

NYSRC GUIDELINES ON NERC STANDARD BALLOTING

Balloting Responsibility: NYSRC Representative on the NERC Ballot Body (RBB)

1. The RBB shall regularly check for NERC notices on planned NERC standard balloting.
2. The RBB shall promptly transmit, via e-mail, a notice of planned NERC balloting to EC and RRS members. The notice will include the standard or group of standards to be balloted and a request to recommend an affirmative or negative balloting position or an abstention. The notice shall include the date by which the member's balloting recommendation(s) must be transmitted to the RBB. The notice may also include a suggested voting position or other information concerning the standards to be balloted, including NPCC comments. For negative voting recommendations, the members must provide a statement as to why the proposed standard changes should not be approved. (The RBB must include such a statement when casting a negative vote.) Without such a statement, the member's negative voting position will not be counted. Note that members may chose to provide the RBB with their proxy vote.
3. RBB Voting
 - a. After receiving timely balloting positions from NYSRC members, the RBB shall cast an affirmative, negative or abstention vote on the balloted standard or standards based on the majority positions of voting positions received. If there is a tie, the RBB shall abstain. If no voting positions are received, the RBB is free to vote based on his or her own judgement or to abstain.
 - b. The EC may vote to override the above voting position based upon input from RRS and/or the EC's independent consideration. Such action will be dependent upon time constraints imposed by NERC's balloting schedule and EC/RRS schedules.