

July 30, 2012

Ms. Kimberly D. Bose
Secretary
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
888 First Street, N.E.
Washington, D.C. 20426

RE: Informational Filing in Compliance with Order No. 758 – Interpretation of Protection System Reliability Standard, Docket No. RM10-5-000

Dear Ms. Bose,

On February 3, 2012, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (“Commission”) issued Order No. 758, approving the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (“NERC”) interpretation of Requirement R1 of Commission-approved Reliability Standard PRC-005-1 — Transmission and Generation Protection System Maintenance and Testing.¹

In Order No. 758, the Commission also accepted NERC’s commitments to address the concerns in the Protection System Maintenance and Testing standard within the Reliability Standards development process, and directed NERC to file, by July 30, 2012, either a completed project, or an informational filing providing “a schedule for how NERC will address such issues in the Project 2007-17 reinitiated efforts.”²

This informational filing is submitted in compliance with Order No. 758. On May 10, 2012, the NERC Standards Committee approved a Standard Authorization Request to revise Reliability Standard PRC-005 to address the maintenance and testing of reclosing relays in NERC Project 2007-17.

The NERC Standards Committee noted that PRC-005-2 is in the final stages of the development process, having passed successive ballot with 79 percent approval on June 27, 2012. NERC staff anticipates that PRC-005-2 will be presented for approval at the November NERC Board of Trustees meeting. Therefore, in recognition of the consensus that has been reached, the NERC Standards Committee determined that the drafting team should complete work on PRC-005-2 currently under development and immediately thereafter begin work on the necessary revisions to address reclosing relays, which would be reflected in a to be proposed PRC-005-3.

¹ *Interpretation of Protection System Reliability Standard*, 138 FERC ¶ 61,094 (2012), (“Order No. 758”).

² Order No. 758 at fn 37.

The revised schedule for Project 2007-17 is provided herein as **Attachment A**. NERC intends to proceed in accordance with the Project 2007-17 schedule.

Sincerely,

/s/ Willie L. Phillips

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ATTACHMENT A

NERC Proposed Project 2007-17 Schedule to Revise Reliability Standard PRC-005 to Address the Maintenance and Testing of Reclosing Relays in Compliance with Order No. 758

January 2013	Standard Drafting Team continues work revising PRC-005 standard to address reclosing relays
April-May 2013	Initial draft PRC-005 standard posted for industry comment
July-August 2013	Revised draft PRC-005 standard posted for industry comment and initial ballot
October-November 2013	Revised PRC-005 standard posted for successive ballot
January 2014	Revised PRC-005 standard posted for successive ballot
March 2014	Revised PRC-005 standard posted for recirculation ballot
May 2014	Proposed PRC-005 standard submitted for NERC Board of Trustees approval
July 2014	Petition for approval of PRC-005 filed with FERC