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TO: REGISTERED BALLOT BODY

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Announcement: Initial Ballot Window Opens August 20, 2007

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

Initial Ballot Window for the First Phase of Changes to IRO-006 — Reliability Coordination — Transmission Loading Relief Opens August 20, 2007

Project 2006-08 involves revising reliability standard IRO-006 — Reliability Coordination — <u>Transmission Loading Relief</u>. The work is divided into three phases, and this initial ballot addresses only the first phase of work — ensuring the division of the reliability and commercial aspects of IRO-006 continue to meet the needs of the industry and the addition of measures, compliance elements, and other standard components to meet the requirements of the NERC Reliability Standards Development Procedure. Future phases of work will address the MISO/PJM/SPP congestion management process, and overall improvements to the clarity of the standard.

The initial <u>ballot</u> for the first phase of changes to IRO-006 will open at 8 a.m. (EDT) on Monday, August 20, 2007 and will close at 8 p.m. (EDT) on Wednesday, August 29, 2007.

Standards Development Process

The <u>Reliability Standards Development Procedure</u> 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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