

November 13, 2009

Ms. Kimberly Bose Secretary Federal Energy Regulatory Commission 888 First Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20426

Re: NERC Notice of Penalty regarding Mirant Potrero, LLC,

FERC Docket No. NP10-_-000

Dear Ms. Bose:

The North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) hereby provides this Notice of Penalty¹ regarding Mirant Potrero, LLC (MIPO), NERC Registry ID NCR05240,² in accordance with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission or FERC) rules, regulations and orders, as well as NERC Rules of Procedure including Appendix 4C (NERC Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Program (CMEP)).³

On February 4, 2009, MIPO self-reported its non-compliance with VAR-002-1 Requirement (R) 3 for its failure to notify the Transmission Operator of a change in the status of a reactive device Power System Stabilizer within thirty (30) minutes. This Notice of Penalty is being filed with the Commission because, based on information from the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC), WECC and MIPO have entered into a Settlement Agreement to resolve all outstanding issues arising from a preliminary and non-public assessment resulting in WECC's determination and findings of the enforceable alleged violation of VAR-002-1 R3. Pursuant to the Settlement Agreement, MIPO neither admits nor denies the alleged violation of VAR-002-1 R3, but MIPO has agreed to the proposed penalty of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) to be assessed to MIPO, in addition to other remedies and mitigation actions to mitigate the instant alleged violation and ensure future compliance under the terms and conditions of the Settlement Agreement. Accordingly, the alleged violation identified as NERC Violation Tracking

¹ Rules Concerning Certification of the Electric Reliability Organization; and Procedures for the Establishment, Approval, and Enforcement of Electric Reliability Standards (Order No. 672), III FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,204 (2006); Notice of New Docket Prefix "NP" for Notices of Penalty Filed by the North American Electric Reliability Corporation, Docket No. RM05-30-000 (February 7, 2008). See also 18 C.F.R. Part 39 (2008). Mandatory Reliability Standards for the Bulk-Power System, FERC Stats. & Regs. ¶ 31,242 (2007) (Order No. 693), reh'g denied, 120 FERC ¶ 61,053 (2007) (Order No. 693-A). See 18 C.F.R § 39.7(c)(2).

² Western Electricity Coordinating Council confirmed that MIPO was included on the NERC Compliance Registry as a Generator Owner and Generator Operator on June 17, 2007. As a Generator Operator, MIPO was subject to the requirements of NERC Reliability Standard VAR-002-1 R3.

³ See 18 C.F.R § 39.7(c)(2).

Identification Number WECC200901298 is being filed in accordance with the NERC Rules of Procedure and the CMEP.

Statement of Findings Underlying the Alleged Violations

This Notice of Penalty incorporates the findings and justifications set forth in the Settlement Agreement dated May 27, 2009 and executed on June 1, 2009 by and between WECC and MIPO, included as Attachment b. The details of the findings and basis for the penalty are set forth in the Settlement Agreement and herein. This Notice of Penalty filing contains the basis for approval of the Settlement Agreement by the NERC Board of Trustees Compliance Committee (NERC BOTCC). In accordance with Section 39.7 of the Commission's regulations, 18 C.F.R. § 39.7 (2007), NERC provides the following summary table identifying each alleged violation of a Reliability Standard resolved by the Settlement Agreement, as discussed in greater detail below.

Region	Registered Entity	NOC ID	NERC Violation ID	Reliability Std.	Req. (R)	VRF	Total Penalty (\$)
WECC	Mirant Potrero, LLC	213	WECC200901298	VAR-002-1	3	Medium	3,000

The purpose of Reliability Standard VAR-002-1⁴ is to ensure generators provide the reactive and voltage control necessary to ensure voltage levels, reactive flows, and that reactive resources are maintained within applicable Facility Ratings to protect equipment and the reliable operation of the Interconnection.

VAR-002-1 R3 requires each Generator Operator, such as MIPO, to notify its associated Transmission Operator as soon as practical, but within 30 minutes of any of the following: R3.1. A status or capability change on any generator Reactive Power resource, including the status of each automatic voltage regulator and power system stabilizer and the expected duration of the change in status or capability; and R3.2. A status or capability change on any other Reactive Power resources under the Generator Operator's control and the expected duration of the change in status or capability. VAR-002-1 R3, R3.1 and R3.2 all have "Medium" Violation Risk Factors (VRF).

As a result of an affiliate company's internal compliance review meeting on January 8, 2009, MIPO discovered that its operating personnel may not have been consistently following its

⁴ This alleged violation is subject to compliance with VAR-002-1 as it was the enforceable standard at the time of discovery. VAR-002-1 was approved by the Commission and became enforceable on June 18, 2007. On August 28, 2008, VAR-002-1a was approved by the Commission and became enforceable. On May 13, 2009, VAR-002-1.1a was approved by the Commission and became enforceable. An interpretation provides clarity regarding the responsibilities of a registered entity. It does not change the meaning or language of the NERC Reliability Standard and its requirements.

procedure, the Mirant - California, Power System Reliability Management Plan, Procedure No. MC-AP-0010, to notify the Transmission Operator (Pacific Gas and Electric) of a change in the status of a reactive device Power System Stabilizer (PSS) within 30 minutes, and initiated an evaluation to review historical records going back through June 18, 2007. As a result of the evaluation, MIPO found one instance of non-compliance that occurred during unit startup on November 4, 2007, where MIPO did not notify the Transmission Operator of a Unit 3 PSS outage.

