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TO: REGISTERED BALLOT BODY

Ladies and Gentlemen:

**Announcement: Comment Period Opens**

**The Standards Committee (SC) announces the following:**

**SAR for Balancing Authority Controls (Project 2007-05) Posted for 30-day Comment Period July 3–August 1, 2007**

This SAR for [Project 2007-05 — Balancing Authority Controls](#) proposes modifying the following standards:

- BAL-002 — Disturbance Control Performance
- BAL-004 — Time Error Correction
- BAL-005 — Automatic Generation Control
- BAL-006 — Inadvertent Interchange

The purpose of this set of standards is to ensure that Balancing Authorities take actions to maintain interconnection frequency with each Balancing Authority contributing its fair share to frequency control.

Note that the individual SARs for modifications to BAL-004, BAL-005, and BAL-006 (posted for one comment period from June 1–30, 2006) have been withdrawn and the work of the individual SARs has been expanded and incorporated into this new SAR. This SAR is intended:

- To address the directives from the FERC Final Rule “Mandatory Reliability Standards for the Bulk-Power System, FERC Order 693” relative to BAL-002, 004, 005, and 006.
- To specify the Time Error Correction, special Area Control Error cases, and Inadvertent Interchange reliability requirements/business practices with NERC and NAESB collaborative participation.
- To incorporate the necessary content, structure, and language to comply with the NERC standards process.

Please use this [comment form](#) to submit comments on this SAR.

**Standards Development Process**

The [Reliability Standards Development Procedure](#) contains all the procedures governing the standards development process. The success of the NERC standards development process depends on stakeholder participation. We extend our thanks to all those who participate. If you have any questions, please contact me at 813-468-5998 or [maureen.long@nerc.net](mailto:maureen.long@nerc.net).

Sincerely,

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