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**Q1**

Information about the nominator:

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**Q2**

Information about the nominee:

First and Last Name	<b>Jennifer Flandermeyer</b>
Organization	<b>NextEra Energy, Inc.</b>
Email Address	<b>Jennifer.Flandermeyer@nexteraenergy.com</b>
Phone Number	<b>7869323639</b>

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**Q3**

Briefly describe the nominee's experience and qualifications to serve on the RISC:

I have been employed and active in the Energy Sector for 27 years and involved in the NERC ecosystem since 2009. In my experience with NERC I have served on or lead every committee in the industry stakeholder groups with the exception of the RSTC but have served on several subgroups under the RSTC. I currently serve and have served several terms on the MRO Board. I am concluding my 2 terms as MRC Chair in February 2025. My experience, stakeholder involvement and industry relationships would make my contributions to the RISC very beneficial. Most importantly, my understanding of the risks and opportunities facing our industry currently would be a significant contribution for the RISC. My current role leads reliability, resilience, and security policy and intelligence for one of the largest investor-owned utilities and renewable energy companies in the US. I have volunteered for 3 of the 5 risk profiles in the upcoming report.

**Q4**

Select each area for which the nominee has expertise or oversight: Description of each Risk Profile can be found in the The 2023 ERO Reliability Risk Priorities Report

**Energy Policy,**  
**Resilience to Extreme Events,**  
**Security Risks,**  
**Critical Infrastructure Interdependencies,**  
**Grid Transformation**

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**Q5**

Select each NERC Region that you represent:

**MRO,**  
**NPCC,**  
**RF,**  
**SERC,**  
**Texas RE,**  
**WECC**

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**Q6**

Select each Industry Segment that you represent:

**Transmission Owners,**  
**Load-serving Entities,**  
**Electric Generators,**  
**Electricity Brokers, Aggregators, and Marketers**

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**Q7**

Select each Registered Function for which the nominee has expertise or oversight: These functions are defined in the NERC Functional Model, which is downloadable from the NERC Web site.

**Balancing Authority,**  
**Distribution Provider,**  
**Generator Operator,**  
**Generator Owner,**  
**Load-Serving Entity,**  
**Market Operator,**  
**Planning Coordinator,**  
**Purchasing-Selling Entity,**  
**Resource Planner,**  
**Transmission Operator,**  
**Transmission Owner,**  
**Transmission Planner,**  
**Transmission Service Provider**

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**Q8**

Reference #1:

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**Q9**

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**Q1**

Information about the nominator:

First and Last Name	<b>Richard McCall</b>
Company	<b>NC Electric Membership Corporation</b>
Email Address	<b>richard.mccall@ncemcs.com</b>
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**Q2**

Information about the nominee:

First and Last Name	<b>Lee Ragsdale</b>
Organization	<b>NC Electric Membership Corporation</b>
Email Address	<b>lee.ragsdale@ncemcs.com</b>
Phone Number	<b>919-875-3056</b>

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**Q3**

Briefly describe the nominee's experience and qualifications to serve on the RISC:

Mr. S. Lee Ragsdale, Jr is Senior Vice President, Energy Delivery for North Carolina's electric cooperatives. He leads the team responsible for the NCEMC distribution operator, reliability compliance, energy operations, delivery point planning and reliability, and DER integration.

Mr. Ragsdale has led the efforts at NCEMC and within the cooperatives to advance the establishment of the Distribution Operator and related standards, which allows the use of IBR/DER for grid benefits. The NCEMC distribution operator is a single source for visibility and coordination of DER across the 26 cooperatives of NC, which provide service to over 1 million individual customers. The distribution operator provides situational awareness of over half a gigawatt of distribution connected IBR, DER and DR upstream to the Transmission Operators, enabling the coordination and optimization of these resources for the distribution system, and deployment for system-wide grid reliability events. These DER/IBR include 5 operational microgrids, 17 stand-alone utility scale battery energy storage systems (90 MW), 13 solar + storage facilities (20 MW), and numerous rooftop and QF solar installations. NCEMC in coordination with the distribution cooperatives in NC have established interconnection standards for DER, which establishes communication, visibility and coordination of dispatch. When combined with the distribution operator the capability allows the integrating IBR/DER into an operational DERMS. Mr. Ragsdale will continue to bring these firsthand experiences of integrating DER to the RISC and provide a valuable viewpoint to the committee based upon this working knowledge. Mr. Ragsdale has served on the RISC since 2023 and is co-leading the Grid Transformation section of the "2025 ERO Reliability Priorities Report".

