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NORTH AMERICAN ELECTRIC RELIABILITY CORPORATION

## **Implementation Plan**

Dispersed Generation Resources PRC-004-2.1(i)a(<del>X)</del>

Standards Involved Approval:

> PRC-004-2.1(i)a(X) – Protection System Misoperation Identification and Correction

The standard version number currently include an (X) to indicate the version numbering will be updated. PRC-004 has been substantively revised in Project 2010-05.1 concurrently with these revisions that address applicability to dispersed generation resources in this project. Depending on factors such as the timing of respective approvals in each project, NERC will assign the appropriate version number prior to BOT adoption.

Retirement:

• PRC-004-2.1a – Protection System Misoperation Identification and Correction

**Prerequisite Approvals:** N/A

#### Background

In light of the adoption of a revised Bulk Electric System definition by the NERC Board of Trustees, changes to the applicability sections of certain Reliability Standards, including PRC-004, are necessary to align with the implementation of the revised Bulk Electric System definition. The Standard Drafting Team (SDT) for Project 2014-01 – Standards Applicability for Dispersed Power Producing Resources has modified the applicability section or requirements of certain standards applicable to Generator Owners and Generator Operators to recognize the unique technical and reliability aspects of dispersed generation in order to ensure the applicability of the standards is consistent with the reliable operation of the Bulk Power System.

#### **General Considerations**

PRC-004-2.1(i)a(X) is proposed for approval to align the applicability section of PRC-004-2.1a with the revised definition of Bulk Electric System. Given the timing of concurrent standards development of PRC projects, PRC-004-2.1a may already be retired pursuant to an Implementation Plan of a successor version of PRC-004 by the time the revised definition of Bulk Electric System becomes effective for all entities. If this occurs, PRC-004-2.1(i)a(X) will not go into effect.

#### **Effective Date**

PRC-004-2.1(i)a(X) shall become effective immediately after the standard is approved by an applicable governmental authority or as otherwise provided for in a jurisdiction where approval by an applicable governmental authority is required for a standard to go into effect. Where approval by an applicable governmental authority is not required, the standard shall become effective on the first day of the first

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calendar quarter after the date the standard is adopted by the NERC Board of Trustees or as otherwise provided for in that jurisdiction.

#### **Retirement of Existing Standards:**

The existing standard, PRC-004-2.1a, shall be retired at midnight of the day immediately prior to the Effective Date of PRC-004-2.1(i)a(X).

#### Applicability:

This standard applies to the following functional entities:

- Transmission Owner
- Generator Owner
- Distribution Provider