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TO: REGISTERED BALLOT BODY

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Announcement: Comment Period Opens

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

SAR and Draft Standards for Available Transfer Capability (Project 2006-07) Posted for 30-day Comment Period May 25–June 24, 2007

To fully address the directives in FERC Orders 890 and 693 relative to Available Transfer Capability (ATC), a "[Supplemental ATC SAR](#)" has been posted for a 30-day comment period. Please use the [comment form](#) to provide comments on this SAR.

The [ATC Standard](#) Drafting Team has posted a set of requirements distributed amongst six standards aimed at meeting the intent of the originally approved SARs for ATC/TTC/AFC and CBM/TRM as well as the directives in FERC Orders 890 and 693. The drafting team also posted a [white paper](#) that explains the following proposed organization of the revised set of standards:

- There is one "umbrella" standard with requirements related to ATC ([MOD-001](#) and [comment form](#))
- There are three separate standards to address the determination of ATC, with each also addressing associated requirements for TTC and ETC:
 - Network Response method of calculating ATC ([MOD-028](#) and [comment form](#))
 - Rated System Path method of calculating ATC ([MOD-029](#) and [comment form](#))
 - Flowgate Network Response method of calculating ATC ([MOD-030](#) and [comment form](#))
- There is a separate standard to address Capacity Benefit Margin ([MOD-004](#) and [comment form](#))
- There is a separate standard to address Transmission Reliability Margin ([MOD-008](#) and [comment form](#)).

Because the modifications made to the standards are so extensive, no "redline" versions of the standards have been developed. The versions of the standards that have been posted contain only requirements — there are no measures or compliance elements. Once there is consensus on the requirements, the drafting team will add measures and compliance elements. Please use the comment forms posted with the proposed standards to provide comments on this set of standards.

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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.

Sincerely,

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