Mr. Ragsdale has been in the utility industry for 34 years. He has a BS in Electrical Engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology and a Masters of Business Administration from Georgia State University. He is a Professional Engineer registered in the state of North Carolina and has carried in the past, but not maintained, a Reliability Coordinator certificate.

**Q4**

Select each area for which the nominee has expertise or oversight: Description of each Risk Profile can be found in the The 2023 ERO Reliability Risk Priorities Report

**Resilience to Extreme Events,  
Security Risks,  
Grid Transformation**

**Q5**

Select each NERC Region that you represent:

**SERC**

**Q6**

Select each Industry Segment that you represent:

**Load-serving Entities,  
Transmission-dependent Utilities,  
Electric Generators**

**Q7**

Select each Registered Function for which the nominee has expertise or oversight: These functions are defined in the NERC Functional Model, which is downloadable from the NERC Web site.

**Distribution Provider,  
Generator Operator,  
Generator Owner,  
Load-Serving Entity,  
Resource Planner**

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**Q8**

Reference #1:

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**Q9**

Reference #2:

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**Q1**

Information about the nominator:

First and Last Name	<b>Carrie Zalewski</b>
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**Q2**

Information about the nominee:

First and Last Name	<b>Maurice Moss</b>
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## Q3

Briefly describe the nominee's experience and qualifications to serve on the RISC:

Maurice brings extensive experience and expertise that align closely with the responsibilities and objectives of the NERC RISC. He has a proven track record of leadership and governance in the electric reliability space, having served on the Board of Directors for the Midwest Reliability Organization (MRO) and the MRO Organizational Oversight Committee. Additionally, Maurice demonstrated his commitment to the industry by serving as Chair of the American Public Power Association's (APPA) Legal & Regulatory Section, where he provided strategic guidance on critical regulatory issues impacting public power utilities.

Currently, Maurice leads initiatives at the American Clean Power Association (ACP) to advocate for clean energy policies and promote efficient, non-discriminatory wholesale electricity markets in the Central and Western regions of the U.S. The ACP represents over 800 member companies across the clean energy sector, including wind, solar, energy storage, clean hydrogen, and transmission. Its membership spans developers, manufacturers, utilities, financial institutions, and research organizations, fostering collaboration and promoting policies to expand renewable energy integration. Maurice's work at ACP emphasizes the integration of renewable energy resources while ensuring grid reliability and resilience. Additionally, he spearheads member engagement in the development of Inverter-Based Resource (IBR) standards.

Previously, Maurice held senior executive positions overseeing corporate compliance and legal and regulatory affairs. In these roles, he managed NERC Compliance, Risk Management, Environmental Compliance, and RTO and FERC strategy and policy development. This breadth of experience equips Maurice with a deep understanding of risk management, regulatory frameworks, and operational reliability, making him an exceptional candidate for the NERC RISC.

Maurice's diverse background, spanning governance, advocacy, and compliance, equips him to provide valuable insights and effective leadership on the NERC RISC.

## Q4

Select each area for which the nominee has expertise or oversight: Description of each Risk Profile can be found in the The 2023 ERO Reliability Risk Priorities Report

**Energy Policy,**  
**Critical Infrastructure Interdependencies,**  
**Grid Transformation**

## Q5

Select each NERC Region that you represent:

**N/A - Not Applicable**

## Q6

Select each Industry Segment that you represent:

**Transmission Owners,**  
**Electric Generators**

## Q7

Select each Registered Function for which the nominee has expertise or oversight: These functions are defined in the NERC Functional Model, which is downloadable from the NERC Web site.

**Compliance Enforcement Authority,**  
**Generator Operator,**  
**Generator Owner,**  
**Load-Serving Entity,**  
**Resource Planner,**  
**Transmission Owner**



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**Q8**

Reference #1:

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**Q9**

Reference #2:

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**Q1**

Information about the nominator:

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Email Address	<b>TIM.KELLEY@SMUD.ORG</b>
Phone Number	<b>9162165519</b>

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**Q2**

Information about the nominee:

First and Last Name	<b>Tim Kelley</b>
Organization	<b>Sacramento Municipal Utility District</b>
Email Address	<b>TIM.KELLEY@SMUD.ORG</b>
Phone Number	<b>9162165519</b>

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**Q3**

Briefly describe the nominee's experience and qualifications to serve on the RISC:

Tim currently serves as the Senior Regulatory Advisor for the Sacramento Municipal Utility District (SMUD) where he oversees the coordination of balloting and revision comments on the NERC and WECC reliability standards under development. He has more than 15 years' experience in the NERC reliability compliance field including 6 years in the role of SMUD's Reliability Compliance Manager. Tim is a member of both the NERC Reliability Issues Steering Committee (RISC) and the WECC Standards Committee and has been active in the Western Interconnection Compliance Forum (WICF) – serving on its Steering Committee since 2010.

