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Re: Certification Application of California Independent System Operator as a Reliability Coordinator

Dear Ms. Johnstone,

California Independent System Operator (NCR05048) (CISO) submitted an application pursuant to Section 500 and Appendix 5A of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation ("NERC") Rules of Procedure ("ROP") to Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) for Certification as a Reliability Coordinator for the Reliability Coordinator Area detailed in the application. After reviewing the tools, processes, training, procedures, and personnel in accordance with the process in the ROP, NERC certifies that CISO has the necessary tools, processes, training, procedures, and personnel to operate as a Reliability Coordinator (RC) for the RC West (RCW) Reliability Coordinator Area.

### **Background**

CISO, based in Folsom, CA is registered as a BA, TOP, PA and TSP. CISO has Coordinated Functional Registration Agreements (CFRs) with five of its participating transmission owners relating to the TOP function within the CISO Balancing Authority (BA) Area.

As of July 1, 2019,

- The RCW Area is defined by the metered boundaries of the following Balancing Authorities:
  - CISO (NCR05048)
  - BANC (NCR11118)
  - TID (NCR05435)
  - LDWP (NCR05223)
  - IID (NCR05195)
  - Centro Nacional de Control de Energía
- The RCW Area includes Facilities operated by the following TOPs:
  - CISO (NCR05048)
    - Pacific Gas and Electric (CFR00010)
    - Southern California Edison Company (CFR00009)
    - San Diego Gas and Electric (CFR00008)
    - Trans Bay Cable LLC (CFR00056)
    - Valley Electric Association, INC (CFR00136)

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- HHWP (NCR05182)
  - SVP (NCR05392)
  - SMUD (NCR05368)
  - WASN (NCR05465)
  - MID (NCR05244)
  - TID (NCR05435)
  - LDWP (NCR05223)
  - IID (NCR05195)
  - Centro Nacional de Control de Energía
- The RCW Area is consistent with Exhibit A of the RC Coordination Agreement between CISO and Peak Reliability, effective July 1, 2019. BAs and TOPs at the RC boundaries have been listed in this Exhibit. The tie points where TOP Areas cross this boundary, as well as the tie points where dynamic and pseudo tie resources cross this boundary, have also been included in the RC Coordination Agreement.

### **Summary of the Proceeding**

On February 1, 2018, CISO submitted an application to WECC for Certification as a RC. WECC then initiated evaluation regarding CISO's ability, including the processes, procedures, tools, training, and personnel, to perform the duties and tasks required by NERC Reliability Standards and to meet the requirements of an RC pursuant to Section 500 and Appendix 5A of the ROP.

On January 9, 2019, WECC issued a pre-Certification questionnaire and requests for information. On-site visits to CISO's Primary Control Center, including its Backup Control Center, were conducted on March 27, 2019.

Based on this data, the Certification Team recommended CISO be certified by NERC to operate as an RC. Upon review, WECC issued a determination in favor of approval of this recommendation, notifying CISO and NERC of this determination.

After, review of the record, NERC issues this decision for Approval of CISO's Certification as an RC based on CISO's competency to perform activities required by such function as demonstrated in the record.

### **Conclusion**

NERC hereby certifies CISO as an RC for the RCW Reliability Coordinator Area effective July 1, 2019. Within 21 days of this decision, CISO may appeal this determination to NERC in accordance with the process set forth in Appendix 5A of the ROP.

Hereafter, CISO must inform NERC and WECC of any material change in status or facts presented in the record for consideration of any impact on continued Certification.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. Stewart', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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