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Reliability Standards Program Regional Standards Committee

<u>Item</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
RSC	Regional Standards Committee	<p>The NPCC Regional Standards Committee (RSC), a committee of the NPCC Board, is primarily charged with management and maintenance of the NPCC Regional Standard Processes Manual (approved by FERC Dec. 23, 2014 superseding the NPCC Reliability Standards Development Procedure). The RSC considers requests for new or revised standards and be available for advisement to the NPCC Board of Directors on standards related matters. The RSC works in coordination with the Regional Standards Process Manager (RSPM) who is the administrator for the NPCC Regional Standard Processes Manual. In addition, the RSC reviews, comments on, and develops ballot recommendations for the NERC Reliability Standards under review or development. The RSC also provides oversight for the NPCC Regional Reliability Directories which contain NPCC’s more stringent regional Criteria and supporting procedures and guidelines. The RSC also conducts and coordinates the NPCC Cost Effectiveness Analysis Procedure (CEAP) for evaluation of the cost effectiveness of NPCC’s Regional Standards and Directories. The RSC provides input to the NERC “Periodic Review Projects” and the NERC version of the CEAP being referred to as cost effectiveness and is providing input into the “Standards Efficiency Review” (SER) project. The SER allows the industry the opportunity to identify potential standard requirements which could be candidates for retirement. The RSC also discusses potential avenues to address potential reliability related issues associated with distribution level Distributed Energy Resources (DER). In addition, the RSC coordinates work with the CC to address any issues identified with standards to improve standards and reliability. The RSC also is sanctioned in the Compliance Guidance Policy process to vet potential approaches to compliance prior to submission to NERC.</p> <p>Status/ Comments:</p> <p>The RSC is focused on the review of each of the NERC Reliability Standards (as they are developed, revised or reviewed for reaffirmation or retirement). The RSC is currently reviewing all the FERC Orders and NOPRs that pertain to Reliability Standards. The RSC develops recommendations for the membership on ballots when posted. The RSC also supports the NERC Standards Efficiency Review, Functional Model Working Group, NERC Standards Committee, and the NERC Standards Committee Process Subcommittee. The RSC is in the process of reviewing the NPCC Regional Reliability Standards Development Procedure, renamed the Regional Standard Processes Manual, which was approved by FERC Dec. 23, 2014, and was filed with the Provincial Authorities. The RSC continues to participate in the NERC Standard Processes Manual revisions and the Results Based Standards Initiative through its support of the Standards Committee Process Subcommittee and solicits members for the NERC drafting teams as necessary to ensure NPCC is adequately represented. The RSC is actively supporting the Order 706 Cyber Security Standards development and revision process. The RSC has been overseeing Phase II of the NPCC Directory project which will translate the criteria in the Directories into specific “requirements” on which compliance may be assessed and the Strategic Review of NPCC Criteria.</p>



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Regional Standards Committee

<u>Item</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
RSC	Regional Standards Committee	<p>The RSC continues to consider enhancements to the NPCC Website to provide further uniformity and consistency with that of NERC and other Regions.</p> <p>The RSC is currently engaged in reviewing a potential approach to penetration of DER and adverse impact on the BES. The RSC has been active with the development and approval of RSAR which addresses the scope of work and the review of PRC-006-NPCC-1 <i>Automatic Underfrequency Load Shedding</i> with its corresponding continent-wide NERC standard. The PRC-006-NPCC-01 Automatic Underfrequency Load Shedding drafting team has conducted a number of in-person meetings and conference calls. All requirements have been reviewed by the SDT and the draft standard was posted for a second 45-days comment period which will conclude on May 31, 2018. The drafting team will convene in June in order to draft responses to the comments and make necessary modifications. All comment responses will be posted onto NPCC website and the drafting team is in the process of finalizing the redline document in order to post it for a second 45-days comment period. The RSC is also working with NERC to determine how to address the SAR submitted by the CEA for the TPL-007-1 GMD standard.</p>



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<u>Item</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Appendices</u>	<u>Lead TF</u>	<u>Current Version</u>
DIR-1	Basic Criteria for the Design And Operation of the Bulk Power System	Appendix A – ERO Standards Appendix B – Guidelines and Procedures for NPCC Area Transmission Review Appendix C – Procedure for Testing and Analysis of Extreme Contingencies Appendix D – Guidelines for Area Review of Resource Adequacy Appendix E – Guidelines for Requesting Exclusions to Sections 5.4.1 (B) and 5.5.1 (B) of NPCC Directory No. 1 - Design and Operation of the Bulk Power System Appendix F – Procedure for Operational Planning Coordination Appendix G – Procedure for Inter Reliability Coordinator Area Voltage Control	TFCP TFCP TFCP TFCP TFCP TFCO* TFCO*	September 30, 2015

Status/ Comments:

The Task Force on Coordination of Planning (TFCP) and the Task Force on Coordination of Operation (TFCO) completed their collaborative review of Directory No. 1 in 2015. The NPCC Full Member committee approved the most recent version of Directory No. 1 on September 30, 2015.

