## FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20426

November 5, 2021

Re: Submitter's Rights Letter

**FOIA No. FY19-30** 

## **VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL ONLY**

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA)<sup>1</sup> and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's (Commission) regulations, 18 C.F.R. § 388.112(d) (2021), you are hereby notified that an individual has filed a request for material that the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) has submitted as privileged or confidential in connection with, among other dockets, RC12-8.

Because NERC has asserted a privileged and/or confidential interest in the information requested, we are soliciting your comments on whether release of the information is required under the FOIA. We are also providing a copy of this notice to the concerned URE(s), which you may coordinate with in preparing your responses.<sup>2</sup> We also ask that you advise the relevant URE(s) of this notice to ensure receipt. In this regard, responses, if any, should comment only on the following:

• The disclosure of the identity of the relevant URE(s) *only* in connection with the above-referenced listed docket(s).

To the extent that you believe such comments are privileged, confidential, or otherwise exempt from disclosure under FOIA, please include an appropriate header on

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 5 U.S.C. § 552.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Please note that RC12-8 is a Find, Fix, and Track docket and this correspondence is only being sent to certain URE(s) contained therein.

your comments. You may also contact Jonathan O'Connell, Attorney Advisor, via telephone at 202-502-6708 or email at <u>jonathan.oconnell@ferc.gov</u>.

Your comments are due within five (5) business days from the date of this letter, and should clearly explain whether you oppose the release of this information and the rationale for your position. The Commission will not be persuaded by conclusory statements or assertions as to why the identity of a URE deserves protection. The Commission may construe a non-response as evidence that you do not object to releasing the name.

Written comments, if any, may be mailed to the undersigned at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20426. Your comments should also be mailed electronically to the email address provided below. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Ms. Toyia Johnson, FOIA Coordinator, by phone at (202) 502-6088 or email to <a href="mailto:foia-ceii@ferc.gov">foia-ceii@ferc.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

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Bcc: (Relevant URE(s))