



November 6, 2008

Dear Market Participants and Interested Parties:

Re: Proposal to Not Adopt NERC Reliability Standards (“NERC Standards”):

- a) **IRO-002-1 Reliability Coordination - Facilities**
- b) **IRO-003-2 Reliability Coordination – Wide Area View**
- c) **IRO-014-1 Procedures, Processes, or Plans to Support Coordination Between Reliability Coordinators**
- d) **IRO-015-1 Notifications and Information Exchange Between Reliability Coordinators**
- e) **IRO-016-1 Coordination of Real-time Activities Between Reliability Coordinators**

This is to advise you that the Alberta Electric System Operator (“AESO”) is seeking feedback on its proposal not to adopt the above-captioned NERC Standards as Alberta Reliability Standards (“Reliability Standards”). This proposal is being considered for recommendation to the AESO Executive Rules Committee (“ERC”) in December 2008. Upon approval by the ERC, the AESO intends to submit a recommendation to not adopt these NERC Standards as Reliability Standards to the Alberta Utilities Commission (“Commission”) pursuant to Section 19 of the *Transmission Regulation*.

The following grid is hyperlinked to provide assistance in directing you to the summary of the Reliability Standards and related attachments.

Rule Number	Description
IRO-002-1	Reliability Coordination - Facilities
IRO-003-2	Reliability Coordination – Wide Area View
IRO-014-1	Procedures, Processes, or Plans to Support Coordination Between Reliability Coordinators
IRO-015-1	Notifications and Information Exchange Between Reliability Coordinators
IRO-016-1	Coordination of Real-time Activities Between Reliability Coordinators

Please refer to the attached summaries for more information on the NERC Standards.

The AESO would appreciate your comments and suggestions on the NERC Standards. Please use the comment matrix provided when submitting comments to the AESO. Click [here](#) to access the comment matrix for the NERC Standards. Only written comments will be considered in the recommendation to not adopt the NERC Standards as Reliability Standards.



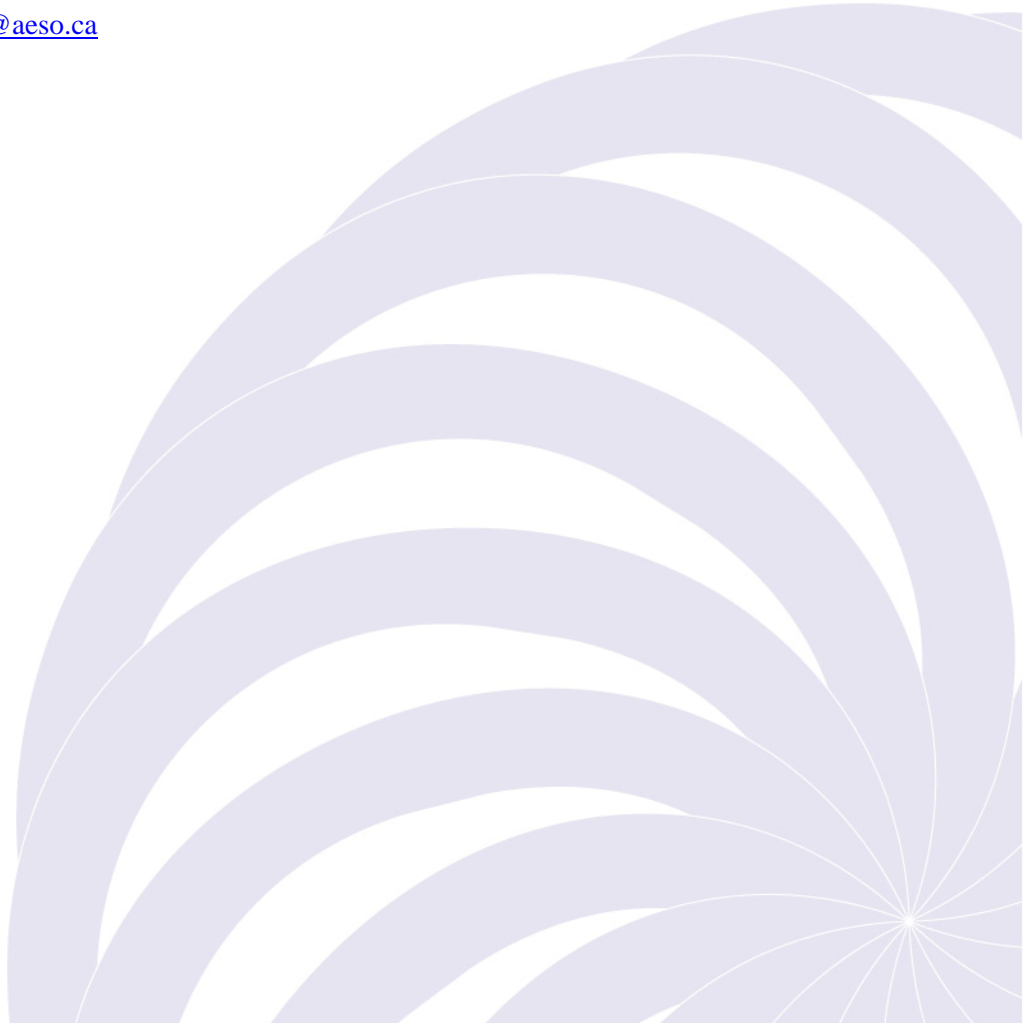
Please provide feedback or questions by **Friday, December 5, 2008** to the *individual* specified within the NERC Standard description below.

