

# NORTH AMERICAN ELECTRIC RELIABILITY COUNCIL

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

#### REVISED Announcement of NERC Standards Actions — January 17, 2006

The Standard Authorization Committee has taken the following standards actions:

### **Proposed Standards Posted for Pre-ballot Review**

The proposed <u>cyber security</u> and <u>coordinate interchange</u> standards have been posted for a 30-day preballot review through February 15, 2006. Balloting of this group of proposed standards is expected to begin February 17, 2006. Members of the registered ballot body who wish to vote on this group of proposed standards must join the <u>ballot pool</u> prior to the commencement of the balloting.

#### **Proposed Standards Posted for Comment**

The proposed standards on <u>balancing authority</u>, <u>reliability coordinator</u>, and <u>transmission operator</u> certification have been posted for a 30-day comment period through February 15, 2006. Please use the comment form (balancing authority, reliability coordinator, transmission operator) to provide any comments on these proposed standards.

#### **SARs Posted for Comment**

- O A SAR on <u>relay loadability</u> has been posted for a 30-day comment period through February 15, 2006. This SAR addresses Recommendation 21a of the U.S.-Canada Power System Outage Task Force and NERC Blackout Recommendation 8a, regarding the interaction and operation of relays and protection systems during power system transients. Please use this <u>comment form</u> to provide any comments on this SAR.
- O A SAR on <u>fuel supply or delivery disruption reporting</u> has been posted for a 30-day comment period through February 15, 2006. This SAR proposes to develop a standard to require the reporting of fuel supply or delivery disruptions that cause a change in the status of the availability of any unit. Please use this <u>comment form</u> to provide any comments on this SAR.

## **Drafting Team Nominations**

The Standard Authorization Committee is soliciting drafting team members to help the SAR requesters respond to stakeholder comments received on each of the three SARs listed above. If you are interested in volunteering for one or more of these SAR drafting teams, please submit the nomination form, available through the hotlinks for each SAR, by February 1, 2006.

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## **Standards Development Process**

The NERC posting and balloting procedures are described in the <u>Reliability Standards Process Manual</u>, which contains all the procedures governing the standards development process. NERC follows this process, which is approved by the American National Standards Institute, to develop its standards and strives to address all comments submitted during the development of a standard. Stakeholders who feel their comments are not satisfactorily addressed have the option to appeal. A detailed explanation of the appeals process appears on page 23 of the manual.

The value and usefulness of the NERC reliability standards depend on the input of industry experts and all reliability stakeholders. Thank you for participating in the development of NERC reliability standards.

Please send questions to Mark Ladrow at <a href="mark.ladrow@nerc.net">mark.ladrow@nerc.net</a>, or call 609-452-8060.

Sincerely,

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