## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Joint Meeting of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Docket No. AD06-6-000

Interpretative Order Relating to the Standards of Conduct

Docket No. RM01-10-005

Rules Concerning Certification of the Electric Reliability Organization Docket No. RM05-30-000<sup>1</sup>

## NOTICE OF JOINT MEETING OF THE NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION AND THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

(April 3, 2006)

The Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) will hold a joint meeting on April 24, 2006, in Room 2C, 888 First Street N.E., Washington, DC 20426. The meeting is expected to begin at 2:00 p.m. (EDT) and conclude at 4:00 p.m. All interested persons are invited to attend.

## Purpose of Joint Meeting:

The NRC and FERC signed a Memorandum of Agreement on September 1, 2004, to facilitate interactions between the two agencies on matters of mutual interest pertaining to the nation's electric power grid reliability and related implementation activities based on the August 14, 2003, outage recommendations by the U.S.-Canada Power System Task Force. Both agencies have ongoing matters that are relevant to the April 24 joint meeting. The purpose of the joint meeting is to continue the dialog between the two agencies in furtherance of the goals set forth in the Memorandum of Agreement, especially in light of the concurrent matters involving offsite power,<sup>2</sup> and to explore the most effective role

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Commission does not anticipate any decisions being made in either of these rulemaking dockets at this meeting; however, as both rulemakings may be discussed, the Commission is noticing both dockets to ensure no violation of the Sunshine in Government Act requirements occurs.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> On February 1, 2006, the NRC issued Generic Letter 2006-002, Grid Reliability and the Impact on Plant Risk and the Operability of Offsite Power, OMB No. 3150-0011. On February 16, 2006, in Docket No. RM01-10-005, FERC issued *Interpretive Order Relating to the Standards of Conduct for Transmission Providers*, 114 FERC ¶ 61,155 (2006).

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of each agency in addressing grid reliability issues and, thereby, to ensure an integrated approach in accomplishing their respective missions.

### Format for Joint Meeting:

The format for the joint meeting will be discussions between the two sets of commissioners following presentations by their respective staffs, as set forth in the agenda below. There will not be industry presentations.

### **Agenda:**

## Opening Remarks by FERC Chairman Kelliher, NRC Chairman Diaz and Commissioners

Brief presentations by NRC Staff on grid reliability and adding new nuclear reactors to the grid and by FERC Staff on grid reliability and the Electric Reliability Organization proceeding.

#### Discussion

Brief presentations by NRC Staff on encouraging excellence and adopting and revising standards and by FERC Staff on new responsibilities under the Energy Policy Act of 2005.

#### **Discussion**

Brief presentations/updates by NRC Staff on Generic Letter and by FERC Staff on Interpretive Order Proceeding.

#### Discussion

# Closing Remarks by NRC Chairman Diaz, FERC Chairman Kelliher and Commissioners

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All interested persons are invited. Pre-registration is not required and there is no fee to attend this joint meeting. Questions about the meeting should be directed to Mary Kipp at Mary.Kipp@ferc.gov or by phone at 202-502-8228.

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