MIPO self-reported the violation on February 4, 2009. WECC's Audit Team reviewed MIPO's self-report and determined that MIPO had a possible violation. WECC Enforcement Staff confirmed the Audit Team's conclusion and determined that the duration of the violation was from June 18, 2007, when the standard became enforceable, through March 23, 2009, when MIPO completed its Mitigation Plan. MIPO previously self-certified that it was compliant with this standard in July 2008 because it had procedures in place and training had been conducted on those procedures. However, MIPO determined that the primary cause of the suspected noncompliance was an insufficient understanding and training on VAR-002-1 R3.

According to the Settlement Agreement, WECC has assessed a penalty of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) for this violation. In reaching this determination, WECC considered the following factors: (1) MIPO self reported the violation; (2) there was no serious or substantial risk to the bulk power system because the Mirant Potrero Unit 3 generator involved in this violation has a generating capacity of 206 MW and the PSS was out of service for 14.85 hours without notice provided to the Transmission Operator. Because of the size of the generation capacity and relatively short timeframe, WECC determined that the Transmission Operator not being aware of the PSS being out of service posed minimal risk to the bulk power system; (3) MIPO had no violation history for this standard or any other standard; (4) MIPO cooperated with WECC Staff throughout the enforcement process; and (5) WECC found no aggravating factors. Therefore, WECC determined that, in this instance, the penalty amount of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) was appropriate and bears a reasonable relation to the seriousness and duration of the alleged violation.

Status of Mitigation Plan⁵

MIPO's Mitigation Plan⁶ to address its self-reported alleged violation of VAR-002-1 R3 was submitted to WECC on February 11, 2009. The Mitigation Plan was accepted by WECC on February 19, 2009 and approved by NERC on March 24, 2009. The Mitigation Plan for this alleged violation is designated as MIT-09-1514 and was submitted as non-public information to FERC on March 27, 2009 in accordance with FERC orders.

MIPO's Mitigation Plan required MIPO to conduct refresher training for all of its operating personnel on the administrative procedure Mirant - California, Power System Reliability Management Plan, Procedure No. MC-AP-0010 by March 31, 2009. Additionally, to prevent future non-compliance, MIPO will repeat the training as a part of its annual training program

⁵ See 18 C.F.R § 39.7(d)(7).

⁶ The Mitigation Plan incorrectly identified the violation start date as February 4, 2009.

and, since the event occurred during unit start-up, MIPO revised its unit start-up procedures to incorporate the reporting requirement.

MIPO certified on March 30, 2009 to WECC that its Mitigation Plan was completed on March 23, 2009. MIPO submitted evidence that all operating personnel had received refresher training on the existing *Mirant - California, Power System Reliability Management Plan, Procedure No. MC-AP-0010.* Specifically, MIPO submitted a 2009 Compliance Training Outline that briefly describes the training and material provided, a 2009 Compliance Training Summary providing a summary of employees and dates of the training and a Training Evaluation Form demonstrating the record of training for each employee.

WECC reviewed MIPO's submitted evidence, and on April 11, 2009,⁷ WECC verified that MIPO's Mitigation Plan was completed on March 23, 2009. With the completion of MIPO's Mitigation Plan verified, WECC determined that MIPO was in compliance with VAR-002-1 R3. On April 29, 2009, WECC notified MIPO that it accepted MIPO's certification of completion for the alleged violation of VAR-002-1 R3 and determined that MIPO fully mitigated VAR-002-1 R3.

Statement Describing the Proposed Penalty, Sanction or Enforcement Action Imposed⁸ Basis for Determination

Taking into consideration the Commission's direction in Order No. 693, the NERC Sanction Guidelines and the Commission's July 3, 2008 Guidance Order, the NERC BOTCC reviewed the Settlement Agreement and supporting documentation on September 11, 2009. The NERC BOTCC approved the Settlement Agreement, including WECC's imposition of a financial penalty of three thousand dollars (\$3,000) against MIPO and other actions to promote prospective compliance required under the terms and conditions of the Settlement Agreement. In approving the Settlement Agreement, the NERC BOTCC reviewed the applicable requirements of the Commission-approved Reliability Standards and the underlying facts and circumstances of the alleged violation at issue.

In reaching this determination, the NERC BOTCC considered the following factors:

- (1) MIPO self-reported the violation;
- (2) There was no serious or substantial risk to the bulk power system for the reasons discussed above;
- (3) MIPO had no prior violation of these standards or any closely-related standards during the mandatory reliability period; and
- (4) WECC reported that MIPO was cooperative throughout the enforcement process.

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⁷ The Settlement Agreement incorrectly states the verification date as February 19, 2009.

⁸ See 18 C.F.R § 39.7(d)(4).

⁹ North American Electric Reliability Corporation, "Guidance Order on Reliability Notices of Penalty," 124 FERC ¶ 61,015 (2008).

For the foregoing reasons, the NERC BOTCC approves the Settlement Agreement and believes that the proposed three thousand dollar (\$3,000) penalty amount is appropriate for the violation and circumstances in question, and consistent with NERC's goal to promote and ensure reliability of the bulk power system.

Pursuant to Order No. 693, the penalty will be effective upon expiration of the 30 day period following the filing of this Notice of Penalty with FERC, or, if FERC decides to review the penalty, upon final determination by FERC.

