

## Minutes Board of Trustees

May 13, 2016 | 1:00–2:00 p.m. Eastern

Conference Call

### Call to Order and Chair's Remarks

Frederick W. Gorbet, Chair, called to order the duly noticed open meeting of the Board of Trustees ("Board") of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation ("NERC") on May 13, 2016, at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time, and a quorum was declared present. The agenda is attached as **Exhibit A**.

Present at the meeting were:

#### Board Members:

Frederick W. Gorbet, Chair  
Paul F. Barber  
Gerald W. Cauley, President and Chief Executive Officer  
Robert G. Clarke  
David Goulding  
George Hawkins  
Kenneth G. Peterson  
Roy Thilly

#### NERC Staff:

Tina Buzzard, Associate Director  
Thomas Coleman, Director, Reliability Assessments  
Brad Gordon, Manager of Reliability Performance Analysis  
Holly Hawkins, Associate General Counsel  
Mark G. Lauby, Senior Vice President and Chief Reliability Officer  
Sonia Mendonca, Vice President of Enforcement and Deputy General Counsel  
Janet Sena, Senior Vice President and Director of Policy and External Affairs  
Poojah Shah, Senior Engineer

### NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines

Mr. Gorbet directed the participants' attention to the NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines included with the advance meeting materials.

### Chair's Remarks

Mr. Gorbet noted the receipt of a letter from the Foundation for Resilient Societies, requesting that NERC distribute a draft of the 2016 State of Reliability Report in advance of this meeting, arguing that to not do so was inconsistent with NERC's Rules of Procedure and Bylaws. The Board received advice from NERC's General Counsel that such an advance distribution is not required by the NERC Bylaws or

the Rules of Procedure. Mr. Gorbet noted that the Report, as accepted by the Board, will be public, and interested parties are invited to provide commentary on the Report and any information contained therein.

### **Potential Reliability Impacts of EPA's Clean Power Plan Phase II**

Mr. Gorbet thanked the working group and NERC staff for an excellent report, and requested that in the future, Trustees submit comments in advance of the Board meeting to allow staff to more effectively respond to the comments. Referencing the advance agenda materials, Mr. Coleman discussed the purposes of the report, and that it will provide a foundation for future analysis of essential reliability services. He thanked the industry volunteers who worked on the report, and noted the comments from Trustees that will be reflected in the final report. Mr. Coleman also discussed the outreach efforts that will accompany the report. He reviewed the overall structure of the report and key considerations set forth therein. He also reviewed follow-on work that will occur after release of the report.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board accepted the report and endorsed its publication.

### **Short-Term Special Assessment: Operational Risk Assessment with High Penetration of Natural Gas-Fired Generation**

Ms. Shah presented the report, referencing the advance agenda materials. Mr. Gorbet thanked the groups and NERC staff that worked on the report. The Board discussed the report and findings. It was noted this type of report was more valuable than the previous seasonal reports.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board accepted the report and endorsed its publication.

### **2016 State of Reliability Report**

Mr. Gordon presented the report, referencing the advance agenda materials. Mr. Gorbet recognized the work in preparing the report. The Board discussed the report, including specific comments and its overall purpose.

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Board accepted the report and endorsed its publication.

Mr. Lauby reviewed the publication schedule for the reports.

### **Adjournment**

There being no further business, and upon motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by,



Sonia Mendonca  
Secretary of the Meeting