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### **NETA Connects With Utility Industry Leaders During TechCon North America 2015 and The International Doble Conference**

PORTAGE, Mich., May 18, 2015 – NETA aligns the ANSI/NETA MTS-2015 standard with NERC PRC 005.3 Standard. NETA continues to build relationships within the utility industry through a shared focus on the importance of electrical power system acceptance and maintenance testing.

NETA joined the [TechCon North America Conference](#), February 17-19, 2015, hosted in Sacramento, California, participating in the exhibition and in the technical presentations. On behalf of NETA, Scott Blizard, American Electrical Testing Co., Inc. and Lorne Gara, Orbis Engineering Field Services Ltd. presented a paper titled, *Protection System Maintenance and Testing — The Fundamentals of Meeting NERC PRC 005.3 Standards, and Testing Program Options*.

This NETA presentation highlighted NERC PRC 005.3 Implementation Plan and electrical power system maintenance testing requirements, addressing key questions regarding the use of consensus standards, including the ANSI/NETA MTS-2015 *Standard for Maintenance Testing Specifications* and Protection System Maintenance Programs (PSMP).

Following the presentation, Conference Co-Chair Chris Stefanski, independent Electric Utility Consultant, said the audience connected with NETA's presentation because many of the attendees are considering their approach to developing maintenance plans and compliance with NERC. Stefanski suggested that NETA consider hosting a working session demonstrating specific processes for establishing time-based, condition-based, and performance-based maintenance plans.

NETA also participated in this year's [International Doble Conference](#), held in Boston, Massachusetts, March 22-27, 2015. The Doble Conference is considered one of the world's leading events for the electrical power systems industry. It provides NETA the opportunity to meet with subject matter experts and share the Association's mission to advance electrical power system safety and reliability and support utility professionals.

During the exhibition, NETA promoted and sold [ANSI/NETA standards](#), along with [NETA training](#) and [publication resources](#) to advance continuing education within the power generation and transmission industry.

For more information on NETA, ANSI/NETA Standards, and NETA Training, visit [netaworld.org](http://netaworld.org).

#### **About NETA**

NETA is an ANSI Accredited standards developing organization that creates and maintains standards on electrical testing for electrical power equipment and systems. NETA is an association of leading electrical testing companies comprised of visionaries committed to advancing the industry standards for power system installation and maintenance to ensure the highest level of reliability and safety.

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