

Notification of Revisions to the standards for interconnection to the Railbelt Interconnected Electrical Grid

Four of the Railbelt Utilities in cooperation with the Alaska Energy Authority have established a committee to review the most recent North American Reliability Corporation (NERC) standards entitled "Reliability Standards for the Bulk Electric Systems of North America- January 1, 2007." To the extent practical, the Committee intends to bring the Railbelt's existing standards (the documents entitled "ASCC Planning Criteria for the Reliability of Interconnected Electric Utilities" and "ASCC Operating Guides for Interconnected Utilities and Alaska Intertie Operating Guides") into compliance with these NERC Standards. It is intended that the standards drafted by this committee in a public process and approved by the Railbelt Utilities and AEA will become the operating guidelines for the interconnected Railbelt utilities.

As draft standards are completed they will be published on the AEA website for a 60 day public comment period. Public comments are invited and may be directed to Jim Strandberg, Project Manager, AEA at jstrandberg@aidea.org. If you wish to be placed on an email notification list please send an email to jstrandberg@aidea.org.

Railbelt Utilities participating with the Alaska Energy Authority in this updating process are:

Chugach Electric Association, Inc.
Golden Valley Electric Association, Inc.
Homer Electric, Inc.
Anchorage Municipal Light & Power
Matanuska Electric Association, Inc. (*observing only*)