

Standard-TOP-003-1 — Planned Outage Coordination

A. Introduction

- 1. Title:** **Planned Outage Coordination**
- 2. Number:** TOP-003-1
- 3. Purpose:** Scheduled generator and transmission outages that may affect the reliability of interconnected operations must be planned and coordinated among Balancing Authorities, Transmission Operators, and Reliability Coordinators.
- 4. Applicability**
 - 4.1.** Generator Operators.
 - 4.2.** Transmission Operators.
 - 4.3.** Balancing Authorities.
 - 4.4.** Reliability Coordinators.
- 5. *Proposed Effective Date:**

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B. Requirements

- R1.** Generator Operators and Transmission Operators shall provide planned outage information.
 - R1.1.** Each Generator Operator shall provide outage information daily to its Transmission Operator for scheduled generator outages planned for the next day (any foreseen outage of a generator greater than 50 MW). The Transmission Operator shall establish the outage reporting requirements.
 - R1.2.** Each Transmission Operator shall provide outage information daily to affected Balancing Authorities and Transmission Operators for scheduled generator and bulk transmission outages planned for the next day (any foreseen outage of a transmission line or transformer greater than 100 kV or generator greater than 50 MW) that may collectively cause or contribute to an SOL or IROL violation or a regional operating area limitation.
 - R1.3.** Such information shall be available by 1200 Central Standard Time for the Eastern Interconnection and 1200 Pacific Standard Time for the Western Interconnection.
- R2.** Each Transmission Operator, Balancing Authority, and Generator Operator shall plan and coordinate scheduled outages of system voltage regulating equipment, such as automatic voltage regulators on generators, supplementary excitation control, synchronous condensers,

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shunt and series capacitors, reactors, etc., among affected Balancing Authorities and Transmission Operators as required.

R3. Each Transmission Operator, Balancing Authority, and Generator Operator shall plan and coordinate scheduled outages of telemetering and control equipment and associated communication channels between the affected areas.

R4. Each Reliability Coordinator shall resolve any scheduling of potential reliability conflicts.

C. Measures

M1. Evidence that the Generator Operator, Transmission Operator, and Balancing Authority reported and coordinated scheduled outage information as indicated in the requirements above.

D. Compliance

1. Compliance Monitoring Process

The Compliance Monitor shall conduct a review every three years to ensure that each responsible entity has a process in place to provide planned generator and/or bulk transmission outage information to their Reliability Coordinator, and with neighboring Transmission Operators and Balancing Authorities.

Investigation: At the discretion of the Compliance Monitor an investigation may be initiated to review the planned outage process of a monitored entity due to a complaint of non-compliance by another entity. Notification of an investigation must be made by the Compliance Monitor to the entity being investigated as soon as possible, but no later than 60 days after the event. The form and manner of the investigation will be set by the Compliance Monitor.

1.1. Compliance Monitoring Responsibility

The British Columbia Utilities Commission.

1.2. Compliance Monitoring Period and Reset Timeframe

One calendar year without a violation from the time of the violation.

1.3. Data Retention

One calendar year.

1.4. Additional Compliance Information

Not specified.

2. Violation Severity Levels:

(TBD)

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E. Regional Variances

None identified.

Version History

Version	Date	Action	Change Tracking
0	April 1, 2005	Effective Date	New
0	August 8, 2005	Removed “Proposed” from Effective Date	Errata
1		Modified R1.2 Modified M1 Replaced Levels of Non-compliance with the Feb 28, BOT approved Violation Severity Levels (VSLs)	Revised
1	October 17, 2008	Adopted by NERC Board of Trustees	
1	March 17, 2011	Order issued by FERC approving TOP-003-1 (approval effective 5/23/11)	

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