# Introduction

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**:
   1. Functional Entities:
      1. Balancing Authority
      2. Transmission Service Provider
5. **Effective** **Date**: December 6, 2022

# Requirements and Measures

1. 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:[[1]](#footnote-1)
2. The RFI author has designated the RFI transaction type as an Emergency RFI;
3. 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;
4. The Sink Balancing Authority has approved the RFI;
5. The duration of the RFI is two hours or less.
   1. 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.
6. 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.
  1. 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.

# Version History

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| 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 |
| 3.1 | June 18, 2019 | Errata | Converted to newest template.  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. |
| 4 | December 6, 2022 | WECC Standards Committee (WSC) approved Non-Substantive change | The WSC approved the following Non-Substantive change at footnote 1: from “See Guidance section” to “See Guidance, under Rationale section.” |

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# Attachments

Not used.

# Rationale

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.)

1. See Guidance, under Rationale section. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)