Currently the RCC is monitoring an Implementation Plan governing protection upgrades in New England.

The TFCP has considered a Request for Criteria Clarification submitted by the New York State Reliability Council (NYSRC). The request seeks clarity on the language in Table No. 1 (Planning Criteria) regarding station circuit breaker configuration after certain N-1-1 events. The TFCP Clarification was posted to the Open Process and the TFCP considered comments at its meeting on May 10 and 11. The TFCP Clarification will be submitted to the RCC for approval at its May 30, 2018 meeting.



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<u>Item</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Appendices</u>	<u>Lead TF</u>	<u>Current Version</u>
DIR-2	Emergency Operation	Appendix A – Definition of Terms Appendix B - Guideline and Procedure for Emergency Operation	TFCO TFCO TFCO	June 26, 2009

Status/ Comments:

The Task Force on Coordination of Operation (TFCO) and its CO-8 Working Group have posted a revised version of Directory No. 2 *Emergency Operations* to the Open Process on December 30, 2017.

The Directory No. 2 criteria has been reformatted into NERC style requirements and has been reviewed to ensure the criteria is consistent with recently approved ERO Standards.

The NPCC Open Process posting concluded on February 13, 2018 and TFCO has considered comments received and developed responses to the comments. The TFCO will be presenting the revised version of Directory No. 2 to the RCC for approval at its May 30, 2018 meeting. Subsequent to RCC approval, Directory No.2 will be presented to the Full Member Committee for an approval ballot.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Appendices</u>	<u>Lead TF</u>	<u>Current Version</u>
DIR-3	Maintenance Criteria for Bulk Power System Protection	Appendix A – Definition of Terms Appendix B – Guidelines and Procedures for Maintenance of Bulk Power System Protection	TFSP TFSP TFSP	Retired

Status/ Comments:

The Task Force on System Protection completed a technical comparison of the criteria in Directory No. 3 with PRC-005-2 *Protection System Maintenance* and recommended that the criteria in Directory No. 3 be retired.

The RCC approved the TFSP recommendation and on October 15, 2014 the NPCC Full Membership voted to approve the retirement of Directory No. 3, effective April 1, 2015, upon the enforcement date of PRC -005-2 *Protection System Maintenance*.



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<u>Item</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Appendices</u>	<u>Lead TF</u>	<u>Current Version</u>
DIR-4	BPS Protection Criteria	<p>Appendix A – Guideline for Bulk Power System Protection</p> <p>Appendix B - Procedure for Reporting to TFSP New and Modified Protection Systems</p>	<p>TFSP</p> <p>TFSP</p>	September 30, 2015
	Status/ Comments:	The Task Force on System Protection is currently reviewing Directory No. 4 in advance of an anticipated Open Process posting during 2018.		

<u>Item</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Appendices</u>	<u>Lead TF</u>	<u>Current Version</u>
DIR-5	Reserve	<p>Appendix 1 – Monitoring Procedure for Interconnected System Frequency Response</p> <p>Appendix 2 – Monitoring Procedures for Reserve Criteria</p> <p>Appendix 3 – Procedures during Abnormal Operating Conditions</p> <p>Appendix 4 – Guidelines for SAR Allocation Following Radial Source Contingencies</p> <p>Appendix 5 – NPCC Control Performance Reporting Process</p> <p>Appendix 6 – Light Load Conditions</p> <p>Appendix 7 – Participation Request Form - Simultaneous Activation of Reserve and Ace Diversity Interchange</p>	<p>TFCO</p> <p>TFCO</p> <p>TFCO</p> <p>TFCO</p> <p>TFCO</p> <p>TFCO</p> <p>TFCO</p>	October 11, 2012

Status/ Comments: The Task Force on Coordination of Operation (TFCO) and its CO-1 Working Group are reviewing a draft version of Directory No. 5 which has been reformatted into NERC style requirements. The review will also include a comprehensive review of the criteria to ensure that it remains consistent with recently approved ERO standards. The TFCO anticipates posting the revised version of Directory No. 5 to the NPCC Open Process in late 2018 or early 2019.



