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TO: REGISTERED BALLOT BODY

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Announcement: Comment Periods Open for SAR to Modify Vegetation Management, SAR for Reliability Coordination and SAR and Standard to Modify Facility Ratings Standards

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

SAR to Modify the Vegetation Management Standard FAC-003-1 Posted for 30-day Comment Period January 15–February 14, 2007

The SAR for [Project 2007-07](#) proposes modifying the Vegetation Management standard FAC-003-1 to address concerns raised by FERC and stakeholders and to bring the standard into conformance with the ERO Rules of Procedure and the latest version of the *Reliability Standards Development Procedure*. Please use the [comment form](#) to provide comments on this SAR.

SAR to Modify the Reliability Coordinator Standards Posted for 30-day Comment Period January 15–February 14, 2007

The SAR for [Project 2006-06](#) proposes retiring, modifying, or adding to existing requirements for the reliability coordinator to ensure that the complete set of requirements addresses all the processes, procedures, plans, tools, and authorities the reliability coordinator needs to support the reliable operation of the interconnected bulk power systems. This project involves addressing concerns raised by FERC and stakeholders and also involves bringing the set of standards into conformance with the ERO Rules of Procedure and the latest version of the *Reliability Standards Development Procedure*. Please use the [comment form](#) to provide comments on this SAR.

SAR and Standard to Modify the Facility Ratings Standards Posted for 45-day Comment Period January 15–February 28, 2007

The SAR for [Project 2006-09](#) proposes modifying two Facility Ratings standards, FAC-008-1 and FAC-009-1, to address concerns raised by FERC and stakeholders and to bring the standard into conformance with the ERO Rules of Procedure and the latest version of the *Reliability Standards Development Procedure*. Because there were relatively few technical changes recommended for this set of standards, the revised standard, which combines FAC-008-1 and FAC-009-1, is posted for comment along with an implementation plan. Please use the [comment form](#) to provide comments on this SAR, standard and implementation plan.

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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