

October 4, 2017

Doreen Friis
Regulatory Affairs Officer/Clerk
Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board
1601 Lower Water Street, 3rd Floor
P.O. Box 1692, Unit "M"
Halifax, NS B3J 3S3

Re: M08265 - North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) - Quarterly Application for Approval of Reliability Standards – 2nd Quarter, 2017 - NERC-R-17

Dear Ms. Friis:

The North American Electric Reliability Corporation ("NERC") and Northeast Power Coordinating Council, Inc. ("NPCC") hereby jointly respond to the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board's (the "Board's") letter, dated September 27, 2017, requesting additional information regarding the above-noted Application. Specifically, NERC clarifies that it is not requesting approval of any new or modified definitions in the *Glossary of Terms Used in NERC Reliability Standards* ("NERC Glossary"). The NERC Glossary was provided for informational purposes only.

Additionally, NERC and NPCC agree that Reliability Standard IRO-002-5 is not applicable in Nova Scotia, for the reasons stated in Nova Scotia Power's September 26, 2017 letter. As such, NERC hereby withdraws its request for approval of Reliability Standard IRO-002-5. NERC and NPCC also agree that the Board may rescind its prior approval of the prior version of that standard, IRO-002-4.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned should you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Damase Hebert

Damase Hebert
Senior Compliance Attorney
Northeast Power Coordinating Council, Inc.
1040 Avenue of the Americas, 10th Floor
New York, NY 10018
212-840-1070
Damase.hebert@npcc.org

/s/ Shama Elstein

Shamai Elstein
Senior Counsel
North American Electric Reliability Corporation
1325 G Street, NW, Suite 600
Washington, D.C. 20005
202-400-3009
shamai.elstein@nerc.net

3353 Peachtree Road NE
Suite 600, North Tower
Atlanta, GA 30326
404-446-2560 | www.nerc.com