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TO: REGISTERED BALLOT BODY

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Announcement: Comment Period Opens for Transmission Relay Loadability Standard; Nomination Period Opens for IROL Standard Drafting Team

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

Transmission Relay Loadability Standard (January 9–February 7, 2007)

The <u>Transmission Relay Loadability</u> Standard Drafting Team posted the second draft of its standard for a 30-day comment period from January 9 through February 7, 2007. This standard codifies the relay loadability criteria embodied in the NERC Recommendation 8a, *Improve System Protection to Slow or Limit the Spread of Future Cascading Outages*, and U.S.–Canada Power System Outage Task Force Recommendation 21A, *Make More Effective and Wider Use of System Protection Measures*. Please use the <u>comment form</u> to provide comments on this standard.

Nominations for Operate within Interconnection Reliability Operating Limits Standard Drafting Team (January 9–19, 2007)

The Standards Committee is seeking additional industry experts to serve on the existing Operate within <u>Interconnection Reliability Operating Limits</u> (IROLs) Standard Drafting Team. This set of standards addresses the Reliability Coordinator's preparations and actions relative to IROLs. If you are interested in serving on this team, please complete this <u>nomination form</u> and return it to Richard Schneider (<u>Richard.schneider@nerc.net</u>) no later than January 19, 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 <u>maureen.long@nerc.net</u>.

Sincerely,

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