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Mr. Richard P. Sergel  
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Dear Mr. Sergel:

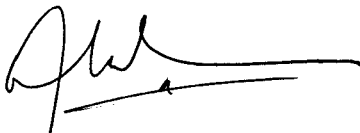
Ontario was pleased to note the recent recognition of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) as the electric reliability organization for the United States. Ontario has had mandatory reliability standards since its electricity Market Rules came into force in 2002, and international electric reliability continues to be a high priority for our province's electricity system.

By way of this letter, the Ontario Ministry of Energy is confirming that the North American Electric Reliability Corporation is recognized as the successor in Ontario to the North American Electric Reliability Council as the international electric reliability standards authority in accordance with the definition of "standards authority" found in the *Electricity Act, 1998* (Ontario).

Ontario looks forward to continuing collaboration with NERC on international electric reliability.

Please accept my very best wishes for NERC's ongoing success in its international electric reliability endeavours.

Sincerely,



Dwight Duncan  
Minister

c: Howard I. Wetston, Chair, Ontario Energy Board  
Paul Murphy, President and CEO, Ontario Independent Electricity System Operator