Electric Co.	Charles A. Freibert	Affirmative	
3	Manitoba Hydro	Greg C. Parent	Affirmative	View
3	Manitowoc Public Utilities	Thomas E Reed	Abstain	
3	Mississippi Power	Jeff Franklin	Affirmative	
3	Municipal Electric Authority of Georgia	Steven M. Jackson	Affirmative	
3	Nebraska Public Power District	Tony Eddleman	Abstain	
3	New York Power Authority	Marilyn Brown	Abstain	
3	Niagara Mohawk (National Grid Company)	Michael Schiavone	Affirmative	
3	Northern Indiana Public Service Co.	William SeDoris	Abstain	
3	Ocala Electric Utility	David Anderson	Affirmative	
3	Oregon Trail Electric Cooperative	ned ratterman	Affirmative	
3	Orlando Utilities Commission	Ballard K Mutters	Abstain	
3	Owensboro Municipal Utilities	Thomas T Lyons	Affirmative	
3	Pacific Gas and Electric Company	John H Hagen	Affirmative	View
3	PacifiCorp	Dan Zollner	Abstain	
3	Platte River Power Authority	Terry L Baker	Affirmative	
3	Potomac Electric Power Co.	Robert Reuter		
3	Progress Energy Carolinas	Sam Waters	Affirmative	

3	Public Service Electric and Gas Co.	Jeffrey Mueller	Abstain	
3	Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County	Greg Lange		
3	Puget Sound Energy, Inc.	Erin Apperson	Abstain	
3	Sacramento Municipal Utility District	James Leigh-Kendall	Affirmative	
3	Salt River Project	John T. Underhill		
3	Seattle City Light	Dana Wheelock	Affirmative	
3	Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc.	James R Frauen	Affirmative	
3	Snohomish County PUD No. 1	Mark Oens		
3	South Carolina Electric & Gas Co.	Hubert C Young	Abstain	
3	Tacoma Public Utilities	Travis Metcalfe	Abstain	
3	Tampa Electric Co.	Ronald L Donahey	Affirmative	
3	Tennessee Valley Authority	Ian S Grant	Abstain	
3	Tri-State G & T Association, Inc.	Janelle Marriott	Abstain	
3	Xcel Energy, Inc.	Michael Ibold	Abstain	
4	Alliant Energy Corp. Services, Inc.	Kenneth Goldsmith	Affirmative	
4	American Municipal Power	Kevin Koloini	Abstain	
4	City of Clewiston	Kevin McCarthy	Affirmative	
4	City of New Smyrna Beach Utilities Commission	Tim Beyrle		
4	City of Redding	Nicholas Zettel	Affirmative	
4	City Utilities of Springfield, Missouri	John Allen	Abstain	
4	Consumers Energy	David Frank Ronk	Affirmative	
4	Flathead Electric Cooperative	Russ Schneider	Abstain	
4	Florida Municipal Power Agency	Frank Gaffney	Affirmative	View
4	Fort Pierce Utilities Authority	Thomas Richards		
4	Georgia System Operations Corporation	Guy Andrews	Negative	View
4	Madison Gas and Electric Co.	Joseph DePoorter	Abstain	
4	Northern California Power Agency	Tracy R Bibb	Affirmative	
4	Ohio Edison Company	Douglas Hohlbaugh	Abstain	
4	Old Dominion Electric Coop.	Mark Ringhausen	Affirmative	
4	Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County	John D Martinsen	Abstain	
4	Sacramento Municipal Utility District	Mike Ramirez	Affirmative	
4	Seattle City Light	Hao Li	Affirmative	
4	Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Steven R Wallace	Affirmative	View
4	South Mississippi Electric Power Association	Steven McElhane	Affirmative	
4	Tacoma Public Utilities	Keith Morisette	Abstain	
4	Wisconsin Energy Corp.	Anthony Jankowski	Affirmative	
5	AEP Service Corp.	Brock Ondayko		
5	Amerenue	Sam Dwyer	Abstain	
5	Arizona Public Service Co.	Edward Cambridge	Abstain	