His previous work experience includes project management and electrical engineering services for Integrated Engineers and Contractors Corporation, Constellation Energy and Northeast Utilities. Tim began his career in the U.S. Navy where he served six years on a nuclear submarine as an electronics technician and reactor operator. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Electrical Engineering at the University of Massachusetts and completed his Master of Business Administration at California State University in Sacramento. Tim holds a California professional engineering license in electrical engineering.

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**Q4**

Select each area for which the nominee has expertise or oversight: Description of each Risk Profile can be found in the The 2023 ERO Reliability Risk Priorities Report

**Energy Policy,  
Security Risks,  
Grid Transformation**

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**Q5**

Select each NERC Region that you represent:

**WECC**

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**Q6**

Select each Industry Segment that you represent:

**Transmission Owners,  
Load-serving Entities,  
Transmission-dependent Utilities,  
Electric Generators,  
Electricity Brokers, Aggregators, and Marketers**

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**Q7**

Select each Registered Function for which the nominee has expertise or oversight: These functions are defined in the NERC Functional Model, which is downloadable from the NERC Web site.

**Balancing Authority,  
Distribution Provider,  
Generator Operator,  
Generator Owner,  
Planning Coordinator,  
Resource Planner,  
Transmission Operator,  
Transmission Owner,  
Transmission Planner,  
Transmission Service Provider**

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**Q8**

Reference #1:

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**Q9**

Reference #2:

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Information about the nominator:

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Email Address	<b>bslocum@itctransco.com</b>
Phone Number	<b>2489463231</b>

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**Q2**

Information about the nominee:

First and Last Name	<b>Brian Slocum</b>
Organization	<b>ITC Holdings</b>
Email Address	<b>bslocum@itctransco.com</b>
Phone Number	<b>2489463231</b>

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**Q3**

Briefly describe the nominee's experience and qualifications to serve on the RISC:

Current at large member and past chair of RISC. 25 years of industry experience focused on planning, operations, IT and engineering.

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**Q4**

Select each area for which the nominee has expertise or oversight: Description of each Risk Profile can be found in the The 2023 ERO Reliability Risk Priorities Report

**Energy Policy,**  
**Resilience to Extreme Events,**  
**Security Risks,**  
**Grid Transformation**

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**Q5**

Select each NERC Region that you represent:

**MRO,**  
**RF**

**Q6**

**Transmission Owners**

Select each Industry Segment that you represent:

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**Q7**

Select each Registered Function for which the nominee has expertise or oversight: These functions are defined in the NERC Functional Model, which is downloadable from the NERC Web site.

**Balancing Authority,  
Planning Coordinator,  
Transmission Operator,  
Transmission Owner,  
Transmission Planner,  
Transmission Service Provider**

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**Q8**

Reference #1:

First and Last Name

**Tim Gallagher**

Organization

**RF**

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Phone Number

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**Q9**

Reference #2:

First and Last Name

**Mark Lauby**

Organization

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## Q1

Information about the nominator:

First and Last Name	<b>Barbara Sugg</b>
Company	<b>Southwest Power Pool</b>
Email Address	<b>bsugg@spp.org</b>
Phone Number	<b>501-614-3245</b>

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## Q2

Information about the nominee:

First and Last Name	<b>Felek Abbas</b>
Organization	<b>Southwest Power Pool</b>
Email Address	<b>fabbas@spp.org</b>
Phone Number	<b>727-366-6974</b>

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## Q3

Briefly describe the nominee's experience and qualifications to serve on the RISC:

Felek has over 30 years of electric industry experience in cybersecurity, engineering, consulting, risk management, audit, and compliance. He is currently the Vice President and Chief Security Officer at Southwest Power Pool where he's responsible for cybersecurity, physical security, and emergency management. As a consultant at Ernst & Young, Felek has worked with many Responsible Entities on implementing solutions for cybersecurity, IT, and OT infrastructure. He has additional experience as a NERC CIP Compliance Advisor and Auditor, where he helped shape and implement the NERC CIP v5 cybersecurity standards, and he has operational experience as a SCADA engineer at Progress Energy, Mirant Corporation, and Georgia Power Company, where he started his career at a coal generating plant. Felek has an electrical engineering degree from Auburn University and is an (ISC) Certified Information Systems Security Professional.

