

Exhibit B
Implementation Plan

Implementation Plan COM-001-3 Communications

Requested Approval

COM-001-3 – Communications

Requested Retirement

COM-001-2.1 – Communications

Prerequisite Approvals

None.

Defined Terms in the NERC Glossary

None.

Conforming Changes to Requirements in Already Approved Standards

None.

Revisions to Approved Standards and Definitions

The Standard Drafting Team (SDT) revised the COM-001-2.1 standard to propose additional Requirements R12 and R13, addressing FERC’s directive in Order No. 808, P41 “[t]o develop modifications to COM-001-2, or to develop a new standard, to address our concerns regarding ensuring the adequacy of internal communications capability...” The additions were made to address internal Interpersonal Communication capabilities for applicable entities.

Applicable Entities

- Reliability Coordinator
- Balancing Authority
- Transmission Operator
- Generator Operator
- Distribution Provider

Effective Date

New or Revised Standards

COM-001-3 Where approval by an applicable governmental authority is required, the standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter that is 9 months after the effective date of the applicable governmental authority’s order

approving the standard, or as otherwise provided for by the applicable governmental authority.

Where approval by an applicable governmental authority is not required, the standard shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter that is 9 months after the date the standard is adopted by the NERC Board of Trustees, or as otherwise provided for in that jurisdiction.

Standard for Retirement

Reliability Standard COM-001-2.1 shall be retired immediately prior to the Effective Date of COM-001-3 in the particular jurisdiction in which the COM-001-3 standard is becoming effective.

New or Revised Definitions

None.