5	Avista Corp.	Edward F. Groce	Abstain	
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5	Black Hills Corp	George Tatar	Abstain	
5	Boise-Kuna Irrigation District/dba Lucky peak power plant project	Mike D Kukla	Affirmative	
5	Bonneville Power Administration	Francis J. Halpin	Abstain	View
5	City and County of San Francisco	Daniel Mason	Abstain	
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5	City of Redding	Paul Cummings	Affirmative	
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5	City of Tallahassee	Brian Horton		
5	Cleco Power	Stephanie Huffman	Negative	View
5	Consolidated Edison Co. of New York	Wilket (Jack) Ng	Affirmative	
5	Consumers Energy Company	David C Greyerbiehl	Abstain	
5	Detroit Edison Company	Christy Wicke	Affirmative	
5	Dominion Resources, Inc.	Mike Garton	Abstain	
5	Duke Energy	Dale Q Goodwine	Affirmative	
5	FirstEnergy Solutions	Kenneth Dresner	Affirmative	
5	Florida Municipal Power Agency	David Schumann	Affirmative	View
5	Great River Energy	Preston L Walsh	Abstain	
5	Green Country Energy	Greg Froehling	Abstain	
5	JEA	John J Babik	Affirmative	
5	Kissimmee Utility Authority	Mike Blough	Affirmative	
5	Lakeland Electric	James M Howard		
5	Lincoln Electric System	Dennis Florom	Affirmative	
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5	Manitoba Hydro	S N Fernando	Affirmative	
5	Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company	David Gordon	Abstain	
5	MEAG Power	Steven Grego	Affirmative	
5	MidAmerican Energy Co.	Christopher Schneider	Abstain	
5	Muscatine Power & Water	Mike Avesing	Abstain	
5	New York Power Authority	Gerald Mannarino	Abstain	
5	Northern Indiana Public Service Co.	William O. Thompson	Abstain	View
5	Oklahoma Gas and Electric Co.	Kim Morphis	Abstain	
5	PacifiCorp	Sandra L. Shaffer	Abstain	
5	Platte River Power Authority	Roland Thiel	Affirmative	
5	Portland General Electric Co.	Gary L Tingley	Affirmative	
5	PPL Generation LLC	Annette M Bannon	Affirmative	
5	Progress Energy Carolinas	Wayne Lewis	Affirmative	
5	PSEG Fossil LLC	Mikhail Falkovich	Abstain	
5	Public Utility District No. 1 of Lewis County	Steven Grega	Abstain	
5	Puget Sound Energy, Inc.	Tom Flynn	Abstain	
5	Sacramento Municipal Utility District	Bethany Hunter	Affirmative	
5	Salt River Project	William Alkema	Abstain	
5	Seattle City Light	Michael J. Haynes	Affirmative	
5	Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Brenda K. Atkins	Affirmative	
5	Siemens PTI	Edwin Cano	Abstain	
5	Snohomish County PUD No. 1	Sam Nietfeld	Abstain	
5	Southern California Edison Co.	Denise Yaffe	Abstain	
5	Southern Company Generation	William D Shultz	Affirmative	
5	Tampa Electric Co.	RJames Rocha	Affirmative	
5	Tenaska, Inc.	Scott M Helyer	Abstain	
5	Tennessee Valley Authority	David Thompson	Abstain	
5	Tri-State G & T Association, Inc.	Barry Ingold	Affirmative	
5	U.S. Army Corps of Engineers	Melissa Kurtz	Abstain	
5	Xcel Energy, Inc.	Liam Noailles	Abstain	
6	ACES Power Marketing	Jason L Marshall	Affirmative	View
6	AEP Marketing	Edward P. Cox		
6	Ameren Energy Marketing Co.	Jennifer Richardson	Abstain	
6	APS	RANDY A YOUNG	Abstain	
6	Black Hills Power	andrew heinle	Abstain	
6	Bonneville Power Administration	Brenda S. Anderson	Abstain	
6	City of Redding	Marvin Briggs	Affirmative	
