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Regional Reliability Standards Announcement

Western Electricity Coordinating Council
BAL-004-WECC-4

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The Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) requested that NERC post **Regional Reliability Standard BAL-004-WECC-4 (Automatic Time Error Correction)** for industry review and comment in accordance with the NERC Rules of Procedure. Comments must be submitted by **8 p.m. Eastern, Tuesday, May 28, 2024.**

Background

Proposed Regional Reliability Standard BAL-004-WECC-4 – Automatic Time Error Correction modifies the current effective regional standard BAL -004-WECC-3 as follows:

- Expanding the existing Background section
- Creating a Standard-specific definition (Interchange Software)
- Creating a requirement to use the Interchange Software
- Addressing treatment of Balancing Authorities that do not have a full year of operating data
- Consolidating and clarifying requirements

- Updating the documents to NERC's newest templates
- Adding a Standard-specific definition, applicable only to this RRS
- Clarifying that when used, the term “ATEC” is as defined in the WECC Regional Definitions section of the NERC Glossary of Terms Used in Reliability Standards (Glossary)

The WECC Board of Directors approved the proposed regional standard on March 13, 2024.

Commenting

Use the [Standards Balloting and Commenting System \(SBS\)](#) to submit comments. An unofficial Word version of the comment form is posted on the [Regional Reliability Standards Under Development](#) page.

- *Contact NERC IT support directly at <https://support.nerc.net/> (Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Eastern) for problems regarding accessing the SBS due to a forgotten password, incorrect credential error messages, or system lock-out.*
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- *Please be mindful of ballot and comment period closing dates. We ask to **allow at least 48 hours** for NERC support staff to assist with inquiries. Therefore, it is recommended that users try logging into their SBS accounts **prior to the last day** of a comment/ballot period.*

Regional Reliability Standards Development Process

Section 300 of [NERC’s Rules of Procedures of the Electric Reliability Organization](#) governs the regional reliability standards development process. Although the technical aspects of this Regional Reliability Standard have been vetted through WECC Regional Standards development process, the final approval process for a Regional Reliability Standard requires NERC publicly to notice and request comment on the criteria outlined in the unofficial comment form.

Documents and information about this project are available on the [Western Electricity Coordinating Council \(WECC\) Standards](#) page.

For more information or assistance, contact Reliability Standards Analyst, [Kimberlin Harris](#) (via email) or at 404-446-9794.



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