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**Q4**

Select each area for which the nominee has expertise or oversight: Description of each Risk Profile can be found in the The 2023 ERO Reliability Risk Priorities Report

**Energy Policy,**  
**Security Risks,**  
**Critical Infrastructure Interdependencies,**  
**Grid Transformation**

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**Q5**

Select each NERC Region that you represent:

**MRO,**  
**WECC**

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**Q6**

Select each Industry Segment that you represent:

**RTOs, ISOs**

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**Q7**

Select each Registered Function for which the nominee has expertise or oversight: These functions are defined in the NERC Functional Model, which is downloadable from the NERC Web site.

**Balancing Authority,**  
**Compliance Enforcement Authority,**  
**Generator Operator,**  
**Generator Owner,**  
**Interchange Coordinator,**  
**Load-Serving Entity,**  
**Reliability Coordinator,**  
**Transmission Operator,**  
**Transmission Owner**

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**Q8**

Reference #1:

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**Q9**

Reference #2:

**Respondent skipped this question**

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**Q1**

Information about the nominator:

First and Last Name	<b>Lanny Nickell</b>
Company	<b>Incoming CEO, Southwest Power Pool</b>
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**Q2**

Information about the nominee:

First and Last Name	<b>Felek Abbas</b>
Organization	<b>VP &amp;CSO, Southwest Power Pool</b>
Email Address	<b>fabbas@spp.org</b>
Phone Number	<b>727-366-6974</b>

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**Q3**

Briefly describe the nominee's experience and qualifications to serve on the RISC:

Felek has over 30 years of electric industry experience in cybersecurity, engineering, consulting, risk management, audit, and compliance. He is currently the Vice President and Chief Security Officer at Southwest Power Pool where he's responsible for cybersecurity, physical security, and emergency management. As a consultant at Ernst & Young, Felek has worked with many Responsible Entities on implementing solutions for cybersecurity, IT, and OT infrastructure. He has additional experience as a NERC CIP Compliance Advisor and Auditor, where he helped shape and implement the NERC CIP v5 cybersecurity standards, and he has operational experience as a SCADA engineer at Progress Energy, Mirant Corporation, and Georgia Power Company, where he started his career at a coal generating plant. Felek has an electrical engineering degree from Auburn University and is an (ISC)2 Certified Information Systems Security Professional.

If selected, in addition to SPP, Felek would represent all 9 North American RTOs/ISOs through the ISO/RTO Council's Information Technology Committee (ITC).

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**Q4**

Select each area for which the nominee has expertise or oversight: Description of each Risk Profile can be found in the The 2023 ERO Reliability Risk Priorities Report

**Energy Policy,  
Security Risks,  
Critical Infrastructure Interdependencies,  
Grid Transformation**

**Q5**

Select each NERC Region that you represent:

**MRO,  
WECC**

**Q6**

Select each Industry Segment that you represent:

**RTOs, ISOs**

**Q7**

Select each Registered Function for which the nominee has expertise or oversight: These functions are defined in the NERC Functional Model, which is downloadable from the NERC Web site.

**Balancing Authority,  
Compliance Enforcement Authority,  
Generator Operator,  
Generator Owner,  
Reliability Coordinator,  
Transmission Operator,  
Transmission Owner**

Page 2: Reference Information

**Q8**

Reference #1:

First and Last Name

**Barbara Sugg**

Organization

**CEO, Southwest Power Pool**

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**Q9**

Reference #2:

First and Last Name

**Hugo Frech**

Organization

**Exec. Dir IT, California ISO & ITC Chair, ISO/RTO  
Council**

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**Q1**

Information about the nominator:

First and Last Name	<b>David Jendras</b>
Company	<b>Ameren</b>
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Phone Number	<b>314-713-1338</b>

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**Q2**

Information about the nominee:

First and Last Name	<b>John Waterhouse</b>
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Email Address	<b>jwaterhouse@ameren.com</b>
Phone Number	<b>314-799-1569</b>

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**Q3**

Briefly describe the nominee's experience and qualifications to serve on the RISC:

