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# Improving Balance in the NEPOOL Governance Process

Joint Proposal to  
**RTO Responsiveness and Governance  
Working Group**

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# Issue Outlined at March 3 Meeting

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- Current sector voting does not reflect balanced business interests.
  - Many “successful” votes ignore entire sector opposition.
- Minority voice encounters NEPOOL opposition at FERC.
  - NEPOOL filings are not transparent for minority concerns.
    - Inform participants prior to a vote.
    - Inform the FERC in filings.
  - Can require a higher FERC standard to contest.
- Interferes with balanced technical committee consideration consistent with commercial transactions – buyer & seller.

# Revised Proposal

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Additional Information: NEPOOL filing to FERC would include more information to improve transparency:

- With NEPOOL support:
  - Clear sector voting within the filing letter highlighting a minority position.
- Without NEPOOL Support:
  - Clear sector voting within the filing letter.
  - Information filing on positions and issues raised during the stakeholder process.

NEPOOL support determined through Two Tiered Voting:

- Tier 1 - Existing committee-wide vote threshold using the existing sector based voting; and,
- Tier 2 – Majority support in five of the six NEPOOL sectors.
  - i.e.: Two sectors cannot have majority opposition.

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**Questions? Comments?**