6	Cleco Power LLC	Robert Hirschak	Negative	View
6	Consolidated Edison Co. of New York	Nickesha P Carrol	Affirmative	
6	Constellation Energy Commodities Group	Brenda Powell	Abstain	
6	Dominion Resources, Inc.	Louis S. Slade	Abstain	
6	Duke Energy Carolina	Walter Yeager	Negative	View
6	Entergy Services, Inc.	Terri F Benoit	Abstain	
6	FirstEnergy Solutions	Kevin Querry	Abstain	
6	Florida Municipal Power Agency	Richard L. Montgomery	Affirmative	View
6	Florida Municipal Power Pool	Thomas Washburn	Affirmative	
6	Florida Power & Light Co.	Silvia P. Mitchell	Affirmative	
6	Imperial Irrigation District	Cathy Bretz	Abstain	
6	Kansas City Power & Light Co.	Jessica L Klinghoffer	Abstain	
6	Lakeland Electric	Paul Shipps	Affirmative	
6	Lincoln Electric System	Eric Ruskamp	Affirmative	
6	Manitoba Hydro	Daniel Prowse	Affirmative	View
6	MidAmerican Energy Co.	Dennis Kimm	Affirmative	
6	New York Power Authority	William Palazzo	Abstain	
6	Northern Indiana Public Service Co.	Joseph O'Brien	Abstain	View
6	Orlando Utilities Commission	Claston Augustus Sunanon	Negative	View
6	PacifiCorp	Scott L Smith	Abstain	
6	Platte River Power Authority	Carol Ballantine	Affirmative	
6	PPL EnergyPlus LLC	Mark A Heimbach	Affirmative	
6	Progress Energy	John T Sturgeon	Affirmative	
6	PSEG Energy Resources & Trade LLC	Peter Dolan	Abstain	
6	Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County	Hugh A. Owen	Abstain	
6	Sacramento Municipal Utility District	Diane Enderby	Affirmative	
6	Seattle City Light	Dennis Sismaet	Affirmative	
6	Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Trudy S. Novak	Negative	
6	Snohomish County PUD No. 1	William T Moojen	Abstain	

6	South California Edison Company	Lujuanna Medina	Abstain	
6	Southern Company Generation and Energy Marketing	John J. Ciza	Affirmative	
6	Tacoma Public Utilities	Michael C Hill	Abstain	
6	Tampa Electric Co.	Benjamin F Smith II	Affirmative	
6	Tennessee Valley Authority	Marjorie S. Parsons	Abstain	
6	Western Area Power Administration - UGP Marketing	Peter H Kinney	Affirmative	
6	Xcel Energy, Inc.	David F. Lemmons	Abstain	
8		Roger C Zaklukiewicz	Affirmative	
8		Edward C Stein	Affirmative	
8		James A Maenner	Affirmative	
8		Merle Ashton		
8	JDRJC Associates	Jim Cyrulewski	Affirmative	
8	Utility Services, Inc.	Brian Evans-Mongeon		
8	Volkman Consulting, Inc.	Terry Volkman	Affirmative	
9	California Energy Commission	William M Chamberlain	Abstain	
9	Commonwealth of Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities	Donald Nelson	Affirmative	
9	Public Utilities Commission of Ohio	Klaus Lambeck		
10	Florida Reliability Coordinating Council	Linda Campbell	Abstain	
10	Midwest Reliability Organization	James D Burley	Affirmative	
10	New York State Reliability Council	Alan Adamson	Affirmative	
10	Northeast Power Coordinating Council	Guy V. Zito	Affirmative	
10	ReliabilityFirst Corporation	Anthony E Jablonski	Affirmative	View
10	SERC Reliability Corporation	Carter B. Edge	Affirmative	
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Standard Drafting Team Roster for NERC Standards Development Project INT-2011-01

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Drafting Team Roster**

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