

Announcement

Board Initiates Standards Modernization Task Force, Elects New Chair, Bids Farewell to Longtime Trustee

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MIAMI – The NERC Board of Trustees began its first meeting of 2025 by establishing a standards modernization task force, approving three resolutions for outstanding service and electing a new Board chair and vice chair. Ken DeFontes, outgoing Board chair, opened the meeting by reflecting on the accomplishments during his chairmanship.

“We have accomplished so much over the past four years — I couldn’t have imagined it was even possible,” DeFontes said. *“We were able to do this because of the commitment of the Board, Jim Robb, the NERC team and our stakeholders. This is one of the most special boards I’ve ever served on, and I look forward to continuing to serve.”*

The Board issued a resolution establishing the Modernize Standards Process and Procedures Task Force to initiate a strategic review of the Reliability Standards development process ensuring that standards can be developed in a more efficient and effective manner to better address a complex and rapidly evolving risk landscape. The Board appointed Greg Ford, president and chief executive officer (CEO) of Georgia System Operations Corporation, to serve as chair and Todd Lucas, vice president of Transmission Operations and Policy at Southern Company, as vice chair of the task force.

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