



Western Interconnection Regional Advisory Body

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Richard Drouin, Chairman, Board of Trustees
Richard P. Sergel, President and CEO
North American Electric Reliability Corporation
116-390 Village Boulevard
Princeton, New Jersey 08540-5721

Dear Mr. Drouin and Mr. Sergel:

The Western Interconnection Regional Advisory Body (WIRAB) submits the attached advice to the Board of Trustees for the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) regarding the proposed Amendment to the 2008 Business Plan and Budget of the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC).

WIRAB recommends that the Board of Trustees approve WECC's request to amend the 2008 budget in order to accelerate the implementation of WECC's Reliability Center Strategic Initiative. We believe this proposal allows WECC to upgrade its Reliability Centers in a cost-effective and timely manner.

We appreciate your consideration of this issue in the Board of Trustee's upcoming February 12 meeting.

Sincerely,

John Savage, Chairman
Western Interconnection Regional Advisory Body

Attachment: WIRAB Advice

cc: Donald P. Hodel, NERC Board of Trustees, Vice Chairman
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