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OFFICE OF ELECTRIC RELIABILITY

North American Electric Reliability Corporation Docket No. RD18-2-000

May 30, 2018

North American Electric Reliability Corporation 1325 G Street N.W., Suite 600 Washington, D.C. 20005

Attention: Shamai Elstein

Senior Counsel for North American Electric Reliability Corporation

Reference: Petition of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation and

Western Electricity Coordinating Council for Approval of Proposed

Regional Reliability Standard BAL-004-WECC-3

Dear Mr. Elstein:

On March 8, 2018, the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) and Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) filed a joint petition seeking approval of proposed regional Reliability Standard BAL-004-WECC-3 (Automatic Time Error Correction). NERC and WECC also requested approval of the associated effective date for the proposed regional Reliability Standard, violation risk factors and violation severity levels, as well as retirement of currently-effective regional Reliability Standard BAL-004-WECC-3 seeks to maintain Interconnection frequency and to ensure that time error corrections and primary inadvertent interchange payback are effectively conducted in a manner that does not adversely affect the reliability of the Western Interconnection.¹

NERC's filing was noticed on March 13, 2018, with interventions, comments and protests due on or before April 12, 2018. Southern California Edison filed a timely motion to intervene, raising no issues.

¹ Petition at 1.

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NERC's uncontested filing is hereby approved pursuant to the relevant authority delegated to the Director, Office of Electric Reliability under 18 C.F.R. § 375.303 (2017), effective as of the date of this order.

This action shall not be construed as approving any other application, including proposed revisions of Electric Reliability Organization or Regional Entity rules or procedures pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 375.303(a)(2)(i). Such action shall not be deemed as recognition of any claimed right or obligation associated therewith and such action is without prejudice to any findings or orders that have been or may hereafter be made by the Commission in any proceeding now pending or hereafter instituted by or against the Electric Reliability Organization or any Regional Entity.

This order constitutes final agency action. Requests for rehearing by the Commission may be filed within 30 days of the date of issuance of this order, pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 385.713 (2017).

Sincerely,

David Ortiz, Acting Director Office of Electric Reliability

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