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OFFICE OF ELECTRIC RELIABILITY

North American Electric Reliability Corporation
Docket No. RD24-6-000

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North American Electric Reliability Corporation
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Washington, D.C. 20005

Attention: Lauren A. Perotti
Counsel for North American Electric Reliability Corporation

Reference: Petition of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation for
Approval of New and Revised Definitions of Terms Used in Reliability
Standards

Dear Ms. Perotti:

On March 8, 2024, the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) filed a petition for Commission approval, pursuant to section 215(d)(1) of the Federal Power Act (FPA)¹ and section 39.5 of the Commission's regulations,² proposing two new, 30 modified, and four retired definitions of terms related to the calculation of Reporting Area Control Error (Reporting ACE), for inclusion in the *Glossary of Terms Used in NERC Reliability Standards*.³ NERC also seeks approval of the proposed implementation plan under which all the proposed defined terms would become effective the first day of the first calendar quarter that is 12 months after regulatory approval.

NERC explains that it developed the proposed defined terms to improve the definition of Reporting ACE "to improve long-term average frequency performance as

¹ 16 U.S.C. § 824o.

² 18 C.F.R. § 39.5 (2023).

³ See NERC, *Glossary of Terms Used in NERC Reliability Standards*, 21 (Apr. 2024), [https://www.nerc.com/pa/Stand/Glossary of Terms/Glossary_of_Terms.pdf](https://www.nerc.com/pa/Stand/Glossary%20of%20Terms/Glossary_of_Terms.pdf).

well as allow other Interconnections beyond the Western Interconnection the ability to pursue an automatic time error correction control methodology or similar functions.”⁴ NERC adds that, during this process, the drafting team identified the opportunity to further clarify and improve upon other related NERC Glossary terms.⁵

NERC’s filing was noticed on March 11, 2024, with interventions, comments and protests due on or before April 10, 2024. There were no comments or protests. Ameren Services Company filed a motion to intervene.

NERC’s uncontested petition is hereby approved pursuant to the relevant authority delegated to the Director of the Office of Electric Reliability under 18 C.F.R. § 375.303. The new and revised definitions shall become effective the first day of the first calendar quarter that is 12 months after regulatory approval.⁶ The currently effective definitions of the revised defined terms, as well as the defined terms Disturbance Control Standard, Net Interchange Schedule, Net Scheduled Interchange, and Reportable Disturbance shall be retired immediately prior to the effective date of the revised definitions.⁷

This action shall not be construed as approving any other application, including proposed revisions of Electric Reliability Organization or Regional Entity rules or procedures pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 375.303(a)(2)(i). Such action shall not be deemed as recognition of any claimed right or obligation associated therewith and such action is without prejudice to any findings or orders that have been or may hereafter be made by the Commission in any proceeding now pending or hereafter instituted by or against the Electric Reliability Organization or any Regional Entity.

This order constitutes final agency action. Requests for rehearing by the Commission may be filed within 30 days of the date of issuance of this order, pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 385.713.

Sincerely,

David Ortiz, Director
Office of Electric Reliability

⁴ NERC Petition at 2.

⁵ *Id.*

⁶ *Id.*, Exhibit B (Implementation Plan) at 4.

⁷ *Id.* at 5.