John has nearly 20 years of experience in the utility industry and is currently the Sr. Director of Transmission Operations and Maintenance for Ameren. In this role John has responsibility for the real time operations of Ameren's transmission system, which consists of approx. 8,400 miles of transmission across both MO and IL. John also has responsibility for Ameren Transmission's ongoing maintenance and asset management strategy. This includes responsibility for the overall reliability of the transmission system and the development of Ameren's compliance program. John also works very close with Ameren's Planning, Regulatory/Policy, Physical/Cyber Security, and Compliance Oversight organizations and brings a diverse perspective across these subject areas. Prior to John's current role, John led Ameren Transmission's project management organization and had responsibility for the execution of all capital transmission projects beginning with project scoping through design, procurement, construction, commissioning and closeout.

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**Q4**

Select each area for which the nominee has expertise or oversight: Description of each Risk Profile can be found in the The 2023 ERO Reliability Risk Priorities Report

**Energy Policy,**  
**Resilience to Extreme Events,**  
**Security Risks,**  
**Critical Infrastructure Interdependencies,**  
**Grid Transformation**

**Q5**

Select each NERC Region that you represent:

**SERC**

**Q6**

Select each Industry Segment that you represent:

**Transmission Owners**

**Q7**

Select each Registered Function for which the nominee has expertise or oversight: These functions are defined in the NERC Functional Model, which is downloadable from the NERC Web site.

**Distribution Provider,**  
**Load-Serving Entity,**  
**Transmission Operator,**  
**Transmission Owner,**  
**Transmission Planner**

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**Q8**

Reference #1:

First and Last Name

**Joe Millard**

Organization

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**Q9**

Reference #2:

First and Last Name

**John Harmon**

Organization

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**Q1**

Information about the nominator:

First and Last Name	<b>Tino Zaragoza</b>
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**Q2**

Information about the nominee:

First and Last Name	<b>Tino Zaragoza</b>
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## Q3

Briefly describe the nominee's experience and qualifications to serve on the RISC:

Florentino "Tino" Zaragoza has over 26 years of experience in the electric utility industry, specializing in reliability compliance, energy management systems, and system operations. Since 2010, he has served as the Reliability Compliance Officer for Imperial Irrigation District, which holds several registrations, including Balancing Authority. In this role, he developed and manages the district's Reliability Standards Internal Compliance Program. Reporting directly to the General Manager, Tino oversees compliance monitoring, education and awareness initiatives, risk assessments, and internal control programs. He has extensive experience managing regulatory audits, investigations, and enforcement processes.

Tino is highly active in the ERO and trade organizations. He serves on the NERC Compliance and Certification Committee (CCC), the Organization Registration and Certification Subcommittee (ORCS), and served on the Standards Efficiency Review Team (Phases I and II). His leadership roles have included Vice Chair and Chair of the NATF Risk Controls and Compliance Practice Group Core Team, Vice Chair of the WICF Steering Committee, and active participation in APPA and LPPC reliability teams. He regularly attends NERC and WECC Board meetings, gaining valuable insights into bulk power system (BPS) reliability and regulatory processes.

Tino's expertise includes peer reviews and peer audits, where he has supported six entities in improving reliability and compliance. His experience extends to compliance enforcement, entity registration, and governance structures, providing a comprehensive understanding of the challenges and solutions in ensuring BPS reliability.

A graduate of UC San Diego with a degree in Applied Mathematics, Tino combines technical proficiency with strategic leadership, equipping him to support the RISC in guiding NERC and industry resources toward addressing critical reliability risks.

## Q4

Select each area for which the nominee has expertise or oversight: Description of each Risk Profile can be found in the The 2023 ERO Reliability Risk Priorities Report

**Energy Policy,**  
**Resilience to Extreme Events,**  
**Security Risks,**  
**Critical Infrastructure Interdependencies,**  
**Grid Transformation**

## Q5

Select each NERC Region that you represent:

**WECC**

## Q6

Select each Industry Segment that you represent:

**Transmission Owners,**  
**Load-serving Entities,**  
**Electric Generators,**  
**Electricity Brokers, Aggregators, and Marketers**

**Q7**

Select each Registered Function for which the nominee has expertise or oversight: These functions are defined in the NERC Functional Model, which is downloadable from the NERC Web site.

- Balancing Authority,**
- Distribution Provider,**
- Generator Operator,**
- Generator Owner,**
- Load-Serving Entity,**
- Planning Coordinator,**
- Purchasing-Selling Entity,**
- Resource Planner,**
- Transmission Operator,**
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