FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20426

OFFICE OF ELECTRIC RELIABILITY

North American Electric Reliability Corporation Docket No. RD10-7-000

April 19, 2010

North American Electric Reliability Corporation 1120 G Street, N.W., Suite 990 Washington, D.C. 20005-3801

Attention: Rebecca J. Michael, Attorney

Reference: Compliance Filing of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation in response to Paragraphs 143, 156, 164, 168, 173, 179, and 187 of Order No. 716

Dear Ms. Michael:

- 1. On December 18, 2009, the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) submitted a filing in compliance with paragraphs 143, 156, 164, 168, 173, 179 and 187 of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (FERC) Order No. 716¹ that required NERC to revise Violation Risk Factors (VRFs) for the NUC-001-1 - Nuclear Plant Interface Coordination Reliability Standard, Requirements R2 (from Lower to Medium), R4, R5, R7, and R8 (Medium to High), and R9 (Lower to Medium). The NERC Board of Trustees (Board) approved the proposed Reliability Standard VRF assignments on December 16, 2009.
- 2. Additionally, NERC filed for FERC approval a version 2 of the NUC-001 Reliability Standard on August 14, 2009. NERC is requesting that should FERC approve version 2 of NUC-001 l Reliability Standard, the VRFs for Requirements R2, R4.2, R4.3, R5, R7, R8 and R9 proposed in the current filing be applied to version 2 of the NUC-001 standard.

¹ Mandatory Reliability Standard for Nuclear Plant Interface Coordination, ("Order No. 716"), 125 FERC ¶ 61,065 (October 16, 2008).

- 3. Notice of this filing was issued on December 28, 2009, with comments, protests or motions to intervene due on or before January 8, 2010.
- 4. Notices of intervention and unopposed timely filed motions to intervene are granted pursuant to the operation of Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 C.F.R. § 385.214 (2008)). Any opposed or untimely filed motion to intervene is governed by the provisions of Rule 214. No interventions or comments were received.
- 5. NERC's uncontested filing is accepted pursuant to the relevant authority delegated to the Director, Office of Electric Reliability, under 18 C.F.R. § 375.314.
- 6. This action shall not be construed as accepting any other contingency plan pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 375.314(a)(1)(i) or any other data or report pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 375.314(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. § 375.314(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.
- 7. 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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