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DIR-6	Regional Reserve Sharing		TFCO	April 6, 2012

Status/Comments: Directory No. 6 was developed in Phase 2 format and approved by the NPCC Full Membership on April 6, 2012.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Appendices</u>	<u>Lead TF</u>	<u>Current Version</u>
DIR-7	Special Protection System	Attachment 1 – Definition of Terms Appendix A – Guidance for Consideration in SPS Design Criteria Appendix B – Procedure for Review of Special Protection Systems	TFSP TFSP TFSP TFCP	July 9, 2013

Status/ Comments: The Task Force on System Protection (TFSP) is currently reviewing Directory No. 7 in advance of an anticipated NPCC Open Process posting during 2018. In parallel with the TFSP review of the Directory No. 7 criteria, the Task Force on Coordination of Planning (TFCP) is coordinating a review of Directory No. 7 Appendix B to consider revisions to the Appendix to ensure the review and approval process for a Special Protection System (SPS) is consistent with PRC -012-2 *Remedial Action Schemes* and the revised definition of Remedial Action Schemes (RAS). The TFCP will also provide a recommendation on revisions to the NPCC Glossary definition for SPS.



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DIR-8	System Restoration	<p>Appendix A – Table 1 “Standard Test Procedures for key facilities and associated critical components required for system restoration.</p> <p>Appendix B: NERC ERO Reliability Standards</p> <p>Appendix C-Table 2: Comparison of Test Procedures for Critical Components of Key Facilities of the System Restoration Plan</p>	TFCO	October 6, 2017
	Status/ Comments:	<p>On October 6, 2017 the Full Member Committee approved revisions to Directory No. 8, which included reformatting the criteria into NERC style requirements, elimination of certain duplicative battery testing requirements contained in PRC -005 and revisions to three restoration Glossary terms. The Task Force on Coordination of Operation (TFCO) is currently reviewing a Request for Criteria Clarification submitted by the Consolidated Edison Company. The request seeks clarity on the language in Requirement R.10.2 and the requirements for battery interruption tests and battery continuity tests. The TFCO has collaborated with the Task Force on System Protection (TFSP) and will recommend further revisions to the Directory No. 8 criteria in order to address the Con Edison Clarification Request. The TFSP anticipates providing draft language for TFCO consideration and posting at its May meeting.</p>		
<u>Item</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Appendices</u>	<u>Lead TF</u>	<u>Current Version</u>
DIR-9	NPCC Verification of Generator Gross and Net Real Power Capability	<p>Appendix A – Definition of Terms</p> <p>Appendix B – Basic Flow Chart for Verification of Generator Gross and Net Real Power Capability</p>	TFCO/TFCP ¹ TFCO/TFCP ¹	December 29, 2011
	Status/ Comments:	<p>The Task Force on Coordination of Operation (TFCO) has completed a technical comparison of the Directory No. 9 criteria with the requirements of MOD-25-2 and concluded that Directory No. 9 can be retired without creating a reliability gap. The RCC approved TFCO’s recommendation to retire Directory No. 9 along with seven existing NPCC Glossary terms contained solely within Directories No. 9 and No. 10 at its May 31, 2017 meeting, with the effective date to coincide with the completion of the MOD-25-2 Implementation Plan. On August 3, 2017, the NPCC Full Member Committee voted to approve the retirement of NPCC Regional Reliability Directory No. 9 <i>Verification of Real Power Capability</i> and seven existing NPCC Glossary terms contained solely within Directories No. 9 and No. 10, effective July 1, 2019.</p>		



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DIR-10	NPCC Verification of Generator Gross and Net Reactive Power Capability	Appendix A – Definition of Terms Appendix B1 – Basic Flow Chart for Verification of Generator Gross and Net Reactive Power Capability Appendix B2 – Generator Reactive Capability Form	TFCO TFCO/TFCP ¹ TFCO/TFCP ¹ TFCO/TFCP ¹	December 29, 2011
	Status/ Comments:	The Task Force on Coordination of Operation has completed a technical comparison of the Directory No. 10 criteria with the requirements of MOD-25-2 and concluded that Directory No. 10 can be retired without creating a reliability gap. RCC approved TFCO's recommendation to retire Directory No. 10 along with seven existing NPCC Glossary terms contained solely within Directories No. 9 and No. 10 at its May 31, 2017 meeting, with the effective date to coincide with the completion of the MOD-25-2 Implementation Plan. On August 3, 2017, the NPCC Full Member Committee voted to approve the retirement of NPCC Regional Reliability Directory No. 10 Verification of Reactive Power Capability and seven existing NPCC Glossary terms contained solely within Directories No. 9 and No.10, effective July 1, 2019.		



