



Process for NERC Standard FAC-013-2 (External): Assessment of Transfer Capability for the Near-term Transmission Planning Horizon

Version: 3.0

Applicability: Planning Coordinator (PC)

Planning Coordinator (PC) Process:

This process ensures that BPA has a methodology used for performing an annual assessment to identify potential future Transmission System weaknesses and limiting Facilities that could impact the Bulk Electric System's (BES) ability to reliability transfer energy in the Near-Term Transmission Planning Horizon.

A) Transfer Capability Methodology

- 1) TPP will revise the Transfer Capability Methodology as required. Methodology will contain all criteria specified in Requirements 1.1 through 1.5, and is supported by the methodology developed in FAC-010-2.1 (Requirement 1)

B) Distribution of the Transfer Capability Methodology – Upon Revision

- 1) Prior to the revision being effective, CSRP will issue the Transfer Capability methodology to:
(Requirement 2.1)
 - a) Adjacent or overlapping Planning Coordinators to BPA's PC area. (Requirement 2.1.1)
 - b) Each Transmission Planner (TP) within BPA's PC area. (Requirement 2.1.2)

C) Distribution of the Transfer Capability Methodology – Upon Request

- 1) An entity may request a copy of the Transfer Capability Methodology by emailing the Customer Service Reliability Mailbox at csreliabilityprogram@bpa.gov (link in "a" below). Please note in the email that this request is in reference to: "FAC-013-2 Requirement 2.2 - Request for Transfer Capability Methodology"
 - a) csreliabilityprogram@bpa.gov
- 2) Within 30 calendar days of a written request, CSRP will distribute the Transfer Capability Methodology. (Requirement 2.2)

D) System Assessment in Accordance with Transfer Capability Methodology

- 1) Within the calendar year, TPP shall conduct simulations and document an Assessment based on the Transfer Capability Methodology. (Requirement 4)

E) Notification of System Assessment Results

- 1) Within 45 calendar days of completion (the date of the final Assessment report), CSRP will send a notice that the System Assessment results are available to: (Requirement 5)
 - a) Adjacent or overlapping Planning Coordinators to BPA's PC area.
 - b) Each Transmission Planner (TP) within BPA's PC area.
 - c) Any other entity that received the Transfer Capability Methodology

F) Distribution of System Assessment Results – Upon Request

- 1) An entity may request a copy of the System Assessment Results by emailing the Customer Service Reliability Mailbox at csreliabilityprogram@bpa.gov (link in "a" below). The email should state that this request is in reference to: "FAC-013-2 Requirement 5 - Request for System Assessment Results"
 - a) csreliabilityprogram@bpa.gov
 - b) See Appendix 1 for detailed guidance on BPA Study Request process including non-disclosure agreements.
- 2) Within 45 calendar days of a written request, TPP will distribute System Assessment Results. Request will be subject to disclosure of confidential and/or sensitive information restrictions. (Requirement 5)

G) Distribution of System Assessment Results Supporting Data - Upon Request

- 1) An entity may request a copy of the System Assessment Results Supporting Data by emailing the Customer Service Reliability Mailbox at csreliabilityprogram@bpa.gov (link in "a" below). The email should state that this request is in reference to: "FAC-013-2 Requirement 6 - Request for System Assessment Results Supporting Data"
 - a) csreliabilityprogram@bpa.gov
 - b) See Appendix 1 for detailed guidance on BPA Study Request process including non-disclosure agreements.
- 2) Within 45 calendar days of a written request, TPP will distribute supporting data for the System Assessment Results. Request will be subject to disclosure of confidential and/or sensitive information restrictions. (Requirement 6)

Definitions:

TPP - BPA Transmission Planning

CSRP - BPA Customer Service Reliability Program