

August 30, 2013

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, NE Washington, D.C. 20426

Change of Address in the NERC Rules of Procedure, Docket No. RR13-__-000 Re:

Dear Ms. Bose:

The North American Electric Reliability Corporation ("NERC"), pursuant to § 215(f) of the Federal Power Act¹ ("FPA") and 18 C.F.R. § 39.10, respectfully requests waiver of applicable Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC" or the "Commission") rules, orders and regulations and NERC Rules of Procedure and Bylaws to update or delete, as discussed below, NERC's address in its Rules of Procedure.

NERC has now closed its former Princeton, NJ location. NERC's headquarters are located in Atlanta Georgia. NERC's Princeton address appears in five places in the NERC Rules of Procedure. These include the cover sheets of five Appendices to NERC's Rules of Procedure: Appendix 3B, Procedures for Election of Members of the Standards Committee, Appendix 3D, Registered Ballot Body Criteria, Appendix 4A, Audit of Regional Entity Compliance Programs, Appendix 4E, Compliance and Certification Committee Hearing Procedures, Hearing Procedures for Use in Appeals, and Mediation Procedures, and Appendix 5A, Organization Registration and Certification Manual. In addition, the Princeton address appears in the body of Appendix 5A at Section V for the submittal of registration appeals.

NERC seeks approval to delete the Princeton address and telephone numbers from the cover page footers of Appendices 3B, 3D, 4A, 4E, and 5A and to update it in Appendix 5A at Section V to include NERC's Atlanta address set forth in the footer of this filing. A copy of revised Section V in Appendix 5A is attached. These changes are necessary and appropriate to ensure proper notice is given to NERC. Accordingly, NERC urges the Commission to act expeditiously to approve the instant filing.

Respectfully submitted,

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¹ 16 U.S.C. § 824o(f).

Attachment A

Section V — NERC Organization Registration Appeals Process

Purpose and Scope

This section describes the process that any organization may appeal its listing and functional assignment on the NCR.

Overview

NERC has established documented procedures to ensure a fair and impartial appeals process. No one with a direct interest in a dispute may participate in the appeals process except as a party or witness. See Figure 3, *Organization Registration Appeals Process Overview*.

Organization Registration Appeals Procedure

Any Registered Entity included on the NCR may challenge its listing and functional assignments with NERC.

1. All registration appeals must be filed in writing to NERC, via registered mail. Appeals are sent to:

Compliance Operations 3353 Peachtree Road NE Suite 600, North Tower Atlanta, GA 30326 Main: (404) 446-2560 Facsimile: (404) 446-2595

2. Each party in the appeals process shall pay its own expenses for each step in the process.

- 3. A stipulation of invoking the appeals process is that the Regional Entity or Registered Entity requesting the appeal agrees that NERC (its Members, Board of Trustees, committees, subcommittees, and staff), any person assisting in the appeals process, and any company employing a person assisting in the appeals process, shall not be liable for, and shall be held harmless against the consequences of or any action or inaction or of any agreement reached in resolution of the dispute or any failure to reach agreement as a result of the appeals proceeding. This "hold harmless" clause does not extend to matters constituting gross negligence, intentional misconduct, or a breach of confidentiality.
- 4. Parties retain the right to seek further review of a decision in whatever regulatory agency or court that may have jurisdiction.
- 5. All appeals must be received within 21 Days of receipt of the NERC letter informing the entity that it is listed on the NCR. The appeal must state why the Registered Entity believes it should not be registered based on the NERC Rules of Procedure and the *NERC Statement of Compliance Registry Criteria*.