ISO Rules

Part 300 System Reliability and Operations Division 304 Routine Operations Section 304.4 Maintaining Network Voltage



Applicability

- 1 Section 304.4 applies to:
 - (a) an operator of a generating unit;
 - (b) an operator of an aggregated facility;
 - (c) an operator of a transmission facility that is operating a controllable reactive power resource; and
 - (d) an operator of an energy storage resource.

Requirements

No Adjustments without a Directive or Instruction

- 2 The operator of a generating unit, aggregated facility, transmission facility, or energy storage resource must not adjust:
 - (a) the set point of the automatic voltage regulator or voltage regulating system;
 - (b) the on-load tap changer that is manually operated; or
 - (c) the set point or status of the controllable reactive power resource,

unless in response to a **directive** or instruction to do so, or unless first advising the **ISO** of the reason for the adjustment and obtaining approval from the **ISO** to make the adjustment.

Other Exceptions

- **3(1)** The operator of a generating unit, aggregated facility, transmission facility, or energy storage resource may, notwithstanding subsection 2:
 - (a) while connecting to the transmission system, adjust either:
 - (i) the set point of the automatic voltage regulator or voltage regulating system; or
 - (ii) the on-load tap changer,
 - to match the transmission system level voltage; or
 - (b) make any of the adjustments set out in subsection 2(a), (b) or (c) if the adjustment is required to respond to a real and substantial risk:
 - (i) of damage to its transmission facility;
 - (ii) to the safety of its employees; or
 - (iii) of undue injury to the environment;
- (2) Any operator of a generating unit, aggregated facility, transmission facility, or energy storage resource that makes an adjustment pursuant to subsection 3(1)(b) must notify the ISO of the adjustment as soon as reasonably practicable but not later than one hour after determining the need for the adjustment.

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