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TO: REGISTERED BALLOT BODY

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Announcement

Standards Ballot Windows for Version 0 Violation Risk Factors Open December 4–13, 2006

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

Ballot Windows Open for Nine Sets of Version 0 Violation Risk Factors

The [ballot](#) windows for the following sets of violation risk factors are open from 8 a.m. (EST) Monday, December 4 through 8 p.m. (EST) Wednesday, December 13, 2006:

Version 0 Violation Risk Factor Ballots

- V0 Risk Factors – [Protection and Control](#) (PRC-001–PRC-017)
- V0 Risk Factors – [Balance and Interchange](#) (BAL-001–BAL-006 & INT-001–INT-004)
- V0 Risk Factors – [Transmission Operations and Voltage Control](#) (TOP-001–TOP-008 & VAR-001)
- V0 Risk Factors – [Modeling](#) (MOD-001–MOD-021)
- V0 Risk Factors – [Emergency Operations](#) (EOP-00–1-EOP-009 & CIP-001)
- V0 Risk Factors – [Communications and Facilities](#) (COM-001, COM-002 & FAC-001–FAC-005)
- V0 Risk Factors – [Personnel](#) (PER-001–PER-004)
- V0 Risk Factors – [Transmission Planning](#) (TPL-001–TPL-006)
- V0 Risk Factors – [Interconnection Reliability Operations](#) (IRO-001–IRO-006)

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 [Electric Reliability Organization's \(ERO\) Sanctions Guidelines](#) that 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.

Sincerely,

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