



Edmonton, Alberta, Canada

Hot Off the Press

Cold Weather Predicted

With cold conditions predicted for most of North America, WECC advises entities to prepare accordingly to minimize risks to the Western Interconnection. Entities managing the grid must possess the latest information on generating unit capabilities. It's crucial to review cold weather preparedness plans and checklists thoroughly. Preparing now for extreme cold weather reduces the risk to reliability in the future.

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WECC Reliability & Security Workshop—Registration Now Available March 25-26, 2025

Join us for the Reliability & Security Workshop in Tempe, Arizona, or virtually in Whova. Our workshops support Registered Entity compliance programs with robust, relevant content promoting the reliability and security of the Western Interconnection.

This workshop will focus on programmatic guidance for NERC Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Programs (CMEP), outline WECC priorities, discuss industry best practices, and share valuable insights from the Western Interconnection. Participants will leave equipped to develop and enhance their NERC compliance programs. View the announcement and register today!

Grid Gatherings: Upcoming Virtual Meetings

WECC's office will be closed on January 20 for Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

Join the WECC-0142 BAL-002-WECC-3 Request to Retire Drafting Team meeting from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 21.

Connect with the Production Cost Data Subcommittee from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, January 22.

Stay engaged and make your voice heard in these essential discussions.

We're Hiring



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ELECTRIFYING TRIVIA



A simple device that opens and closes an electrical unit is called a(an):

1. Volt
2. Discharge
3. Switch
4. Ampere

ERO Buzz

2025 ERO Enterprise Women's Leadership Conference

The virtual conference will be held on Tuesday, March 04, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Central and will feature impactful discussions on a variety of topics, such as women's contributions across the energy sector, leadership, workplace wellness, and much more. Register now!

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NERC Board Invokes 321 Authority for EOP-012-3

Multiple events since 2011 have shown the risks to reliability that can result when generators fail to take the necessary steps to ensure reliability when the grid needs it the most. Better preparation measures have helped avoid these impacts during more recent winter storms.

In June 2024, FERC approved EOP-012-2 and directed NERC to submit a revised version to address and clarify several aspects. The draft EOP-012-3 standard only achieved 44.54% approval on its most recent ballot, representing only a 2% improvement from the previous ballot, and far from the 67% needed under NERC's usual stakeholder ballot process.

To meet FERC's March 27, 2025, deadline, and in deference to the importance of this standard, NERC's board invoked its authority under Section 321.5 of NERC's Rules of Procedure. Under this authority, the board directed the Standards Committee, with the assistance of stakeholders and NERC staff, to prepare a responsive standard, which will then be posted for a 45-day public comment period no later than January 29. A special board meeting will take place in March to review the standard and a complete record, including the comments submitted during the public comment period. Read the full announcement here.

ELECTRIFYING : TRIVIA ANSWER :

3. Switch. A switch is a simple device that can open and close an electrical circuit. It is used to control the flow of electricity by either allowing or interrupting the current. When the switch is in the "on" position, it completes the circuit and allows electricity to flow. When it is in the "off" position, it breaks the circuit and stops the flow of electricity. Therefore, a switch is the correct term for a device that opens and closes an electrical unit.