The AESO will be publishing all stakeholder comments received for industry review shortly after the comment deadline. Stakeholder comments received along with AESO responses will be published with NERC Standards that are recommended to the ERC to not adopt as Reliability Standards in December 2008.

Yours sincerely,

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Proposed LEVEL I Changes

Level I changes are changes that have a significant operational or financial impact on the industry or the AESO. These changes typically require working group input and/or extensive stakeholder consultation to implement an effective solution.

NERC Standard - IRO-002-1 Reliability Coordination - Facilities	
Number/Name	IRO-002-1 Reliability Coordination - Facilities
Description of NERC Standard	The purpose of this NERC Standard is to specify the requirements for a Reliability Coordinator to have information, tools and other capabilities to perform their responsibilities.
Reason for Not Adopting as an Alberta Reliability Standard	Recommend not to adopt this NERC Standard as an Alberta Reliability Standard as it is deemed to be irrelevant to Alberta. The requirements in this standard do not apply to any of the entities in Alberta. The requirements are applicable only to the Vancouver Reliability Coordinator which is the Reliability Coordinator for the Alberta Balancing Authority Area.
AESO Contact	Operating Policy and Procedures, Anita Lee, anita.lee@aeso.ca , (403) 539-2497
Attachments	http://www.nerc.com/files/IRO-002-1.pdf



NERC Standard - IRO-003-2 Reliability Coordination – Wide Area View

Number/Name	IRO-003-2 Reliability Coordination – Wide Area View
Description of NERC Standard	The purpose of this NERC Standard is to require a Reliability Coordinator to have a wide-area view of its own Reliability Coordinator Area and that of neighboring Reliability Coordinators.
Reason for Not Adopting as an Alberta Reliability Standard	Recommend not to adopt this NERC Standard as an Alberta Reliability Standard as it is deemed to be irrelevant to Alberta. The requirements in this standard do not apply to any of the entities in Alberta. The requirements are applicable only to the Vancouver Reliability Coordinator which is the Reliability Coordinator for the Alberta Balancing Authority Area.
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Attachments	http://www.nerc.com/files/IRO-003-2.pdf



**NERC Standard - IRO-014-1 Procedures, Processes, or Plans to Support Coordination
Between Reliability Coordinators**

Number/Name	IRO-014-1 Procedures, Processes, or Plans to Support Coordination Between Reliability Coordinators
Description of NERC Standard	The purpose of this NERC Standard is to ensure that each Reliability Coordinator’s operations are coordinated such that they will not have an adverse reliability impact on other Reliability Coordinator Areas.
Reason for Not Adopting as an Alberta Reliability Standard	Recommend not to adopt this NERC Standard as an Alberta Reliability Standard as it is deemed to be irrelevant to Alberta. The requirements in this standard do not apply to any of the entities in Alberta. The requirements are applicable only to the Vancouver Reliability Coordinator which is the Reliability Coordinator for the Alberta Balancing Authority Area.
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Attachments	http://www.nerc.com/files/IRO-014-1.pdf



NERC Standard - IRO-015-1 Notifications and Information Exchange Between Reliability Coordinators

Number/Name	IRO-015-1 Notifications and Information Exchange Between Reliability Coordinators
Description of NERC Standard	The purpose of this NERC Standard is to ensure that each Reliability Coordinator’s operations are coordinated such that they will not have an adverse reliability impact on other Reliability Coordinator Areas.
Reason for Not Adopting as an Alberta Reliability Standard	Recommend not to adopt this NERC Standard as an Alberta Reliability Standard as it is deemed to be irrelevant to Alberta. The requirements in this standard do not apply to any of the entities in Alberta. The requirements are applicable only to the Vancouver Reliability Coordinator which is the Reliability Coordinator for the Alberta Balancing Authority Area.
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Attachments	http://www.nerc.com/files/IRO-015-1.pdf



NERC Standard - IRO-016-1 Coordination of Real-time Activities Between Reliability Coordinators

Number/Name	IRO-016-1 Coordination of Real-time Activities Between Reliability Coordinators
Description of NERC Standard	The purpose of this NERC Standard is to ensure that each Reliability Coordinator’s operations are coordinated such that they will not have an adverse reliability impact on other Reliability Coordinator Areas.
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Attachments	http://www.nerc.com/files/IRO-016-1.pdf