

Supplemental GMDVA Scope and Process and Preliminary Findings

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 ERCOT presented a brief <u>GMD introduction</u> at the May 2020 RPG meeting and an <u>overview of the Benchmark</u> <u>GMDVA scope</u> at the July 2020 RPG meeting

 A draft of the Benchmark and Supplemental GMDVA Scope and Process is posted to the May 2021 RPG meeting page



Key Differences in the Supplemental GMDVA Scope from the Benchmark GMDVA

- The NERC defined geoelectric field peak amplitude for the supplemental GMD event of 12 V/km will be used across the ERCOT system
- If applicable, suggested actions resulting from thermal impact assessments for transformers with maximum effective GIC flows exceeding the 85 A/phase supplemental GMD threshold will be incorporated
 - A thermal impact assessment was required for one transformer in the 2021 Supplemental GMDVA



Supplemental GMDVA: Supplemental GMD Event Caused Outages

- Market Notice M-A062118-07 PGRR requested Resource Entities and Transmission Service Providers (TSPs) to provide a list of potential equipment that may be removed from service as a result of Protection System operation or misoperation due to harmonics that could result from the supplemental GMD event
 - Currently received submissions have been applied to the cases
 - Thermal impact assessment has been included in the preliminary analysis



Preliminary Findings and Recommendation

- Based on currently received supplemental GMD event caused outages:
 - No low voltage violations
 - No potential cascading for BES
- No proposed changes to the steady state voltage performance criteria for both the benchmark and supplemental GMDVAs



Questions?

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