Attachments to be included as Part of this Notice of Penalty

The attachments to be included as part of this Notice of Penalty are the following documents:

- a) MIPO's Self-Report dated February 4, 2009, included as Attachment a;
- b) Settlement Agreement by and between MIPO and WECC dated May 27, 2009, included as Attachment b;
- c) Mitigation Plan designated as MIT-09-1514 submitted February 11, 2009, included as Attachment c;
- d) MIPO's Certification of Completion of the Mitigation Plan dated March 30, 2009, included as Attachment d; and
- e) WECC's Verification of Completion of the Mitigation Plan dated April 29, 2009, included as Attachment e.

A Form of Notice Suitable for Publication ¹⁰

A copy of a notice suitable for publication is included in Attachment f.

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¹⁰ See 18 C.F.R § 39.7(d)(6).

Notices and Communications

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NERC respectfully requests that the Commission accept this Notice of Penalty as compliant with its rules, regulations and orders.

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Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments



Attachment a MIPO's Self-Report dated February 4, 2009



CONFIDENTIAL

Compliance Violation Self-Reporting Form

Please complete an <u>individual</u> Self-Reporting Form for each NERC Reliability Standard that indicates any level(s) of non-compliance and submit via the WECC Compliance Web Portal File Upload

Registered Entity Name: Mirant Potrero, LLC

Contact Name: Enrique Carbia

Contact Phone: 678-579-5678

Contact email: Enrique.Carbia@mirant.com

Date noncompliance was discovered: 1/8/09

Date noncompliance was reported: 2/4/09

Standard Title: Generator Operation for Maintaining Network Voltage Schedules

Standard Number: VAR-002-1a

Requirement Number(s)¹: **R3.1**

How was the noncompliance found? (e.g. Routine Readiness Evaluation, Self-evaluation, Internal Audit, etc.)

A suspected noncompliance was identified at an affiliate company, Mirant Delta, LLC, during an Internal Compliance Review Meeting on 01/08/09.

*Submit a Mitigation Plan in conjunction with this form to show that corrective steps are being taken within ten (10) business days. If a mitigation plan is not being submitted with this form please complete the following:

Describe the cause of non-compliance:

During the review meeting, it was discovered that the execution of the procedure, which specifies compliance with VAR-002, potentially was not being followed in a consistent manner by plant operations. In order to evaluate the severity of this potential we reviewed historical data going back to June 18, 2007. As a result of the historical review, we found one suspected compliance violation at Mirant Potrero, LLC.

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¹ Violations are on a per requirement basis.

Describe the reliability impact of this non-compliance:

We are not aware of any bulk electric system reliability impacts caused by this event.

Expected date of Mitigation Plan submittal: 2/10/09



Attachment b

Settlement Agreement by and between MIPO and WECC dated May 27, 2009

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

OF

WESTERN ELECTRICITY COORDINATING COUNCIL

AND

MIRANT POTRERO, LLC

Western Electricity Coordinating Council ("WECC") and Mirant Potrero, LLC ("MIPO")(collectively the "Parties") hereby enter into this Settlement Agreement ("Agreement") on this 21 day of May, 2009.

RECITALS

A. The Parties desire to enter into this Agreement to resolve all outstanding issues between them arising from a non-public assessment of MIPO by WECC that resulted in certain WECC determinations and findings regarding an alleged MIPO violation of the following North American Electric Reliability Corporation ("NERC") Reliability Standards ("Reliability Standards"):

VAR-002-1 Requirement 3: Generator Operation for Maintaining Network Voltage Schedules

- B. MIPO is a Delaware limited liability company that owns and operates the Potrero Power Plant located in San Francisco, California. The Potrero Power Plant consists of four generating units with an aggregate generating capacity of 362 MW. The Potrero Power Plant is interconnected to the transmission system operated by the California Independent System Operator Corporation ("CAISO") through a substation owned by the Pacific Gas & Electric Company ("PG&E"). On June 17, 2007, MIPO registered on the NERC Compliance Registry as a Generator Owner and Generator Operator.
- C. WECC was formed on April 18, 2002 by the merger of the Western Systems Coordinating Council, Southwest Regional Transmission Association and Western Regional Transmission Association. WECC is one of eight regional councils in the United States responsible for coordinating and promoting electric system reliability. In addition, WECC supports efficient competitive power markets, assures open and non-discriminatory transmission access among members, provides a forum for resolving transmission access disputes, and provides an environment for coordinating the operating and planning activities of its members. WECC's region encompasses a vast area of nearly 1.8 million square miles extending from Canada to Mexico and including 14 western states. It is the largest and most diverse of the eight regional councils in the United States.
- D. The Parties are entering into this Agreement to settle the disputed matters between them. It is in the Parties' and the public's best interests to resolve this matter efficiently without the delay and burden associated with a contested proceeding.

Nothing in this Agreement shall limit or prevent WECC from evaluating MIPO for subsequent violations of the same Reliability Standards addressed herein and taking enforcement action, if necessary. Such enforcement action may include assessing penalties against MIPO for subsequent violations of the Reliability Standards addressed herein in accordance with NERC Rules of Procedure.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the terms set forth herein, including in the Recitals, WECC and MIPO hereby agree and stipulate to the following:

I. Representations of the Parties

For purposes of this Agreement, MIPO does not contest the facts set forth herein. MIPO stipulates to the Confirmed Violations, as this term is defined in the WECC Compliance and Monitoring Enforcement Program ("CMEP"), of the Reliability Standard described below in detail.

WECC has established sufficient facts, as set forth herein, to support its determination that MIPO has a Confirmed Violation of the Reliability Standard described below in detail.

