

February 15, 2007

TO: REGISTERED BALLOT BODY

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Announcement: Three 30-day Comment Periods Open

The Standards Committee (SC) announces the following standards actions:

SAR to Amend the Assess Transmission Future Needs and Develop Transmission Plans SAR Posted for 30-day Comment Period February 15–March 16, 2007

The SAR to amend the already-approved SAR for Assess Transmission Future Needs and Develop Transmission Plans (Project 2006-02) proposes to add TPL-005-0 and TPL-006-0 to the list of transmission planning standards currently addressed (TPL-001 through TPL-004), to consider issues raised by FERC and stakeholders regarding this set of standards, and to bring the entire set of standards into conformance with the ERO Rules of Procedure and the latest version of the Reliability Standards Development Procedure. Please use the comment form to provide comments on this SAR amendment.

First Standard (MOD-001-1) in the Series of ATC/TTC/AFC Revisions Posted for 30-day Comment Period February 15–March 16, 2007

The first standard modified under <u>Project 2006-07</u>, MOD-001-1 — ATC and AFC Calculation Methodologies, requires the Transmission Service Provider to document and use a single methodology for calculating ATC or AFC. The drafting team is soliciting comments on the proposed requirements before developing the measures and compliance elements. Please use the <u>comment form</u> to provide comments on this draft standard's proposed requirements.

Second Draft of SAR for Backup Facilities Posted for 30-day Comment Period February 15–March 16, 2007

The SAR for Project 2006-04 proposes modifying EOP-008-0 — Plans for Loss of Control Center Functionality. The revisions to EOP-008 focus on ensuring the continuation of functionality needed for reliable system operation regardless of the manner in which it is achieved. The modifications will consider issues raised by FERC and stakeholders about this standard, and will bring the standard into conformance with the ERO Rules of Procedure and the latest version of the Reliability Standards Development Procedure. Please use the comment form to provide comments on this SAR.

Standards Development Process

The <u>Reliability Standards Development Procedure</u> 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.

Sincerely.

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