

**Justification for No Material/Non-Substantive Changes,
Made by the Delegated Letter Order in Docket No. RD17-1-000 (Petition of North
American Electric Reliability Corporation for Retirement of Reliability Standard
BAL-004-0)**

On November 10, 2016, the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) filed a petition for Commission approval of retirement, pursuant to section 215(d)(1) of the Federal Power Act (FPA)¹ and Section 39.5 of the Commission's regulations², of currently-effective Reliability Standard BAL-004-0 (Time Error Correction). NERC also seeks approval to retire Reliability Standard BAL-004-0 effective on the later of: (i) the first day of the first calendar quarter after the effective date of the Commission's order approving retirement; or (ii) the effective date of retirement/reservation of North American Energy Standard Board ("NAESB") WEQ-006 Manual Time Error Correction Business Practice Standard ("NAESB WEQ-006"). NERC's proposal is conditioned upon retirement of NAESB WEQ-006 to avoid uncoordinated manual Time Error Correction.

NERC's uncontested petition for the retirement of Reliability Standards BAL-004-0 (Time Error Correction) was approved by FERC on 01/18/2017 in a Letter Order in Docket RD17-1.

FERC approved the retirement of the Reliability Standard BAL-004-000. Retiring this standard removes redundancies and decreases burden by a de minimis amount (reduction of a total of 330 hours annually for industry [or 2 hours for reporting and 1 hour for recordkeeping per entity]). FERC sees this as a non-material or non-substantive change to a currently approved collection. FERC issued a 60-day Notice (82 FR 9564) on 2/7/2017 and received no comments. In addition, FERC issued a 30-day Notice (82 FR 22658) on 5/17/2017.

¹ 16 U.S.C. § 824o (2017).

² 18 C.F.R. § 39.5 (2017).