II. Confirmed Violation

A. NERC Reliability Standard VAR-002-1 R3

VAR-002-1 R.3: Each Generator Operator shall notify its associated Transmission Operator as soon as practical, but within 30 minutes of any of the following:

- R 3.1: A status or capability change on any generator Reactive Power resource, including the status of each automatic voltage regulator and power system stabilizer and the expected duration of the change in status or capability.
- R3.2: A status or capability change on any other Reactive Power resources under the Generator Operator's control and the expected duration of the change in status or capability.

MIPO is subject to this Standard because it was registered on the NERC Compliance Registry on June 17, 2007 as a Generation Owner and Generation Operator. During an internal Compliance Review Meeting, MIPO discovered a potential violation of this Standard. Specifically, MIPO plant operators may not have been following the procedure to notify the Transmission Operator (PG&E) of a change in the status of a reactive device Power System Stabilizer ("PSS") within 30-minutes. MIPO initiated an evaluation going back to June 18, 2007. MIPO discovered one instance of non-compliance on November 4, 2007 wherein MIPO did not notify the Transmission Operator of a Unit 3 PSS outage.

MIPO submitted a self-report on February 4, 2009. WECC's Audit Team reviewed MIPO's self-report and determined that MIPO had a possible violation. The Audit Team forwarded this information to the WECC Enforcement Department

("Enforcement") for its review and consideration. Enforcement reviewed MIPO's self-report and the Audit Team's findings, and concluded that MIPO was in violation of VAR-002-1 R3. Based upon its independent review of the record, Enforcement concluded that the period of time for this violation was from June 18, 2007 through March 23, 2009, when MIPO completed its mitigation plan.

MIPO submitted a mitigation plan to address this violation on February 11, 2009. It was accepted by WECC on February 19, 2009, and submitted to NERC on February 27, 2009. The completion date for the mitigation plan was March 31, 2009. To comply with this Standard, MIPO stated that it would give all plant operators refresher training on the existing *Mirant - California*, *Power System Reliability Management Plan*, *Procedure No. MC-AP-0010*.

MIPO's mitigation plan was completed on March 23, 2009. On February 19, 2009, WECC reviewed MIPO's completion documentation and determined that MIPO had provided sufficient evidence to find MIPO in compliance with this Standard. In its completed mitigation plan, MIPO provided evidence that it gave all plant operators refresher training on the existing *Mirant – California, Power System Reliability Management Plan, Procedure No. MC-AP-0010.*

III. Settlement Terms

A. <u>Payment</u>. To settle this matter, MIPO hereby agrees to pay \$3,000.00 to WECC via wire transfer or cashier's check. MIPO shall make the funds payable to a WECC account identified in a Notice of Payment that WECC will send to MIPO upon approval of this Agreement by NERC and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC"). MIPO shall issue the payment to WECC no later than twenty days after receipt of the Notice of Payment.

The terms of this Agreement, including the agreed upon payment, are subject to review and possible revision by NERC and FERC. Upon NERC approval of the Agreement, NERC will file a Notice of Penalty with FERC. If FERC approves the Agreement, NERC will post the Agreement publicly. If either NERC or FERC rejects the Agreement, then WECC will attempt to negotiate a revised settlement agreement with MIPO that includes any changes to the Agreement specified by NERC or FERC. If the Parties cannot reach a settlement agreement, the CMEP governs the enforcement process.

B. <u>Payment Rationale</u>. WECC's determination of penalties in an enforcement action is guided by the statutory requirement codified at 16 U.S.C. § 824o(e)(6) that any penalty imposed "shall bear a reasonable relation to the seriousness of the violation and shall take into consideration the efforts of such user, owner, or operator to remedy the violation in a timely manner". Additionally, WECC considers the guidance provided by the NERC Sanction Guidelines and by FERC in Order No. 693 and in its July 3, 2008 Guidance Order on Reliability Notices of Penalty.

Specifically, to determine penalty assessment, WECC considers the following factors: (1) the seriousness of the violation, including the applicable Violation Risk

Factor and Violation Severity Level, and the risk to the reliability of the Bulk Electric System; (2) the violation's duration; (3) the Registered Entity's compliance history; (4) the Registered Entity's self-reports and voluntary corrective action; (5) the degree and quality of cooperation by the Registered Entity in the audit or investigation process, and in any remedial action; (6) the quality of the Registered Entity's compliance program; (7) any attempt by the Registered Entity to conceal the violation or any related information; (8) whether the violation was intentional; (9) any other relevant information or extenuating circumstances; and (10) the Registered Entity's ability to pay a penalty.

To determine the payment amount in this action and reach an agreement with MIPO, WECC considered the seriousness of the violation, including the applicable Violation Risk Factor. In accordance with NERC's VRF Matrix dated February 3, 2009, a violation of VAR-002-1 R3 as a VRF of "Medium". WECC determined that this violation posed a minimal risk to the reliability of the BPS.

In addition, WECC considered several mitigating factors. First, MIPO's violation was MIPO's first assessed noncompliance with the applicable Reliability Standard. Second, MIPO self-reported this violation. Third, MIPO mitigated its violation, thereby demonstrating a willingness to take corrective action to protect the reliability of the BPS. Fourth, MIPO has been cooperative throughout the enforcement process.

WECC determined that there were no other aggravating factors warranting a higher payment for the violation. Specifically, MIPO did not have any negative compliance history. There was no failure by MIPO to comply with applicable compliance directives, nor any evidence of an attempt by MIPO to conceal a violation. Finally, there was no evidence that MIPO's violation was intentional.

