# Alberta Reliability Standard Automatic Time Error Correction BAL-004-WECC-AB-1



### 1. Purpose

The purpose of this **reliability standard** is to maintain **interconnection** frequency within a predefined frequency profile under all conditions and to ensure that automatic **time error corrections** are effectively conducted in a manner that does not adversely affect the **reliability** of the western interconnection.

## 2. Applicability

This reliability standard applies to:

- (a) the **ISO**.
- 3. Requirements
  - **R1** The **ISO**, subject to requirements R1.1, R1.2 and R4, must continuously operate its **automatic generation control** using the following automatic **time error correction** formula when synchronized to the **western interconnection**:

 $ACE_{ATEC} = (NI_A - NI'_S) - 10B_i(F_A - F_S) + I_{ME}$ 

Where:

 $NI_A$  = net actual interchange (MW).

 $F_A$  = frequency actual (Hz).

 $F_s$  = frequency scheduled (Normally 60 Hz).

 $B_i$  = frequency bias for the balancing authority area (MW / 0.1 Hz).

 $I_{ME}$  = meter error correction (MW).

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 $NI'_{s} = NI_{s} - (1 - Y) * H$ 

Where:

 $NI_S$  = net scheduled interchange (MW).

 $Y = B_i / B_S.$ 

H = number of hours used to payback **inadvertent interchange** energy as determined by the **WECC** Performance Work Group.

 $B_s$  = frequency bias for the western interconnection (MW / 0.1 Hz).

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= is the **balancing authority's** accumulated **primary inadvertent interchange** in MWh requiring **on peak** and **off peak** accumulation accounting, where:

 $\frac{\Pi_{Primary}^{On/Off peak}}{= \text{last period's}} = \frac{\Pi_{Primary}^{On/Off peak}}{+ (1-Y) * (\Pi_{\text{actual}} - B_i * \Delta \text{TE/6})}$ 

 $II_{actual}$  is the hourly **inadvertent interchange** for the last hour.



 $\Delta$  TE is the hourly change in the **time error** of the **interconnected electric system** as distributed by the **WECC** Reliability Coordinator.

Where:

 $\Delta TE = TE_{end hour} - TE_{begin hour} - TD_{adj} - (t)^* (TE offset)$ 

TD<sub>adj</sub> is any adjustment to the **time error** of the **ISO** coordination center to correct for differences with the **WECC** Reliability Coordinator.

t is the number of minutes of time error correction that occurred during the hour.

TE offset is 0.000 or +0.020 or -0.020.

R1.1 Subject to requirement R1.2, the ISO must, when calculating NI'<sub>S</sub>, use L<sub>max</sub> or, where the absolute value of the automatic time error correction term of the WECC is less than or equal to L<sub>max</sub>, use the calculated automatic time error correction term of the WECC. The ISO chooses the L<sub>max</sub> value which is bound from 20% of the frequency bias of the ISO through L<sub>10</sub>. L<sub>10</sub> is the control performance standard 2 limit of the ISO in MW. The automatic time error correction term of the WECC is defined as follows:

 $\frac{\prod_{\text{Pr imary}}^{On/Off peak}}{(1-Y)*H}$ 

- **R1.2** The **ISO** may disable automatic **time error correction** term if there is a **reliability** concern in the **interconnected electric system** while executing an automatic **time error correction**.
- R2 The ISO must, where large accumulations of primary inadvertent interchange occur, which is the component of area inadvertent interchange caused by the regulating deficiencies of the area:
  - (a) identify any error and make the corrections;
  - (b) recalculate the primary **inadvertent interchange** from the time of the error;
  - (c) adjust the accumulated primary inadvertent interchange caused by the error; and
  - (d) validate the implementation of automatic time error correction.
- R3 The ISO must provide notice to all other balancing authorities in the western interconnection through WECCnet of the automatic generation control operating mode of the ISO when the ISO is both synchronized to the remainder of the western interconnection and operating in any automatic generation control mode that does not use automatic time error correction.
- **R4** Subject to requirement R1.2 the automatic **time error correction** of the **ISO** must not be out of service for more than a maximum total of twenty-four (24) hours per calendar quarter, for any reason, while synchronously connected to the **western interconnection**.
- **R5** The **ISO** must be able to change its **automatic generation control** operating mode among any of the following:
  - (a) flat frequency;
  - (b) flat tie line: a mode that calculates **area control error** to maintain a constant **net interchange schedule**; or



