

November 4, 2024

To: Registered Entities

From: ITCS Project Team

Re: Letter 3 - Collaborative Study on Interregional Power Transfer - Seeking Your Input

The North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) would like your input on NERC's *Interregional Transfer Capability Study* (ITCS). This study was congressionally mandated in the Fiscal Responsibility Act of 2023 and focuses on three primary goals:

- 1. Evaluating the current transfer capability between each pair of neighboring transmission planning regions.
- 2. Recommending prudent additions to the total transfer capability to help maintain reliability in the future.
- 3. Proposing recommendations to meet and maintain the current total transfer capability and total transfer capability enhanced by the prudent addition recommendations.

Throughout this past year of development, NERC has incorporated transmitting utility and other stakeholder feedback into the study documents, where applicable, which were gathered from letter responses – additional letters were sent on <u>February 9 and September 24</u>, ITCS Advisory Group public meetings, and other stakeholder outreach.

Three draft ITCS documents have been released and can be found on the <u>ITCS web page</u>. Consistent with prior letter requests, please review these documents and provide any feedback:

- ITCS Overview of Study Need and Approach (published June 2024)
- ITCS Part 1 Transfer Capability Analysis (published August 2024)
- ITCS Parts 2 and 3 Prudent Addition Recommendations (published November 2024)

These three drafts will be consolidated into a final report that must be filed with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission no later than December 2. A FERC comment period will follow. Any feedback is kindly requested by November 12, 2024 to facilitate timely consideration for the final report.

While no action or comments are required in response to this letter, we encourage you to review and provide any input through your respective Regional Entity or via NERC.

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Since the start of the ITCS project in June 2023, the project team shared documents and updates, hosted public meetings and provided opportunities for stakeholder input into the ITCS. All documents have been posted on the ITCS web page, including those of the ITCS Advisory Group, which is comprised of industry leaders and experts from both public and private organizations across the United States and Canada.

We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to share your insights, which are invaluable in ensuring the reliability and resiliency of our bulk power system. Thank you in advance for your time and input.

Regards,

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