IV. Additional Terms

- A. <u>Authority</u>. The undersigned representative of each party warrants that he or she is authorized to represent and bind the designated party.
- B. <u>Representations</u>. The undersigned representative of each party affirms that he or she has read the Agreement, that all matters set forth in the Agreement are true and correct to the best of his or her knowledge, information, or belief, and that he or she understands that the Agreement is entered into by each party in express reliance on the representations set forth herein.
- C. Review. Each party agrees that it has had the opportunity to consult with legal counsel regarding the Agreement and to review it carefully. Each party enters the Agreement voluntarily. No tender, offer or promise of any kind outside the terms of the Agreement by any member, employee, officer, director, agent, or representative of MIPO or WECC has been made to induce the signatories or the Parties to enter into the Agreement.
- D. <u>Entire Agreement</u>. The Agreement represents the entire agreement between the Parties. No oral representations shall be considered a part of the Agreement.

- E. <u>Effective Date</u>. The Agreement shall become effective upon FERC's approval of the Agreement by order or operation of law.
- F. <u>Waiver of Right to Further Proceedings</u>. MIPO agrees that the Agreement, upon approval by NERC and FERC, is a final settlement of all matters set forth herein. MIPO waives its right to further hearings and appeal, unless and only to the extent that MIPO contends that any NERC or FERC action concerning the Agreement contains one or more material modifications to the Agreement.
- G. Reservation of Rights. WECC reserves all of its rights to initiate enforcement, penalty or sanction actions against MIPO in accordance with the Agreement, the CMEP and the NERC Rules of Procedure. In the event that MIPO fails to comply with any of the terms of this Agreement, WECC shall have the right to pursue enforcement, penalty or sanction actions against MIPO up to the maximum penalty allowed by the NERC Rules of Procedure. MIPO shall retain all of its rights to defend against such enforcement actions in accordance with the CMEP and the NERC Rules of Procedure. Failure by WECC to enforce any provision hereof on occasion shall not constitute a waiver by WECC of its enforcement rights or be binding on WECC on any other occasion.
- H. <u>Amendments</u>. Any amendments to the Agreement shall be in writing. No amendment to the Agreement shall be effective unless it is in writing and executed by the Parties.
- I. <u>Successors and Assigns</u>. The Agreement shall be binding on successors or assigns of the Parties.
- J. <u>Governing Law</u>. The Agreement shall be governed by and construed under the laws of the State of Utah.
- K. <u>Captions</u>. The Agreement's titles, headings and captions are for the purpose of convenience only and in no way define, describe or limit the scope or intent of the Agreement.
- L. <u>Counterparts and Facsimiles</u>. The Agreement may be executed in counterparts, in which case each of the counterparts shall be deemed to be an original. Also, the Agreement may be executed via facsimile, in which case a facsimile shall be deemed to be an original.

Agreed to and accepted:

WESTERN ELECTRICITY COORDINATING COUNCIL

By:	Date: 6/1/09
Title: Vice President of Compliance	
MIRANT POTRERO, LLC	
By: Aus Sully	Date: <u>5/27/09</u>
James P. Garlick Title: Senior Vice President, Operations	



Attachment c

Mitigation Plan designated as MIT-09-1514 submitted February 11, 2009





Mitigation Plan Submittal Form

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Date 1	this Miti	gation	Plan is being submitted: 2/11/09
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Section A: Compliance Notices & Mitigation Plan Requirements

A.1 Notices and requirements applicable to Mitigation Plans and this Submittal Form are set forth in "Appendix A - Compliance Notices & Mitigation Plan Requirements" to this form. Review Appendix A and check this box \overline{\times} to indicate that you have reviewed and understand the information provided therein. This Submittal Form and the Mitigation Plan submitted herein are incomplete and cannot be accepted unless the box is checked.

Section B: Registered Entity Information

B.1 Identify your organization:

Registered Entity Name: Mirant Potrero, LLC

Registered Entity Address: 1155 Perimeter Center West, Atlanta, GA

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NERC Compliance Registry ID: NCR05240

Identify the individual in your organization who will be the Entity Contact B.2 regarding this Mitigation Plan. Please see Section 6.2 of the WECC Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Program (CMEP) for a description of the qualifications required of the Entity Contact.¹

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¹ A copy of the WECC CMEP is posted on WECC's website at http://www.wecc.biz/documents/library/compliance/manuals/Att%20A%20-%20WECC%20CMEP.pdf. Registered Entities are responsible for following all applicable WECC CMEP procedures. WECC strongly recommends that registered entities become familiar with the WECC CMEP and its requirements, as they may be amended from time to time.





Section C: <u>Identity of Alleged or Confirmed Reliability Standard</u> <u>Violations Associated with this Mitigation Plan</u>

This Mitigation Plan is associated with the alleged or confirmed violation(s) of the reliability standard/requirements listed below:

- C.1 Standard: VAR-002-1a [Identify by Standard Acronym (e.g. FAC-001-1)]
- C.2 Requirement(s) violated and violation dates: [Enter information in the following Table]

NERC Violation ID # [if known]	WECC Violation ID # [if known]	Requirement Violated (e.g. R3)	Violation Risk Factor	Alleged or confirmed Violation Date ^(*) (MM/DD/YY)	Method of Detection (e.g. audit, self-report, investigation)
		R3.1	Medium	2/4/09	self report

- (*) Note: The Alleged or Confirmed Violation Date shall be: (i) the date the violation occurred; (ii) the date that the violation was self-reported; or (iii) the date upon which WECC has deemed the violation to have occurred. Please contact WECC if you have questions regarding which date to use.
- C.3 Identify the cause of the alleged or confirmed violation(s) identified above:

The primary cause of the suspected noncompliance was insufficient understanding and training on this requirement. In our self certifications in July 2008 we believed we were in compliance based on procedures we had in place and training that had been conducted on those procedures. During an Internal Compliance Review Meeting it was discovered that the execution of the procedure, which specifies compliance to VAR-002, potentially was not being followed in a consistent manner by plant operations.

