

Alberta Reliability Standard

System Performance Under Normal Conditions

TPL-001-AB-0



1. Purpose

The purpose of this **reliability standard** is to ensure that a reliable transmission system is planned that meets specified performance requirements, with sufficient lead time. The transmission system must continue to be modified or upgraded as required to meet present and future system specified performance requirements as identified by periodically performed system simulations and associated planning assessments.

2. Applicability

This **reliability standard** applies to:

- (a) **ISO**

3. Definitions

Bold terms used in this **reliability standard** have the meanings as set out in the [Consolidated Authoritative Document Glossary](#) and Part 1 of the [ISO Rules](#).

4. Requirements

R1 The **ISO** must demonstrate through a planning assessment that a transmission system is planned such that, with all **transmission facilities** in service and with pre-**contingency** operating procedures in effect, the transmission system can be operated to accommodate forecasted customer **demands**, supply and forecasted **firm** (non- recallable reserved) transmission services at all **demand** levels over the range of forecast system **demands**, under the conditions defined in Category A of Appendix 1.

The **ISO** planning assessment must:

R1.1 Be carried out annually.

R1.2 Be conducted for years one through five and years six through ten planning horizons.

R1.3 Be supported by a study and/or system simulation testing, conducted within the last five years, that addresses each of the requirements in requirement R1.3.1 to R1.3.9, showing system performance for the conditions defined in Category A of Appendix 1.

R1.3.1 Cover critical system conditions and study years as determined necessary by the **ISO**.

R1.3.2 Be conducted annually unless the **ISO** determines that changes to system conditions do not warrant such analyses.

R1.3.3 Be conducted beyond the five year planning horizon only as needed to address identified marginal conditions that may have longer lead time solutions.

R1.3.4 Have pre-**contingency** operating procedures established and in place.

R1.3.5 Have all projected firm transfers modeled, if any.

R1.3.6 Be performed for selected **demand** levels over the range of forecast system **demands** as considered necessary by the **ISO**.

R1.3.7 Demonstrate that system performance meets the conditions defined in Category A of Appendix 1.

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R1.3.8 Include existing and planned **facilities** as considered necessary by the **ISO**.

R1.3.9 Include **reactive power** resources to ensure that adequate reactive resources are available to meet system performance.

R1.4 Address any planned upgrades needed to meet the performance requirements for the conditions defined in Category A of Appendix 1.

R2 When system simulations indicate an inability of the systems to respond as set out in R1.3.7 in this **reliability standard**, the **ISO** must:

R2.1 Develop corrective plans to achieve the required system performance as described above throughout the planning horizon.

R2.1.1 Including a schedule for implementation.

R2.1.2 Including a discussion of expected required in-service dates of **facilities**.

R2.1.3 Consider lead times necessary to implement corrective plans.

R2.2 Review in subsequent annual assessments, where sufficient lead time exists, the continuing need for identified system **facilities**. Detailed implementation plans are not needed.

R3 The **ISO** must provide the planning assessment to **WECC** on an annual basis.

5. Processes and Procedures

No procedures have been defined for this **reliability standard**.

6. Measures

The following measures correspond to the requirements identified in Section 4 of this **reliability standard**. For example, MR1 is the measure for R1.

MR1 The planning assessment will be valid and meet requirement in R1 through the following measures:

- (a) The scope of the planning assessment identifies where area studies have been conducted in the past year. It also identifies area studies that have been conducted in previous years and are still valid. Where area studies have not been conducted, a plan and schedule to conduct one is included in the planning assessment.
- (b) The planning assessment includes time horizons as specified in R1.2.
- (c) The planning assessment has been prepared within the last year.
- (d) A certification that the planning assessment complies with each of the R1 technical requirements is provided and states that the planning assessment meets all requirements, identifies requirements not met, and states reasons where the requirement was not met.
- (e) A summary list of supporting area studies and needs identification documents is provided. The summary list includes the title and date of the study. The area studies and needs identification documents are provided if requested.

MR2 The area studies and needs identification documents contain recommendations and projects for corrective plans where an inability of the systems to respond to requirements specified in R1 has been identified. The area studies and needs identification documents are provided on request. The

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area studies and needs identification documents contain the technical components as specified in R2 and its subsections.

MR3 A written or email confirmation from **WECC** that it has received the planning assessment from the **ISO**. The confirmation includes the date of when the planning assessment was received and source identification information.

7. Appendices

Appendix 1 - Transmission System Standards – Normal and Emergency Conditions (see below)

8. Guidelines

No guidelines have been defined for this **reliability standard**.

Revision History

Date	Description
2010-09-24	New Issue
2016-08-30	Inclusion of the defined term system element .

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Appendix 1 - Transmission System Standards – Normal and Emergency Conditions

Category	Contingencies	System Limits or Impacts		
	Initiating Event(s) and Contingency System Element(s)	System Stable and Both Thermal and Voltage Limits Within Applicable Rating ^a	Loss of Demand or Curtailed Firm Transmission Service Transfers	Cascading
A No contingencies	All facilities in service	Yes	No	No
B Event resulting in the loss of a single system element	Single Line Ground (SLG) or 3-Phase (3Ø) fault, with normal clearing:	Yes	No ^b	No
	1. Generator	Yes	No ^b	No
	2. Transmission circuit	Yes	No ^b	No
C Event(s) resulting in the loss of two or more (multiple) system elements	3. Transformer	Yes	No ^b	No
	SLG fault, with normal clearing ^e :			
	1. Bus section	Yes	Planned/ Controlled ^c	No
	2. Breaker (failure or internal fault)	Yes	Planned/ Controlled ^c	No
	SLG or 3Ø fault, with normal clearing ^e , manual system adjustments, followed by another SLG or 3Ø fault, with normal clearing ^e			
3. Category B (B1, B2, B3, or B4) contingency, manual system adjustments, followed by another Category B (B1, B2, B3, or B4) contingency	Yes	Planned/ Controlled ^c	No	
Bipolar block, with normal clearing ^e :				
4. Bipolar (dc) line fault (non 3Ø), with normal clearing ^e :	Yes	Planned/ Controlled ^c	No	
5. Any two circuits of a multiple circuit towerline ^t	Yes	Planned/ Controlled ^c	No	
SLG fault, with delayed clearing ^e (stuck breaker or protection system failure)				

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- c) Depending on system design and expected system impacts, the controlled interruption of electric supply to customers (**load shedding**), the planned removal from service of certain generators, and/or the curtailment of contracted firm (non-recallable reserved) transmission service electric power transfers may be necessary to maintain the overall **reliability** of the **interconnected** transmission systems.
- d) A number of extreme **contingencies** that are listed under Category D and judged to be critical by the transmission planning entity(ies) will be selected for evaluation. It is not expected that all possible **facility outages** under each listed **contingency** of Category D will be evaluated.
- e) **Normal clearing** is when the **protection system** operates as designed and the fault is cleared in the time normally expected with proper functioning of the installed **protection systems**. Delayed clearing of a fault is due to failure of any **protection system** component such as a relay, circuit breaker, or current transformer, and not because of an intentional design delay.
- f) System assessments may exclude these events where multiple circuit towers are used over short distances (i.e., station entrance, river crossings) in accordance with exemption criteria.