

FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION
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OFFICE OF ELECTRIC RELIABILITY

North American Electric Reliability Corporation
Docket No. RR10-8-000

June 10, 2010

North American Electric Reliability Corporation
1120 G Street N.W., Suite 990
Washington, D.C. 20005-3801

Attention: Rebecca J. Michael, Attorney

Reference: Petition of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation for Approval of Amendments to Rules of Procedure Regarding Compliance and Certification Committee Program and for Approval of Amended Compliance and Certification Committee Charter

Dear Ms. Michael:

1. On March 15, 2010, the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) submitted a filing that requested approval of amendments to Section 500: *Organization Registration and Certification*, Appendix 5A: *Organization Registration and Organization Certification Manual*, and proposed Appendix 4E: *NERC Compliance and Certification Committee Hearing Procedures for Use in Appeals of Certification Matters; NERC Compliance and Certification Committee Mediation Procedures* of its Rules of Procedure.¹
2. The amendments to Section 500 of NERC's Rules of Procedure and Appendix 5A update the organization registration and certification procedures relating to registration appeals and Joint Registration Organization (JRO) agreements. The amendments also create a new type of registration known as Coordinated Functional Registration (CFR) which enables multiple entities to assume responsibility for Reliability Standards at the sub-requirement level for the

¹ NERC also made an errata filing on March 16, 2010 to correct Attachment 1 of its petition.

division of compliance responsibility. In addition, NERC has proposed to add Appendix 4E to its Rules of Procedure. Appendix 4E governs practices of the Compliance and Certification Committee (CCC) during hearings and will serve as a mechanism to resolve any disputes related to compliance and certification activities.

3. Notice of this filing was issued on March 17, 2010 and March 18, 2010, with comments, protests or motions to intervene due on or before April 14, 2010, and April 6, 2010.
4. Notices of intervention and unopposed timely filed motions to intervene are granted pursuant to the operation of Rule 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 C.F.R. § 385.214). Any opposed or untimely filed motions to intervene are governed by the provisions of Rule 214. American Municipal Power filed a timely motion to intervene. No protests or adverse comments were filed.
5. NERC's uncontested filing is approved pursuant to the authority delegated to the Director, Office of Electric Reliability, under 18 C.F.R. § 375.303.
6. This action shall not be construed as accepting any other contingency plan pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 375.303(a)(1)(i) or any other data or report pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 375.303(b)(3)(iv). This action shall not be construed as approving any other application including Electric Reliability Organization or Regional Entity Rules or procedures pursuant to 18 C.F.R. § 375.303(a)(2)(i). Such acceptance or approval shall not be deemed as recognition of any claimed right or obligation associated therewith; and such acceptance or approval is without prejudice to any findings or orders which have been or which may hereafter be made by the Commission in any proceeding now or pending or hereafter instituted by or against NERC.
7. 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,

Joseph H. McClelland, Director
Office of Electric Reliability