[Provide your response here; additional detailed information may be provided as an attachment as necessary]





C.4 **[Optional]** Provide any relevant additional information regarding the alleged or confirmed violations associated with this Mitigation Plan:

See attached for details on the specific event.

[Provide your response here; additional detailed information may be provided as an attachment as necessary]

Section D: <u>Details of Proposed Mitigation Plan</u>

Mitigation Plan Contents

D.1 Identify and describe the action plan, including specific tasks and actions that your organization is proposing to undertake, or which it undertook if this Mitigation Plan has been completed, to correct the violations identified above in Part C.2 of this form:

All operating personnel will receive refresher training on the administrative procedure MC-AP-0010 Section 4.3 which addresses compliance with this requirement of VAR-002.

[Provide your response here; additional detailed information may be provided as an attachment as necessary]

Check this box and proceed to Section E of this form if this Mitigation Plan, as set forth in Part D.1, has already been completed; otherwise respond to Part D.2, D.3 and, optionally, Part D.4, below.

Mitigation Plan Timeline and Milestones

- D.2 Provide the timetable for completion of the Mitigation Plan, including the completion date by which the Mitigation Plan will be fully implemented and the alleged or confirmed violations associated with this Mitigation Plan corrected: Mitigation Plan will be completed by 3/31/09
- D.3 Enter Milestone Activities, with completion dates, that your organization is proposing for this Mitigation Plan:

Milestone Activity	Proposed Completion Date*
-	(milestones cannot be more than 3 months
	apart)





Western Electricity Coordinating Council	
Complete operator refresher training at	3/31/09
Potrero Power Plant	

(*) Note: Implementation milestones should be no more than three (3) months apart for Mitigation Plans with expected completion dates more than three (3) months from the date of submission. As set forth in CMEP section 6.6, adverse consequences could result from failure to complete, on a timely basis, all required actions in this Mitigation Plan, including implementation of milestones. A request for an extension of the completion date of any milestone or of the Mitigation Plan must be received by WECC at least five (5) business days before the relevant milestone or completion date.

[Note: Provide your response here; additional detailed information may be provided as an attachment as necessary]

Additional Relevant Information (Optional)

D.4 If you have any relevant additional information that you wish to include regarding the Mitigation Plan, milestones, milestones dates and completion date proposed above you may include it here:

[Provide your response here; additional detailed information may be provided as an attachment as necessary]





Section E: Interim and Future Reliability Risk

Check this box and proceed and respond to Part E.2, below, if this Mitigation Plan, as set forth in Part D.1, has already been completed.

Abatement of Interim BPS Reliability Risk

E.1 While your organization is implementing the Mitigation Plan proposed in Part D of this form, the reliability of the Bulk Power System may remain at higher risk or be otherwise negatively impacted until the plan is successfully completed. To the extent they are known, reasonably suspected or anticipated: (i) identify any such risks or impacts; and (ii) discuss any actions that your organization is planning to take or is proposing as part of the Mitigation Plan to mitigate any increased risk to the reliability of the bulk power system while the Mitigation Plan is being implemented:

We are not aware of any measurable increase in risk to the bulk electric system reliability in the interim, therefore we are not taking any additional actions.

[Provide your response here; additional detailed information may be provided as an attachment as necessary]

Prevention of Future BPS Reliability Risk

E.2 Describe how successful completion of the Mitigation Plan as laid out in Part D of this form will prevent or minimize the probability that your organization will incur further violations of the same or similar reliability standards requirements in the future:

The routine refresher training is expected to significantly increase awareness, ensure compliance to the NERC standards and enhance the overall culture of compliance.

[Provide your response here; additional detailed information may be provided as an attachment as necessary]

E.3 Your organization may be taking or planning other action, beyond that listed in the Mitigation Plan, as proposed in Part D.1, to prevent or minimize the probability of incurring further violations of the same or similar standards requirements listed in Part C.2, or of other reliability





standards. If so, identify and describe any such action, including milestones and completion dates:

Since this event ocurred during unit start-up, we have also revised our unit start-up procedure to incorporate this reporting requirement.

We plan to provide compliance refresher training for our operating personnel as part of our annual training program.

[Provide your response here; additional detailed information may be provided as an attachment as necessary]





Section F: Authorization

An authorized individual must sign and date this Mitigation Plan Submittal Form. By doing so, this individual, on behalf of your organization:

- a) Submits the Mitigation Plan, as laid out in Section D of this form, to WECC for acceptance by WECC and approval by NERC, and
- b) If applicable, certifies that the Mitigation Plan, as laid out in Section D of this form, was completed (i) as laid out in Section D of this form and (ii) on or before the date provided as the 'Date of Completion of the Mitigation Plan' on this form, and
- c) Acknowledges:
 - 1. I am Director of Operations of Mirant California.
 - 2. I am an officer, employee, attorney or other person authorized to sign this Mitigation Plan on behalf of Mirant Potrero, LLC.
 - 3. I understand Mirant Potrero, LLC's obligations to comply with Mitigation Plan requirements and WECC or ERO remedial action directives and I have reviewed the WECC and ERO documents related to these obligations, including, but not limited to, the WECC CMEP and the NERC Rules of Procedure.
 - 4. I have read and am familiar with the contents of the foregoing Mitigation Plan.
 - 5. Mirant Potrero, LLC agrees to be bound by, and comply with, the Mitigation Plan, including the timetable completion date, as approved by WECC and approved by NERC.

