



**Date:** April 14, 2009  
**To:** ERCOT Board of Directors  
**From:** Mark Bruce, Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Chair  
**Subject:** Nodal Protocol Revision Request (NPRR)

**Issue for the ERCOT Board of Directors**

**ERCOT Board of Directors (ERCOT Board) Meeting Date:** April 22, 2009

**Agenda Item No. :** 08b

**Issue:**

Consideration of the following NPRR:

- NPRR149, Change the Name of Emergency Electric Curtailment Plan (EECP) to Energy Emergency Alert (EEA)

**Background/History:**

Unless otherwise noted: (i) all Market Segments were present for each vote, (ii) ERCOT Credit Staff and the Credit Work Group (Credit WG) have reviewed the revision request and do not believe it requires changes to credit monitoring activity or the calculation of liability, and (iii) the ERCOT CEO has determined the NPRR is necessary prior to the Texas Nodal Market Implementation Date per Protocol Section 21.11.3.1, Review and Posting of Nodal Protocol Revision Requests.

- ***NPRR149, Change the Name of Emergency Electric Curtailment Plan (EECP) to Energy Emergency Alert (EEA) [ERCOT]. Proposed effective date: Upon Texas Nodal Market Implementation.** Incremental cost to the Nodal Project of less than \$50K to be absorbed by the program; no ERCOT staffing impacts; modifications to ERCOT Energy Management System (EMS) necessary for implementation; no business function impacts; no impact to grid operations and practices.* This NPRR changes the name of the EECP to EEA. NPRR149 was posted on August 22, 2008. On September 24, 2008, Protocol Revision Subcommittee (PRS) unanimously voted to refer NPRR149 to the Nodal Protocol/Reliability Standards Alignment Task Force (NPRSA) for consideration. On December 18, 2008, PRS unanimously voted to recommend approval of NPRR149 as amended by NPRSA and the Operations Working Group (OWG) comments. The Independent Generator Market Segment was not present for the vote. On January 22, 2009, PRS unanimously voted to table NPRR149. On March 19, 2009, PRS unanimously voted to endorse and forward the PRS Recommendation Report and Impact Analysis for NPRR149 to TAC. On April 9, 2009, TAC unanimously voted to recommend approval of NPRR149 as recommended by PRS.

The TAC Recommendation Report and Impact Analysis for this NPRR are included in the ERCOT Board meeting materials. In addition, this NPRR and supporting materials are posted on the ERCOT website at the following link: <http://nodal.ercot.com/protocols/npr/index.html>.

**Key Factors Influencing Issue:**

The PRS met, discussed the issues, and submitted a recommendation report to TAC regarding the NPRR described herein. TAC considered the issues and voted to take action on this NPRR as described above.

**Alternatives:**

1. Approve the TAC recommendation on NPRR149 as described above or as modified by the ERCOT Board;
2. Reject the TAC recommendation on NPRR149; or
3. Remand NPRR149 to TAC with instructions.

**Conclusion/Recommendation:**

As more specifically described above, TAC recommends that the ERCOT Board approve NPRR149 as described herein.



**ELECTRIC RELIABILITY COUNCIL OF TEXAS, INC.**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. (ERCOT) Board of Directors (Board) deems it desirable and in ERCOT's best interest to approve NPRR149, Change the Name of Emergency Electric Curtailment Plan (EECP) to Energy Emergency Alert (EEA).

THEREFORE be it RESOLVED, that the ERCOT Board hereby approves NPRR149.

**CORPORATE SECRETARY'S CERTIFICATE**

I, Michael G. Grable, Corporate Secretary of ERCOT, do hereby certify that, at its April 22, 2009 meeting, the ERCOT Board of Directors passed a motion approving the above Resolution by \_\_\_\_\_.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

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Michael G. Grable  
Corporate Secretary