

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20426  
OFFICE OF ELECTRIC RELIABILITY

North American Electric Reliability Corporation  
Docket No. RD11-3-000

May 17, 2012

North American Electric Reliability Corporation  
1325 G Street N.W., Suite 600  
Washington, D.C. 20005-3801

Attention: Holly A. Hawkins, Attorney

Reference: Compliance Filing

Dear Ms. Hawkins:

1. On November 17, 2011, the Commission issued an Order<sup>1</sup> approving Reliability Standard FAC-013-2 – Assessment of Transfer Capability for the Near-Term Transmission Planning Horizon, and directed the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) to submit a compliance filing within 60 days to (1) modify the Violation Severity Level language for Requirement R1 to correct an apparent typographical error; and (2) either (a) revise the Violation Risk Factors for FAC-013-2 Requirements R1 and R4 from a “Lower” designation to a “Medium” designation, or (b) provide additional justification for a “Lower” Violation Risk Factor designation.
2. On January 17, 2012, NERC submitted a compliance filing in response to the November 17 Order. NERC clarified the Violation Severity Level language in Requirement R1, as set out in the November 17 Order, and proposed that Requirements R1 and R4 be assigned a Violation Risk Factor of Medium.
3. Notice of this filing was issued on January 18, 2012, with comments, protests or motions to intervene due on or before February 16, 2012. No protests or adverse comments were filed.

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<sup>1</sup> *Order Approving Reliability Standard*, 137 FERC ¶ 61,131 (2011) (November 17 Order).

4. NERC's uncontested filing is accepted pursuant to the authority delegated to the Director, Office of Electric Reliability, under 18 C.F.R. § 375.303.

5. This action shall not be construed as accepting any other contingency plan pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 375.303(a)(1)(i) or any other data or report pursuant to C.F.R. § 375.303(b)(3)(iv). This action shall not be construed as approving any other application including Electric Reliability Organization or Regional Entity Rules or procedures pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 375.303(a)(2)(i). Such acceptance or approval shall not be deemed as recognition of any claimed right or obligation associated therewith; and such acceptance or approval is without prejudice to any findings or orders which have been or which may hereafter be made by the Commission in any proceeding now or pending or hereafter instituted by or against NERC.

6. This order constitutes final agency action. Requests for rehearing by the Commission may be filed within 30 days of the date of issuance of this order, pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 385.713.

Sincerely,

Joseph H. McClelland, Director  
Office of Electric Reliability

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