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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Before Commissioners: Cheryl A. LaFleur, Chairman;
Philip D. Moeller, Tony Clark,
and Norman C. Bay.

North American Electric Reliability Corporation

Docket No. NP15-1-000

ORDER INITIATING REVIEW OF NOTICE OF PENALTY

(Issued November 28, 2014)

1. On October 30, 2014, the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) filed a Notice of Penalty in Docket No. NP15-1-000 that includes a \$52,000 penalty against NextEra Energy Resources, LLC (NextEra) for violations of Reliability Standards IRO-001-1, R8 and TOP-001-1 R3, as determined by the Texas Regional Entity. On November 26, 2014, NextEra filed an application for review of the Notice of Penalty as to these alleged violations.
2. Pursuant to section 215(e) of the Federal Power Act,¹ and section 39.7(c) of the Commission's regulations,² NERC, as the Commission-approved Electric Reliability Organization, must file a Notice of Penalty with the Commission before a Regional Entity's or NERC's penalty assessment for the violation of a Reliability Standard takes effect. Each such penalty determination is subject to Commission review, on its own motion or by the filing of an application for review by the subject of a penalty within thirty (30) days after the date NERC files the applicable Notice of Penalty.
3. The Commission initiates a review of the Notice of Penalty in Docket No. NP15-1-000. The Commission establishes a filing deadline for any answers, interventions or comments of twenty (20) days from the date of this order.

¹ 16 U.S.C. § 824o(e) (2012).

² 18 C.F.R. § 39.7(c) (2014).

The Commission orders:

(A) The Commission, based on application by NextEra, initiates a review of the Notice of Penalty in Docket No. NP15-1-000.

(B) Answers, interventions and comments are due twenty (20) days from the date of this order.

(C) The proposed penalty in Docket No. NP15-1-000 is stayed pending the conclusion of the Commission's review.

By the Commission.

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Nathaniel J. Davis, Sr.,
Deputy Secretary.