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Western Electricity Coordinating Council
FAC-501-WECC-4

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The Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) requested that NERC post **Regional Reliability Standard, FAC-501-WECC-4 – Transmission Maintenance** and the associated WECC-0149 Table Revision Process for industry review and comment in accordance with the NERC Rules of Procedure. Comments are due by **8 p.m. Friday, September 29, 2023**.

Background

Proposed Regional Reliability Standard FAC-501-WECC-4 – Transmission Maintenance modifies the currently effective regional standard FAC-501-WECC-2 as follows:

- Conforming the language throughout to incorporate the WECC-0149 [Table Revision Process](#).
- Updating the Compliance section to accept NERC's newest template language.
- Deleting FAC-501-WECC-2, Attachment B, Path Names Identified for Transmission Maintenance and Inspection, and migrating that list into the WECC-0149 Table Revision Process, Attachment A, Major WECC Transfer Paths in the Bulk Electric System.

- Deleting FAC-501-WECC-2, Attachment C, Revision Process, and replacement of that process with the WECC-0149 Table Revision Process.
- Creates a process for modifying the content of the WECC-0149 Table Revision Process, Attachment A, Major WECC Transfer Paths in the Bulk Electric System.

The WECC Board of Directors approved the proposed regional standard FAC-501-WECC-4 and WECC-0149 Table Revision Process on June 14, 2023.

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.

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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.

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