

Minutes Regulatory Oversight Committee Meeting

May 8, 2024 | 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Eastern
Hybrid Meeting

In-Person (Board, MRC, NERC Staff ONLY)

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Mr. Robin E. Manning, Chair, called to order the duly noticed open meeting of the Board of Trustees Regulatory Oversight Committee (ROC or Committee) of the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) on May 8, 2024, at approximately 11:00 a.m. Eastern Time, and a quorum was declared present.

Present at the meeting were:

Committee Members

Robin E. Manning, Chair
George S. Hawkins
Larry Irving
Susan Kelly
Kristine Schmidt
Kenneth W. DeFontes, Jr., *ex officio*

Board of Trustees Members

James B. Robb, NERC President and Chief Executive Officer
Robert G. Clarke
Suzanne Keenan
Colleen Sidford

NERC Staff

Tina Buzzard, Assistant Corporate Secretary
Manny Cancel, Senior Vice President and CEO of the E-ISAC
Howard Gugel, Vice President, Compliance Assurance and Registration
Kelly Hanson, Senior Vice President, Chief Operating Officer
Latrice Harkness, Director, Standards Development
Soo Jin Kim, Vice President, Engineering and Standards
Mark Lauby, Senior Vice President and Chief Engineer
James McGrane, Senior Counsel
Kristin Miller, Director, Internal Audit
Kaiesha Morgan, Program Specialist, Corporate Governance and Enforcement
Lauren Perotti, Assistant General Counsel
Lonnie Ratliff, Director, Compliance Assurance and Certification
Sônia Rocha, Senior Vice President, General Counsel, and Corporate Secretary
Camilo Serna, Senior Vice President, Strategy and External Engagement
Teri Stasko, Assistant General Counsel and Director of Enforcement
Farzaneh Tafreshi, Manager Compliance Analysis and Reporting

Introduction and Chair’s Remarks

Chair Manning welcomed the members of the ROC and other attendees to the meeting. Chair Manning provided a brief summary of the May 7, 2024 Committee Executive Meeting.

NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines

Ms. Buzzard directed the participants’ attention to the NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines included in the advance agenda package and indicated that all questions regarding antitrust compliance or related matters should be directed to Ms. Rocha.

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Upon motion duly made and seconded, the ROC approved the February 14, 2024 ROC Open Meeting minutes.

Inverter-Based Resources Standards Coordination

Ms. Harkness provided background on Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Order No. 901, which includes directives on new or modified NERC Reliability Standard projects. She noted that Order No. 901 addresses a wide spectrum of reliability risks to the grid from the application of Inverter-Based Resources (IBRs). Ms. Harkness shared that NERC Standards staff has been working diligently to address directives due in November 2024, November 2025, and November 2026. NERC Standards staff also coordinated with other NERC departments to draft Standard Authorization Requests (SARs) that were socialized with the Reliability and Security Technical Committee. The SARs are scheduled for review at the May 2024 Standards Committee meeting.

Inverter-Based Resources Registration

Mr. Gugel provided an update on the NERC work plan to identify and register all unregistered owners and operators of IBRs that, in the aggregate, materially impact the reliable operation of the bulk power system. He shared that NERC and the Regional Entities recognize that this large-scale initiative to identify and register IBR candidates will require extensive communication to ensure the ERO Enterprise reaches this new audience. Mr. Gugel shared an overview of the ERO Enterprise comprehensive communications strategy to define the path for informing stakeholders on the progress of work plan activities and to ensure a timely and successful implementation.

ERO Enterprise CMEP Workshop

Mr. Ratliff stated that in April 2024, Organization Registration and Certification Program (ORCP) and Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Program (CMEP) staff from across the ERO Enterprise, FERC staff, and Canadian provincial compliance and enforcement staff attended the annual CMEP workshop. He provided an overview of the workshop, noting the theme for this year was “One CMEP” to focus on the importance of the relationship between registration, compliance, and enforcement activities.

ORCP and CMEP Dashboard

Ms. Tafreshi presented the ORCP and CMEP dashboard, stating that NERC and the Regional Entities work together to implement the regulatory functions related to the ORCP and CMEP. She explained that the visuals in the dashboard are intended to provide examples of indicators that Registration, Compliance Assurance, and Enforcement staff use to inform our risk-based activities individually and collectively as regulatory programs.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by,

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Sônia Rocha
Corporate Secretary