



Certification Review Approval Letter
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Tricia Johnstone
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Subject: Review of California Independent System Operator (NCR05048) due to changes as a Reliability Coordinator

Dear Ms. Johnstone,

The NERC Rules of Procedure, Section 500—Organization Registration and Certification requires Reliability Coordinators (RC), Balancing Authorities (BA), and Transmission Operators (TOP) to be evaluated and certified. Appendix 5A to the Rules of Procedure, Organization Registration and Certification Manual (Manual) Section IV, contains the procedures used to review changes to an already operating and certified registered entity. This review is to determine whether the changes submitted require the California Independent System Operator (CISO) to be re-certified. The Manual also requires that NERC approve or reject any recommendations from the appropriate Regional Entity and notify the entity of the decision.

According to Section IV—Organization Certification Procedure, WECC assigned a Certification Team and a Certification Team Leader (CTL) to review the changes submitted by CISO and forward the information to NERC.

According to the same section, a properly constituted Certification Team has:

- Evaluated CISO on its ability, including changes to the processes, procedures, tools, training, and personnel, to continue to perform the functions and meet the requirements of a RC;
- Formed a recommendation after the review of the changes submitted by CISO;
- Prepared a written Summary Report that supports the recommendation; and
- Presented the Summary Report and recommendation to WECC's management for consideration.

After reviewing the Summary Report and the CTL's recommendation, which states that CISO does not require a full certification review, WECC has approved the recommendation. WECC requests that NERC confirm the changes, based upon the information submitted by CISO, for CISO to continue performing as a RC.

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As a final reminder, according to ROP Appendix 5A, if there are any changes to the basis of this review, CISO must advise WECC as soon as is practical.

Sincerely,



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