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OFFICE OF ELECTRIC RELIABILITY

North American Electric Reliability Corporation  
Docket No. RD21-1-000

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

Attention: Lauren A. Perotti, Senior Counsel  
North American Electric Reliability Corporation  
Steve Goodwill, Senior Vice President of Reliability and Security  
Oversight, General Counsel, and Corporate Secretary  
Western Electricity Coordinating Council

Reference: Joint Petition of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation and  
Western Electricity Coordinating Council for Approval of Proposed  
Reliability Standard PRC-006-5

Dear Ms. Perotti and Mr. Goodwill:

On October 27, 2020, the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) and Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) filed a joint petition seeking approval of proposed Reliability Standard PRC-006-5 (Automatic Underfrequency Load Shedding).

Proposed Reliability Standard PRC-006-5 includes revisions to the WECC regional Variance that clarify applicability of continent-wide requirements to entities in the Western Interconnection and clarify the applicability of the WECC regional Variance to Planning Coordinators. The continent-wide requirements were not changed substantively from Reliability Standard PRC-006-4. The WECC regional Variance complements the continent-wide system performance levels by requiring further coordination among entities providing Planning Coordinator services in the Western Interconnection.

WECC developed the proposed revisions to the regional Variance in proposed Reliability Standard PRC-006-5 to further promote the coordinated planning and

operation of the interconnected Bulk-Power System. The proposed revisions to the WECC regional Variance include: (1) clarifying that Requirements R14 and R15 of the continent-wide Reliability Standard do not apply to entities in the Western Interconnection; (2) clarifying that the use of “Planning Coordinator” in the WECC regional Variance is specific to those providing Planning Coordinator services to Registered Entities within the Western Interconnection; and (3) other non-substantive changes.

NERC’s filed petition was noticed on October 30, 2020, with interventions, comments, and protests due on or before November 27, 2020. No interventions, comments or protest were filed.

NERC’s uncontested filing is hereby approved pursuant to the relevant authority delegated to the Director, Office of Electric Reliability under 18 C.F.R. § 375.303 (2020), effective as of the date of this order.

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 (2020).

Sincerely,

Andrew Dodge, Director  
Office of Electric Reliability