Authorized Signature: 🛭

(Electronic signatures/are acceptable; see CMEP Section 3.0)

Name (Print):Bill Greaves

Title: Director of Operations, California

Date: 2/10/09





Section G: Comments and Additional Information

You may use this area to provide comments or any additional relevant information not previously addressed in this form.

[Provide your response here; additional detailed information may be provided as an attachment as necessary]

Section H: WECC Contact and Instructions for Submission

Please direct any questions regarding completion of this form to:

Mike Wells, Sr. Compliance Engineer

Email: mike@wecc.biz Phone: (801) 883-6884

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Attachment A - Compliance Notices & Mitigation Plan Requirements

- I. Section 6.2 of the WECC CMEP sets forth the information that must be included in a Mitigation Plan. The Mitigation Plan must include:
 - (1) The Registered Entity's point of contact for the Mitigation Plan, who shall be a person (i) responsible for filing the Mitigation Plan, (ii) technically knowledgeable regarding the Mitigation Plan, and (iii) authorized and competent to respond to questions regarding the status of the Mitigation Plan. This person may be the Registered Entity's point of contact described in Section 2.0.
 - (2) The Alleged or Confirmed Violation(s) of Reliability Standard(s) the Mitigation Plan will correct.
 - (3) The cause of the Alleged or Confirmed Violation(s).
 - (4) The Registered Entity's action plan to correct the Alleged or Confirmed Violation(s).
 - (5) The Registered Entity's action plan to prevent recurrence of the Alleged or Confirmed violation(s).
 - (6) The anticipated impact of the Mitigation Plan on the bulk power system reliability and an action plan to mitigate any increased risk to the reliability of the bulk power-system while the Mitigation Plan is being implemented.
 - (7) A timetable for completion of the Mitigation Plan including the completion date by which the Mitigation Plan will be fully implemented and the Alleged or Confirmed Violation(s) corrected.
 - (8) Implementation milestones no more than three (3) months apart for Mitigation Plans with expected completion dates more than three (3) months from the date of submission.
 - (9) Any other information deemed necessary or appropriate.
 - (10) The Mitigation Plan shall be signed by an officer, employee, attorney or other authorized representative of the Registered Entity, which if applicable, shall be the person that signed the Self-Certification or Self Reporting submittals.
- II. This submittal form may be used to provide a required Mitigation Plan for review and approval by WECC and NERC.





- III. The Mitigation Plan shall be submitted to the WECC and NERC as confidential information in accordance with Section 9.3 of the WECC CMEP and Section 1500 of the NERC Rules of Procedure.
- IV. This Mitigation Plan form may be used to address one or more related Alleged or Confirmed Violations of one Reliability Standard. A separate Mitigation Plan is required to address violations with respect to each additional Reliability Standard, as applicable.
- V. If the Mitigation Plan is approved by WECC and NERC, a copy of the Mitigation Plan will be provided to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in accordance with applicable Commission rules, regulations and orders.
- VI. Either WECC or NERC may reject a Mitigation Plan that it determines to be incomplete or inadequate. If the Mitigation Plan is rejected by either WECC or NERC, the Registered Entity will be notified and required to submit a revised Mitigation Plan.
- VII. In accordance with Section 7.0 of the WECC CMEP, remedial action directives also may be issued as necessary to ensure reliability of the bulk power system.



Attachments Referenced in the Mitigation Plan are omitted from the filing



Attachment d

MIPO's Certification of Completion of the Mitigation Plan dated March 30, 2009





Mitigation Plan Submittal Form

New	\boxtimes	or	Revised	

Date this Mitigation Plan is being submitted:

If this Mitigation Plan has already been completed:

- Provide the Date of Completion of the Mitigation Plan: 3/23/09

Section A: Compliance Notices & Mitigation Plan Requirements

A.1 Notices and requirements applicable to Mitigation Plans and this Submittal Form are set forth in "Appendix A - Compliance Notices & Mitigation Plan Requirements" to this form. Review Appendix A and check this box X to indicate that you have reviewed and understand the information provided therein. This Submittal Form and the Mitigation Plan submitted herein are incomplete and cannot be accepted unless the box is checked.

Section B: Registered Entity Information

B.1 Identify your organization:

Registered Entity Name: Mirant Potrero, LLC

Registered Entity Address: 1155 Perimeter Center West, Atlanta, GA

30338

NERC Compliance Registry ID: NCR05240

Identify the individual in your organization who will be the Entity Contact B.2 regarding this Mitigation Plan. Please see Section 6.2 of the WECC Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Program (CMEP) for a description of the qualifications required of the Entity Contact.1

Name:

Enrique Carbia

Title:

Nerc Compliance Manager

Email:

Enrique.Carbia@Mirant.com

A copy of the WECC CMEP is posted on WECC's website at http://www.wecc.biz/documents/library/compliance/manuals/Att%20A%20 %20WECC%20CMEP.pdf. Registered Entities are responsible for following all applicable WECC CMEP procedures. WECC strongly recommends that registered entities become familiar with the WECC CMEP and its requirements, as they may be amended from time to time.