- (c) tie line bias: a mode that allows the **balancing authority** to both maintain its interchange schedule and respond to frequency error of the Interconnection, with or without automatic time error correction enabled.
- R6 The ISO must use the area control error values calculated in the automatic generation control operating mode in use during the time period being reported when a reliability standard requires the ISO to submit reports that include area control error values.
- R7 The ISO must, regardless of the automatic generation control operating mode, compute for each hour its primary inadvertent interchange when checkout for such hour is complete, provided that if the checkout of its previous hour's net scheduled interchange data and net actual interchange data is not complete on or before fifty (50) minutes after such hour, the ISO must compute its primary inadvertent interchange for such hour based on the best available data at that time.
- **R8** The **ISO** must add the primary **inadvertent interchange** computed for each hour in requirement R7 to the accumulated primary **inadvertent interchange** balances for the **on peak** period or **off peak** period, as appropriate.
- **R9** The **ISO** must use the change in **time error** distributed by the **WECC** Reliability Coordinator in calculating the primary **inadvertent interchange**.
- **R10** The **ISO** must, if corrections are made to any previous hour's **net scheduled interchange**, **net actual interchange** or the change in **time error** distributed by the **WECC** Reliability Coordinator, recompute the primary **inadvertent interchange** for such hour and must add any changes to the accumulated primary **inadvertent interchange** balances for the **on peak** period or **off peak** period, as appropriate.
- **R11** The **ISO** must, for each **month**, add **month**-end revenue meter **inadvertent interchange** adjustments, all of which are 100% primary **inadvertent interchange**, to the accumulated primary **inadvertent interchange** balances for the **on peak** period or **off peak** period, as appropriate.
- **R12** The **ISO** must, when it is synchronized to the remainder of the **western interconnection**, synchronize its **time error** to the nearest zero point zero zero one (0.001) seconds of the **time error** of the **western interconnection** as distributed by the **WECC** Reliability Coordinator at least once per **day**.

#### 4 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** Evidence of using the **time error correction** formula for continuous **automatic generation control** operation as required in requirement R1 exists. Evidence may include a documented algorithm of real time calculation indicating that the ACE<sub>ATEC</sub> is used.
  - **MR1.1** Evidence of calculating NI's as required in requirement R1.1. exists. Evidence may include validation of energy management system software and historical data showing the **automatic generation control** mode.
  - **MR1.2** Evidence of only disabling automatic **time error correction** if there is a **reliability** concern, as required in R1.2 exists. Evidence may include electronic logs, **operator** logs, SCADA data or emails.
- MR2 Evidence of identifying an error and taking actions as required in requirement R2 exists. Evidence may include electronic logs, operator logs, SCADA data, emails or after-the-fact analysis.



- **MR3** Evidence of providing notice as required in requirement R3 exists. Evidence may include **operator** logs, emails or voice recordings.
- **MR4** Evidence of the automatic **time error correction** not being out of service as required in requirement R4 exists. Evidence may include historical data showing the **automatic** generation control mode, electronic logs, operator logs or voice recordings.
- MR5 Evidence of changing the automatic generation control operating mode as required in requirement R5 exists. Evidence may include snapshots of the operating interface provided in the energy management system for changing its automatic generation control operating mode.
- MR6 Evidence of using area control error values in reports as required in R6.exists. Evidence may include historical data showing the automatic generation control mode and relevant reports.
- **MR7** Evidence of computing primary **inadvertent interchange** hourly as required in requirement R7 exists. Evidence may include electronic logs or other records.
- **MR8** Evidence of adding values together as required in requirement R8 exists. Evidence may include an automatic **time error correction** application showing a calculated value was used for each hour.
- **MR9** Evidence of using the change in **time error** as required in requirement R9 exists. Evidence may include Western Interchange Tool checkout or e-mails.
- **MR10** Evidence of recomputing and adding the values as required in requirement R10 exists. Evidence may include Western Interchange Tool checkout or e-mails.
- **MR11** Evidence of adding the values as required in requirement R11 exists. Evidence may include Western Interchange Tool checkout or e-mails.
- **MR12** Evidence of synchronizing **time error** as required in requirement R12 exists. Evidence may include Western Interchange Tool checkout or e-mails.

#### 5. Appendices

No appendices have been defined for this reliability standard.

### **Revision History**

Effective	Description
2012-10-01	Initial Release