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RE: *North American Electric Reliability Corporation*

Dear Ms. Dubois:

The North American Electric Reliability Corporation (“NERC”) hereby submits Notice of Withdrawal of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation. NERC requests, to the extent necessary, a waiver of any applicable filing requirements with respect to this filing.

Please contact the undersigned if you have any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

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**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 its changes to the Transmission Operations (“TOP”) Reliability Standards and Interconnection Reliability Operations and Coordination (“IRO”) Reliability Standards submitted on April 30, 2013,¹ May 14, 2013,² and May 14, 2013.³

I. Background

On November 21, 2013, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“FERC”) issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (“TOP/IRO NOPR”)⁴ proposing to approve TOP-006-3 and remand the revised TOP and IRO Reliability Standards. In the TOP/IRO NOPR, FERC raised, among its concerns, that NERC “has removed critical reliability aspects that are included in the

¹ In that filing, NERC proposed revisions to Reliability Standard TOP-006-3 to divide the reporting responsibilities of Balancing Authorities and Transmission Operators into separate requirements.

² In that filing, NERC submitted three revised TOP Reliability Standards: TOP-001-2 (Transmission Operations), TOP-002-3 (Operations Planning), TOP-003-2 (Operational Reliability Data), and one Protection and Control (“PRC”) Reliability Standard, PRC-001-2 (System Protection Coordination) to replace the eight currently-effective TOP standards.

³ In that filing, NERC submitted four revised IRO Reliability Standards: IRO-001-3 (Responsibilities and Authorities), IRO-002-3 (Analysis Tools), IRO-005-4 (Current Day Operations), and IRO-014-2 (Coordination Among Reliability Coordinators).

⁴ *Monitoring System Conditions- Transmission Operations Reliability Standard Transmission Operations Reliability Standards Interconnection Reliability Operations and Coordination Reliability Standards*, 145 FERC ¶ 61,158 (2013) (“TOP/IRO NOPR”).

currently-effective standards without adequately addressing these aspects in the proposed standards.”⁵

II. Notices and Communications

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III. Support for Withdrawal

Since the issuance of the TOP/IRO NOPR, NERC developed revisions to the TOP and IRO Reliability Standards in Project 2014-03, which were approved by the NERC Board of Trustees on November 13, 2014 and February 11, 2015. Concurrent with this Notice to Withdraw, these revised TOP and IRO Reliability Standards have been filed with the applicable governmental authorities.

⁵ TOP/IRO NOPR at P 4.

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