

Non-Substantive Changes, Made by the Commission Order in Docket No. RD15-1-000 (Version Two Regional Reliability Standards for Automatic Voltage Regulators and Power System Stabilizer)

The proposed regional Reliability Standards¹ achieve the same reliability purpose of the prior versions VAR-002-WECC-1 and VAR-501-WECC-1. Regional Reliability Standard VAR-002-WECC-2 will ensure that automatic voltage regulators on synchronous generators and condensers are kept in service and controlling voltage and regional Reliability Standard VAR-501-WECC-2 will ensure that power system stabilizers on synchronous generators are kept in service.

The petition from NERC explains that the proposed regional Reliability Standards revise regional Reliability Standards VAR-002-WECC-1 and VAR-501-WECC-1 to remove an administrative Requirement R2 in each, which requires documentation relating to the provisions of Requirement R1. Regional Reliability Standard VAR-002-WECC-1, Requirement R2 currently requires that generator operators and transmission operators “shall have documentation identifying the number of hours excluded for each requirement in R1.1 through R1.10.” Regional Reliability Standard VAR-501-WECC-1 currently includes similar language requiring generator operators to have “documentation identifying the number of hours excluded for each requirement in R1.1 through R1.12.” The petition further explains that in each of the proposed Reliability Standards, the documentation language has been moved from the deleted Requirement R2 to the Measure associated with Requirement R1.

FERC is not changing the way a collection is being done, and is not modifying the burden, cost or respondent’s with this collection, and sees this as a non-material or non-substantive change to a currently approved collection.

¹ Regional Reliability Standard VAR-002-WECC-2 and regional Reliability Standard VAR-501-WECC-2