Section C: <u>Identity of Alleged or Confirmed Reliability Standard</u> Violations Associated with this <u>Mitigation Plan</u>

This Mitigation Plan is associated with the alleged or confirmed violation(s) of the reliability standard/requirements listed below:

- C.1 Standard: VAR-002-1a [Identify by Standard Acronym (e.g. FAC-001-1)]
- C.2 Requirement(s) violated and violation dates: [Enter information in the following Table]

NERC Violation ID # [if known]	WECC Violation ID # [if known]	Requirement Violated (e.g. R3)	Violation Risk Factor	Alleged or confirmed Violation Date ^(*) (MM/DD/YY)	Method of Detection (e.g. audit, self-report, investigation)
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The primary cause of the suspected noncompliance was insufficient understanding and training on this requirement. In our self certifications in July 2008 we believed we were in compliance based on procedures we had in place and training that had been conducted on those procedures. During an Internal Compliance Review Meeting it was discovered that the execution of the procedure, which specifies compliance to VAR-002, potentially was not being followed in a consistent manner by plant operations.

[Provide your response here; additional detailed information may be provided as an attachment as necessary]





C.4 **[Optional]** Provide any relevant additional information regarding the alleged or confirmed violations associated with this Mitigation Plan:

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Section D: Details of Proposed Mitigation Plan

Mitigation Plan Contents

D.1 Identify and describe the action plan, including specific tasks and actions that your organization is proposing to undertake, or which it undertook if this Mitigation Plan has been completed, to correct the violations identified above in Part C.2 of this form:

All Mirant Potrero operating personnel have received refresher training on Mirant California procedure MC-AP-0010 Power System Reliability Management Plan Section 4.3 Voltage and Reactive Power Management. We are submitting a 2009 Compliance Training Outline (page 11), that briefly describes the training material / information covered. A 2009 Compliance Training Summary (page 12) is also submitted as a summary of the employees & dates of the training. Lastly a Training Evaluation Form (employee signed record) for each employee is submitted (pages 13 - 28).

[Provide your response here; additional detailed information may be provided as an attachment as necessary]

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Mirant Potrero Unit 3 unit start-up procedure has also been updated to incorporate this reporting requirement.

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 - I am Senior Vice President, Operations of Mirant.
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Authorized Signature:

(Electronic signatures are acceptable; see CMEP Section 3.0)

Name (Print):James P. Garlick

Title: Senior Vice President, Operations

Date: 3/30/09





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Attachments Referenced in the Certification of Completion are omitted from the filing



Attachment e

WECC's Verification of Completion of the Mitigation Plan dated April 29, 2009

CONFIDENTIAL



Laura Scholl
Managing Director of Compliance

801.819.7619 lscholl@wecc.biz

April 29, 2009

Kandi Forte Director of Operations Mirant Potrero, LLC 1155 Perimeter Center West Atlanta, Georgia 30338

NERC Registration ID: NCR05240

Subject: Certification of Completion Response Letter

Dear Kandi Forte,

The Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) received the Certification of Completion and supporting evidence of Mirant Potrero, LLC (MIPO) on 3/30/2009 for the alleged violation of Reliability Standard VAR-002-1 and Requirement(s) 3. Listed below is the outcome of WECC's official review.

WECC has accepted the Certification of Completion for Requirement(s) 3 of the Reliability Standard VAR-002-1 and have found these requirements to be fully mitigated. No further mitigation of these requirements will be required at this time.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mike Wells at mike@wecc.biz. Thank you for your assistance in this effort.

Sincerely,

Laura Scholl

Laura Scholl Managing Director of Compliance

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cc: Enrique Carbia, MIPO NERC Compliance Manager
Lisa Milanes, WECC Manager of Compliance Program Administration
Mike Wells, WECC Senior Compliance Engineer



Attachment f

Notice of Filing

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Mirant Potrero, LLC

Docket No. NP10-___-000

NOTICE OF FILING November 13, 2009

Take notice that on November 13, 2009, the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) filed a Notice of Penalty regarding Mirant Potrero, LLC in the Western Electricity Coordinating Council region.

Any person desiring to intervene or to protest this filing must file in accordance with Rules 211 and 214 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure (18 CFR 385.211, 385.214). Protests will be considered by the Commission in determining the appropriate action to be taken, but will not serve to make protestants parties to the proceeding. Any person wishing to become a party must file a notice of intervention or motion to intervene, as appropriate. Such notices, motions, or protests must be filed on or before the comment date. On or before the comment date, it is not necessary to serve motions to intervene or protests on persons other than the Applicant.

The Commission encourages electronic submission of protests and interventions in lieu of paper using the "eFiling" link at http://www.ferc.gov. Persons unable to file electronically should submit an original and 14 copies of the protest or intervention to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20426.

This filing is accessible on-line at http://www.ferc.gov, using the "eLibrary" link and is available for review in the Commission's Public Reference Room in Washington, D.C. There is an "eSubscription" link on the web site that enables subscribers to receive email notification when a document is added to a subscribed docket(s). For assistance with any FERC Online service, please email FERCOnlineSupport@ferc.gov, or call (866) 208-3676 (toll free). For TTY, call (202) 502-8659.

Comment Date: [BLANK]

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary