

Hot Off the Press

Board of Directors Meeting
The quarterly Board of Directors and associated meetings were held in Salt Lake City, Utah, on March 11 and 12. Highlights include:

- Section 4.9 Review Work Group—Proposed Bylaws Amendments
- Board approved updated Member Advisory Committee (MAC) and WECC Standards Committee (WSC) charters
- Melanie Frye, WECC CEO, spoke about the Delegation Agreement, which expires at the end of 2025; NERC and Regional Entities negotiating for 2026–2030
- Board approved changes to the Principles of Corporate Governance
- Technical Session: Large Load Impacts on the BPS

Planning Reserve Margin Analysis Released
WECC has released the [Western Assessment of Resource Adequacy: Planning Reserve Margin Analysis](#). This report provides supplemental information related to demand at risk hour frequency and magnitude with different Planning Reserve Margin assumptions for the Western Interconnection as a whole and at a subregional level.

Spring is Almost Here!
Spring begins on March 20, bringing warmer weather, but extreme cold can still affect higher elevations and northern areas in the West. WECC staff worked with registered generation entities on cold weather preparedness, several entities exhibited actions strengthening their approach, including:

- Incorporating insights from disturbance reports and lessons learned into their plans.
- Participating in industry forums and groups ([WICE](#), [SGAS](#), [NAGF](#)) to share site issues.
- Documenting plans for end-of-season reviews focusing on enhancing local site plans and fleet-wide strategies.

Spring is an ideal time to reflect on these practices to better prepare for next winter.

British Columbia Align Implementation
In March, WECC began Align training and implementation activities for registered entities in British Columbia. Attend the upcoming training session for instructions and a demonstration of Align. This session covers Self-Reports and mitigation:

- [March 18, 9:30–11:00 a.m. Pacific](#)

Registration Closes March 21—Reliability & Security Workshop
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.

The workshop [agenda](#) 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!

Reliability in the West Discussion Series
The Reliability in the West Discussion Series will now take place on Wednesday, April 9, at 11:00 a.m. Mountain to prevent a scheduling conflict with the CREPC/WIRAB meeting, allowing full participation for all stakeholders.

Grid Gatherings: Upcoming Meetings

Join the Interchange Scheduling and Energy Accounting Subcommittee (ISEAS) from 10:00 a.m. to noon Mountain on [Monday](#), March 17.

Attend the BC Align Training: Access, Self-Reports, and Mitigation from 10:30 a.m. to noon Mountain on [Tuesday](#), March 18.

Come to the Production Cost Data Subcommittee (PCDS) meeting from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. Mountain on [Wednesday](#), March 19.

Participate in the Reliability & Security Oversight Update from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m. Mountain on [Thursday](#), March 20.

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

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D) Electric Meter
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What device measures the amount of electricity used by a household?
A) Voltmeter
B) Ammeter
C) Wattmeter
D) Electric Meter

Time to Act

GridSecCon 2025 – Submit Abstracts Now
NERC, the Electricity Information Sharing and Analysis Center (E-ISAC), and WECC are pleased to announce the call for abstracts for GridSecCon 2025, taking place October 7-10 at the MGM Grand in Las Vegas. Presenting at GridSecCon 2025 provides a unique platform to:

- Elevate your position as an industry leader.
- Show your expertise, innovative research, or field advancements to industry professionals.
- Engage with cybersecurity and physical security experts, fostering knowledge exchange and collaboration.

As we continue to advance the dialog on cybersecurity, physical security, and other relevant industry trends, we invite grid security professionals and decision-makers, asset owners and operators, and experts from industry and government to share their insights and best practices.

Submission Details:

- Themes: Submissions across a broad range of topics are encouraged, including cybersecurity, physical security, and emerging trends and challenges within the electric sector, such as ransomware, drones, AI, and more.
- Format: Abstracts should be limited to 350 words outlining the main objectives, significant themes, and overall relevance to the conference.
- Deadline: Friday, April 4, by 11:59 p.m. Eastern.

Submit your abstract [here](#). A panel of experts will evaluate the abstracts, then make a selection based on their relevance, originality, and clarity. Notifications of acceptance will be sent by April 28. For further details about the conference and submission guidelines, visit the [E-ISAC website](#).

IBR Registration Initiative Request for Information
The Regional Entities, as part of a broader ERO Enterprise initiative, are identifying assets that meet the new Category 2 Generator Owner (GO) and/or Generator Operator (GOP) registration criteria. They are sending Requests for Information (RFI) to entities likely owning or operating these Category 2 assets for assessment. The entities selected for RFIs are based on WECC's review of data from Transmission Owners, Balancing Authorities, or the U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA) to facilitate registration.

WECC began dispatching its RFIs in batches starting January 24, 2025. Recipients must submit the requested information within 45 days via WECC's [Secure Workspace](#). The submission includes:

- Completing the “4b Category 2 GO GOP Assets” section of the [ERO Enterprise GO GOP Asset Verification Form](#)
- Providing operational one-line diagrams that show the IBR Resource(s) (including the Collector System – Feeders + Resources) and the Point of Interconnection to the Bulk Power System
- Submitting Generator Operator Service Agreements or Third-Party Agreements
- Providing Generator Interconnection Agreements

For any questions about this RFI or the IBR Registration Initiative, please contact registration@wecc.org.

ERO Buzz

Register for FERC–NERC Joint Supply Chain Workshop
FERC and NERC will hold a workshop on March 20, from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Eastern at FERC (888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426).

The workshop will focus on the assessment aspect of supply chain risk management (SCRM). The workshop will discuss the proposed directive in FERC's September 19, 2024, [Notice of Proposed Rulemaking](#) (NOPR) in FERC Docket No. RM24-4-000. This NOPR requires entities to establish SCRM plans that validate the completeness and accuracy of information from vendors during the procurement process. This will better inform the identification and assessment of supply chain risks associated with vendors' software, hardware, or services. [Register](#) to attend in-person today. FERC will post information on virtual participation on the Calendar of Events on its [website](#) before the event.

Compliance Guidance: ERO Enterprise Endorsement Withdrawal
Effective March 12, the ERO Enterprise has withdrawn its endorsement of the CIP-014-2, R1 Transmission System Risk Assessment (NATF) Implementation Guidance. Upon review, the ERO Enterprise determined that the North American Transmission Forum (NATF) Guidance as written changes the scope of the requirements in CIP-014-2 by indicating that stability studies are optional, even though stability studies are required by the standard. See the [Non-Endorsed Implementation Guidance Spreadsheet](#) for additional information.

SERC System Operator Conferences
SERC's System Operator Conferences (SOC) provide NERC-certified System Operators with the opportunity to earn Continuing Education Hours (CEH). Open to all industry professionals, these in-person conferences will take place four times in 2025.

The theme for 2025 SOC's is “Navigating the Changing Energy Landscape.” The System Operator Conference details and registration can be accessed through [SERC University](#) (SERCU). Registration for all 2025 System Operator Conferences is now open, with the following sessions available:

- SOC #1: April 8–10, 2025 – Embassy Suites, Greenville, SC
- SOC #2: May 6–8, 2025 – SERC Office, Charlotte, NC
- SOC #3: September 9–11, 2025 – Embassy Suites, Little Rock, AR
- SOC #4: October 14–16, 2025 – SERC Office, Charlotte, NC