



Electric Reliability and Security for the West

WECC Criterion  
INT-007-WECC-CRT-4

## Introduction

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1. **Title:** Processing of Emergency Requests for Interchange (RFI)
2. **Number:** INT-007-WECC-CRT-4
3. **Purpose:** To define the processing of Emergency RFI
4. **Applicability:**
  - 4.1. **Functional Entities:**
    - 4.1.1. Balancing Authority
    - 4.1.2. Transmission Service Provider
5. **Effective Date:** December 6, 2022

## Requirements and Measures

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**WR1.** Each Balancing Authority, Transmission Service Provider, and each entity listed as an approving party on an Emergency RFI shall approve an Emergency RFI when each of the following conditions is met for a specific transaction:<sup>1</sup>

- 1) The RFI author has designated the RFI transaction type as an Emergency RFI;
- 2) The content of the Emergency RFI is correct and meets all North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC), North American Energy Standards Board (NAESB), and Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) requirements;
- 3) The Sink Balancing Authority has approved the RFI;
- 4) The duration of the RFI is two hours or less.

**WM1.** Each Balancing Authority, Transmission Service Provider, and each entity listed as an approving party on an Emergency RFI will have evidence that each Emergency RFI meeting all the above conditions was approved as required in WR1.

**WR2.** Each Sink Balancing Authority shall verify that the conditions of the Emergency RFI exist based on any of the following actual or anticipated conditions:

- Loss of generation, including potential violation of license requirements, regulations, or statutes that apply under normal operating conditions;
- Loss of transmission;
- Loss of resource due to transmission constraint;
- Inadequate reserves;
- At the request of the Reliability Coordinator.

**WM2.** Each Sink Balancing Authority verifying the conditions of the Emergency RFI will have evidence that each confirmed Emergency RFI met at least one of the requirements listed in WR2.

Evidence may include, but is not limited to, operator logs, voice recordings or transcripts of voice recordings, electronic communications, computer printouts, or other equivalent evidence that assisted the Sink Balancing Authority in adhering to WR2.

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<sup>1</sup> See Guidance, under Rationale section.



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### Version History

Version	Date	Action	Change Tracking
1	March 7, 2007	WECC Operating Committee approved	Initial
1	April 25, 2007	WECC Board of Directors approved	Initial
1	August 31, 2009	Updated format	No change
2	July 13, 2011	WECC Operating Committee approved	Address “emergency” verbiage; translated from Version Zero
2	September 22, 2011	WECC Board of Directors approved	Developed as WECC-0056.
2.1	October 3, 2011	Errata	“The Sink Balancing Authority” in WR2 was replaced with “Each Sink Balancing Authority”. The WM2 phrase, “Each Sink Balancing Authority and each Purchase-Selling Entity that requested the RFI shall have and provide upon request evidence that each Emergency Confirmed Interchange that the RFI met at least one of the requirements listed in WR2.” was changed to read, “Each Sink Balancing Authority that requested the RFI shall have and provide upon request, evidence that for each Emergency Confirmed Interchange the RFI met at least one of the requirements listed in WR2.” The change was made to eliminate the PSE that was not mentioned in the associated WR2.
2.1	September 5, 2012	WECC Board of Directors changed designation from “CRT” to “RBP.”	Designation change
2.1	June 25, 2014	WECC Board of Directors changed designation from “RBP” to “CRT.”	Designation change
2.2	January 28, 2016	Errata	In the Applicability section, plurals were changed to singular.
2.2	April 1, 2016	No change	Converted to new template
3	June 21, 2017	WECC Standards Committee approved	Developed as WECC-0121B. Five-year review. This project: 1) eliminated the Purchasing-Selling Entity (PSE) from the Applicability section, 2) generic language was added to WR1 filling the PSE void, and 3) an addition was made to the Guidance Section directing the reader to the WECC Process for Monitoring and Enforcement for information regarding adherence of PSEs.
3	December 6, 2017	WECC Board of Directors approved	The first day of the second quarter following WECC Board of Director approval. Effective Date April 1, 2018



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3.1	June 18, 2019	Errata	<p>Converted to newest template.</p> <p>In Version 3.1: 1) North American Electric Reliability Corporation and North American Energy Standards Board were spelled out for first use, 2) “all of” was replaced with “all” (WM1), 3) “in complying with WR2” was replaced with “in adhering to WR2” (WM2), and 4) Version History syntax was corrected.</p>
4	December 6, 2022	WECC Standards Committee (WSC) approved Non-Substantive change	<p>Developed as WECC-0151. The WSC approved the following Non-Substantive change at footnote 1: from “See Guidance section” to “See Guidance, under Rationale section.”</p>

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## Attachments

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Not used.



### Rationale

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A Rationale section is optional. If Rationale Boxes were used during the development of this project, the content of those boxes appears below.

#### Guidance

In WR1, Version 3, the Purchasing-Selling Entity (PSE) has been removed and replaced with the phrase “and each entity listed as an approving party on an Emergency RFI.”

This document acknowledges the regulatory trend of removing entities from compliance and adherence documents except where those entities are included in the NERC Compliance Registry. This document also acknowledges that entities such as the Purchasing-Selling Entity (PSE) and the Load-Serving Entity (LSE) continue to perform functions related to e-Tagging.

Adherence and monitoring of WECC Criterion, such as this document, continue to be addressed in The Process for Monitoring Adherence to Regional Criteria (Process) that encompasses “each entity listed as an approving party.” The Process does not require that a non-adhering entity be listed in the NERC Compliance Registry; rather, the non-adhering entity is simply referred to as the “Alleged Non-Adhering Party.”

(WECC Document Categorization Policy, Section 2.2, WECC Regional Criteria, Monitoring, and Enforcement (pages 5-6); see also WECC’s Process for Monitoring Adherence to WECC Regional Criterion Requirements.)