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TO: REGISTERED BALLOT BODY

Ladies and Gentlemen:

**Announcement**  
**Ballot Windows for Version 1 Violation Risk Factors Open February 14–23, 2007**

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

**Ballot Windows Open for Seven Sets of Version 1 Violation Risk Factors**

The [ballot](#) windows for the following sets of Version 1 Violation Risk Factors are open from 8 a.m. (EST) Wednesday, February 14 through 8 p.m. (EST) Friday, February 23, 2007:

**Version 1 Violation Risk Factor Ballots**

[Critical Infrastructure Protection](#) (CIP-002-1 through CIP-009-1)

[Facility Ratings](#) (FAC-008-1 through FAC-014-1)

[Balancing and Interchange](#) (BAL-006-1, INT-001-2, INT-003-2, INT-004-1 through INT-010-1)

[Interconnection Reliability Operations](#) (IRO-014-1 through IRO-016-1)

[Modeling](#) (MOD-013-1, MOD-016-1, MOD-024-1, MOD-025-1)

[Protection and Control](#) (PRC-002-1, PRC-018-1, PRC-021-1, PRC-022-1)

[Emergency Operations, Voltage Control and Transmission Operations](#) (TOP-002-2, VAR-001-1, VAR-002-2, EOP-005-1)

Violation risk factors describe the potential reliability significance of violating each requirement, designated as a High, Medium, or Lower Risk factor. The future use of violation risk factors is described in the ERO Sanctions Guidelines, which can be found in [Appendix 4](#) of the ERO Application and in [Appendix 4b](#) of the Non-Governance Compliance Filing.

**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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