

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
BEFORE THE
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION**

North American Electric Reliability Corporation)

Docket Nos. RD11-13-000

**INFORMATIONAL FILING OF THE
NORTH AMERICAN ELECTRIC RELIABILITY CORPORATION
REGARDING THE DEFINITION OF PROTECTION SYSTEM**

The North American Electric Reliability Corporation (“NERC”)¹ hereby submits an informational filing regarding the implementation of the modification to the definition of “Protection System” in the Glossary of Terms Used in NERC Reliability Standards (“Glossary”) as accepted by the Commission on February 3, 2012.² As noted in the implementation plan for the revised definition of Protection System, two Commission-approved Reliability Standards, NUC-001 -- Nuclear Plant Interface Coordination³ and PRC-001 -- System Protection Coordination,⁴ were impacted by the revised term.

Consistent with the Commission’s approval, NERC hereby clarifies that these Reliability Standards have been modified to reflect this revision (*i.e.*, the term “Protection System” is capitalized to reflect that this is now a defined term in the Reliability Standards), and the

¹ The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission certified NERC as the electric reliability organization (“ERO”) in its order issued on July 20, 2006, in Docket No. RR06-1-000. *North American Electric Reliability Corporation*, 116 FERC ¶ 61,062 (2006).

² *North American Electric Reliability Corporation*, 138 FERC ¶ 61,095 (2012).

³ Available here: [http://www.nerc.com/layouts/PrintStandard.aspx?standardnumber=NUC-001-2.1&title=Nuclear Plant Interface Coordination](http://www.nerc.com/layouts/PrintStandard.aspx?standardnumber=NUC-001-2.1&title=Nuclear%20Plant%20Interface%20Coordination). The retirement of certain Requirements in NUC-001-2 is currently pending as part of the Paragraph 81 Project in Docket No. RM13-8-000.

⁴ Available here: [http://www.nerc.com/layouts/PrintStandard.aspx?standardnumber=PRC-001-1.1&title=System Protection Coordination&jurisdiction=United States](http://www.nerc.com/layouts/PrintStandard.aspx?standardnumber=PRC-001-1.1&title=System%20Protection%20Coordination&jurisdiction=United%20States). Revisions to PRC-001 are currently pending in as part of the Petition for approval of Project 2007-03 — Real-time Transmission Operations — TOP-001-2, TOP-002-3, TOP-003-2 and PRC-001-2, in Docket No. RM13-14-000.

numbering of the affected standards has been incremented.⁵ NERC is not requesting any Commission action on the instant filing. NERC respectfully requests that the Commission accept this filing for informational purposes only.

Respectfully submitted,
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⁵ The NERC Standards Committee approved the implementation of these modifications as errata changes at its April 11-12, 2012 meeting. *See* http://www.nerc.com/comm/SC/Agendas%20Highlights%20and%20Minutes%20DL/sc_20120411m_package.pdf.