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## OFFICE OF ELECTRIC RELIABILITY

North American Electric Reliability Corporation Docket No. RD18-9-000

November 21, 2018

North American Electric Reliability Corporation 3353 Peachtree Road, N.E., Suite 600, North Tower Atlanta, GA 30326

Attention: Nina Jenkins-Johnston

Senior Counsel for North American Electric Reliability Corporation

Reference: Petition of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation for

Approval of Proposed Reliability Standard PER-003-2 and Retirement of

Reliability Standard PER-004-2

Dear Ms. Jenkins-Johnston:

On July 23, 2018, the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) filed a petition seeking approval of proposed Reliability Standard PER-003-2 (Operating Personnel Credentials) and retirement of currently-effective Reliability Standards PER-003-1 and PER-004-2 (Reliability Coordination – Staffing).

The requirements in proposed Reliability Standard PER-003-2 remain unchanged from currently-effective Reliability Standard PER-003-1. The only proposed modification is to add a footnote to each of the requirements stating: "The NERC certificates referenced in this standard pertain to those certificates identified in the NERC System Operator Certification Program Manual." This footnote provides context for the references to NERC "certificates" in Requirements R1, R2 and R3.

With respect to the proposed retirement of Reliability Standard PER-004-2, NERC states that Reliability Standard PER-004-2 contains two requirements that are redundant with other Commission-approved Reliability Standards.

NERC's filing was noticed on September 20, 2018, with interventions, comments and protests due on or before October 22, 2018. No comments were received.

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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 (2018), 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 (2018).

Sincerely,

J. Andrew Dodge, Sr., Director Office of Electric Reliability

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