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To: North American Electricity Reliability Corporation (NERC)

Subject: Review of <u>FAC-501-WECC-1</u> (FAC)

WECC-0089

Transmission Maintenance

WECC Regional Reliability Standard (RRS)

On January 21, 2014, a copy of this RRS was circulated to the WECC Operating Issues Work Group (OIWG) in preparation for a cyclical review of that WECC Standard. At its core, this RRS requires that specific Transmission Owners develop, implement, and annually review their Transmission Maintenance Inspection Plan, to include enumerated items listed in this RRS's Attachment A.

On February 13, 2014, the OIWG conducted an open webinar to review this RRS. Discussions were structured around the NERC-provided Periodic Review Template. At the close of the meeting the OIWG reached consensus that no changes were needed; however, in an effort to further reinforce that conclusion, the OIWG provided additional time to review this RRS with subject matter experts not in attendance.

On February 21, 2014, the OIWG conducted a follow-up webinar on the matter resulting in a unanimous recommendation that no changes to this RRS are warranted as a result of its review.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Glenn Rounds, Chair, WECC Operating Issues Work Group