**Formal Comments**

**Quadrant:** Wholesale Electric Quadrant

**Recommendations:** 2014 WEQ Annual Plan Item 1(a), 1(b) and 1(d) / R11020 (Parallel Flow Visualization/Mitigation for Reliability Coordinators in the Eastern Interconnection – Permanent Solution, WEQ-008 Consistency Review, Standards Request R11020)

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The draft standards for Parallel Flow Visualization have gone through some of the most iterative comment periods by the Wholesale Electric Quadrant. In each of these formal and informal comment periods, the BPS and the Executive Committee Parallel Flow Visualization Task Force, the participants reviewing the comments, have shown willingness to compromise on key issues to develop a set of standards that could be accepted by the industry. The compromises made by the subcommittee were premised upon the issues and concerns being addressed during the full staffing process. When this version of the standard was approved by the EC Task Force for posting, there were no objections or abstentions.

Modifications to the standard may be needed as a result of the field test, which should address the issues and concerns of the subcommittee and include a NERC reliability review. However, we believe the standard is ready for presentation to the Executive Committee for its consideration of approval with the understanding that the standards will be held in abeyance until the completion of the full-staffing, which will include a 12-18 month field test. We support the Executive Committee’s contemplation of approval of this draft standard when they meet on February.