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TO: REGISTERED BALLOT BODY

Ladies and Gentlemen:

**Announcement: Comment Periods Open**

**The Standards Committee (SC) announces the following standards actions:**

**EOP-005-2 — System Restoration and Blackstart – Operations and EOP-006-2 — System Restoration and Blackstart — Coordination Standards Posted for 45-day Comment Period**

The first drafts of the revisions to the set of [System Restoration and Blackstart Standards](#) (Project 2006-03) have been posted for a 45-day comment period from August 15, 2007 through September 28, 2007.

The proposed revisions update and move requirements from four standards into two standards as shown below:

Existing Approved Standards	Proposed Revised Standards
EOP-005-1 — System Restoration Plans	EOP-005-2 — System Restoration and Blackstart - Operations
EOP-006-1 — Reliability Coordination — System Restoration	EOP-006-2 — System Restoration and Blackstart — Coordination
EOP-007-0 — Establish, Maintain, and Document a Regional Blackstart Capability Plan	(merged into EOP-005-2 and EOP-006-2)
EOP-009-0 — Documentation of Blackstart Generating Unit Test Results	(merged into EOP-005-2 and EOP-006-2)

The proposed revised standards include many significant changes, including re-assignment of requirements that had been assigned to the Regional Reliability Organization, identification of the specific elements that must be contained in a system restoration plan, and the introduction of a new term “blackstart resource” along with a recommendation to retire the term “blackstart capability plan.”

Please use this [comment form](#) to submit comments on EOP-005-2 and EOP-006-2.

**PER-005-1 — System Personnel Training Standard and Implementation Plan Posted for 45-day Comment Period**

The second draft of PER-005-1 — [System Personnel Training](#) (Project 2006-01) has been posted along with its implementation plan, and references to aid in implementing the standard. The drafting team has made significant changes to the standard in response to stakeholder comments. The revised requirements focus more specifically on the reliability objective of the standard which is to ensure that

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system operators performing real-time, reliability-related tasks on the North American bulk electric system are competent to perform those reliability related tasks.

Please use this [comment form](#) to submit comments on the second draft of PER-005-1.

### **Standards Development Process**

The [Reliability Standards Development Procedure](#) contains all the procedures governing the standards development process. The success of the NERC standards development process depends on stakeholder participation. We extend our thanks to all those who participate. If you have any questions, please contact me at 813-468-5998 or [maureen.long@nerc.net](mailto:maureen.long@nerc.net).

Sincerely,

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