NPCC Members and Entities of the NERC Registered Ballot Body and All,

A 45-day formal comment period for TPL-007-3 (version 3 includes the draft Canadian Variance) – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events is open through Thursday, November 15, 2018. An Initial ballot for the Standard and Implementation Plan is being conducted through **8pm, November 15, 2018**. The change to the standard is a Variance, which only applies to Canada, and replaces, in its entirety, Requirement R7, Part 7.3 of the continent-wide standard. The Variance adds an alternate methodology for GMD Vulnerability Assessments, as described in Attachment 1-CAN. The Variance allows the Canadian entities to use specific additional data collected and available from NRCan (National Resources Canada) in lieu of the supplemental geoelectric field and methodology in the existing Attachment 1. Due to availability of more data and application of an earth transfer function methodology a more accurate determination of geo-electric fields, geo-magnetically induced currents and their effect on transformer heating is possible. None of the continent-wide Requirements are being proposed for change. If approved, the Standard will be filed with the FERC for informational purposes, and filed with the Canadian Provincial Governmental Authorities for their approvals.

**The NPCC Regional Standards Committee (RSC) has reviewed the subject variance and recommends a vote to Approve the standard.** If you have any questions please contact me.

Thanks,

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