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Re: North American Electric Reliability Corporation

Dear Mr. Dubois:


Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions concerning this filing.

Respectfully submitted,

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Enclosure
BEFORE THE
RÉGIE DE L'ÉNERGIE
THE PROVINCE OF QUÉBEC

NORTH AMERICAN ELECTRIC
RELIABILITY CORPORATION

NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF THE
NORTH AMERICAN ELECTRIC RELIABILITY CORPORATION

The North American Electric Reliability Corporation (“NERC”) hereby submits this Notice of Withdrawal of the Petition for Approval of Interpretation to Reliability Standard BAL-002-1 (Disturbance Control Performance) filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) in Docket No. RM13-6-000.¹

I. NOTICES AND COMMUNICATIONS

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¹ Petition of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation for Approval of Proposed Interpretation to BAL-002-1, Docket No. RM13-6-000 (filed Feb. 12, 2013).
II. SUPPORT FOR WITHDRAWAL

On February 12, 2013, NERC filed with FERC a proposed interpretation of BAL-002-1. On May 16, 2013, FERC issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (“BAL Interpretation NOPR”) proposing to remand the proposed interpretation, stating that, “it changes a requirement of the Reliability Standard, thereby exceeding the permissible scope for interpretations.”

Since the issuance of the BAL Interpretation NOPR, NERC developed Reliability Standard BAL-002-2 (Disturbance Control Performance - Contingency Reserve for Recovery from a Balancing Contingency Event) to supersede BAL-002-1. Reliability Standard BAL-002-2, which was adopted by the NERC Board of Trustees on November 5, 2015 and filed with this authority on February 18, 2016, obviates the need for the proposed interpretation under pending Reliability Standard BAL-002-1a.

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3 BAL Interpretation NOPR at P 1. The rulemaking on the BAL Interpretation NOPR is currently pending.