

Re: Management Response to 2020 Business Plan and Budget (BP&B) Draft 2 Comments

Date: August 7, 2019

The deadline for comments on the second draft of NERC's 2020 BP&B ended on July 31, 2019. Comments were submitted by the Cooperative Sector and the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO). The Cooperative Sector's comments were supportive of the second draft of NERC's 2020 budget and efforts to stabilize costs outside of the Electricity Information Sharing and Analysis Center (E-ISAC). The Cooperative Sector also noted the expectation that the combined NERC and E-ISAC budget should trend toward a more flat result after the full implementation of the *E-ISAC Long-Term Strategic Plan* in 2022. IESO expressed appreciation for NERC's efforts to respond to concerns regarding potential redundancies between the services the E-ISAC provides and those being provided by other agencies in Canada. IESO specifically acknowledged the development of a pilot collaboration agreement between NERC and IESO for cyber security information sharing.

We appreciate the comments received and stakeholders' continuing support of NERC's mission, particularly regarding the work of the E-ISAC and the implementation of its long-term strategy and engagement and collaboration efforts with Canada. NERC encourages stakeholders' continued participation in the BP&B process during its development of the 2021 budget.

Sincerely,



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