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<u>Item</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Appendices</u>	<u>Lead TF</u>	<u>Current Version</u>
DIR-11	Disturbance Monitoring Equipment Criteria		TFSP	October 24, 2016
		Appendix A – Guide to Time Synchronization of Substation Equip.	TFSP	
		Appendix B – Guide for Application of DME	TFSP	
		Appendix C – Guide for Generator Sequence of Events Monitoring	TFSP	
	Status/ Comments:	<p>On October 24, 2016 the NPCC Full Member Committee voted to approve regional Reliability Directory No. 11 <i>Disturbance Monitoring Equipment Criteria</i>.</p> <p>Also approved was the concurrent retirement of the following NPCC documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A-15 – “<i>Disturbance Monitoring Criteria</i>” ● B-25 – “<i>Guide to Time Synchronization of Substation Equipment</i>” ● B-26 – “<i>Guide for Application Disturbance Monitoring Equipment</i>” ● B-28 – “<i>Guide for Generator Sequence of Events Monitoring</i>” <p>Directory No. 11 will augment PRC-002-2 <i>Disturbance Monitoring and Reporting Requirements</i> and guide the effective application of equipment necessary to capture the data required by the NERC standard.</p>		



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<u>Item</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Appendices</u>	<u>Lead TF</u>	<u>Current Version</u>
DIR-12	UFLS Load Shedding Program Requirements	Appendix A – Definition of Terms	TFSS TFSS	July 9, 2013
	Status/ Comments:	<p>Directory No. 12 was revised by the Task Force on System Studies (TFSS) to synchronize the UFLS program tolerance bands in Directory No. 12 with those in the UFLS Regional Standard PRC-006-NPCC-1, allowing Regional entities to implement a program that is consistent with the Regional Standard and the SS-38 Working Group design recommendations as part of the ongoing six-year UFLS Implementation Plan. The NPCC Full Membership approved the revised Directory No. 12 on July 9, 2013.</p> <p>Currently a Regional Standard Drafting Team is reviewing PRC-006-NPCC-1 and will also review Directory No. 12 to ensure that all required program performance characteristics in the Directory No. 12 criteria have been incorporated into the Regional Standard. Pending all approvals of the revised Regional Standard Directory No. 12 will be considered for retirement.</p>		
<u>Item</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Criteria</u>	<u>Lead TF</u>	<u>Current Version</u>
A-01	Criteria for Review and Approval of Documents		TFCP	April 21, 2017
	Status/ Comments:	<p>The Regional Standards Committee (RSC) is currently updating the NPCC <i>Directory Development and Revision Manual</i> and as part of this review, relevant sections of the A-01 <i>Criteria for Review and Approval of Documents</i> will be incorporated into the Directory Manual for the purposes of retiring the A-01. The revised and updated NPCC Directory Manual, including sections of the A-01 document, has been posted to the NPCC Open Process until June 9, 2018.</p>		



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<u>Item</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Criteria</u>	<u>Lead TF</u>	<u>Current Version</u>
A-10	Classification of Bulk Power System Elements		TFCP	December 1, 2009
	Status/ Comments:	<p>The Task Force on Coordination of Planning and its CP-11 Working Group are conducting a review of the A-10 methodology.</p> <p>The review is considering existing and alternative methodologies to: 1) identify critical facilities for the applicability of NPCC Directories 2) simplify the existing methodology to make it less labor intensive, and 3) improve consistency across Areas in application and outcomes of the methodology.</p> <p>The CP-11 Working Group presented three methodologies to the RCC which were approved for further testing during Phase 2 of the review in 2018. Currently, the CP-11 Working Group has drafted an Action Plan which will govern the Phase 2 review and calls for a preferred methodology to be presented to the RCC by December of 2018. The CP-11 Working Group anticipates presenting the first iteration of test results to the Task Force of Coordination of Planning by June 30, 2018.</p>		



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Directory Development and Revision Manual

Item	Name	Assignment	Current Version
Directory	Directory Development and Revision Manual	The NPCC Directory Development and Revision Manual is intended to provide guidance regarding the process of establishing a new or revised Directory and will clarify the roles and responsibilities of the NPCC Task Forces responsible for Directory content.	October 3, 2014

Status/ Comments:

The Directory Development and Revision Manual was revised in 2013 to incorporate changes in the approval process for a Criteria Interpretation (clarification) and to consider revisions to the Manual that incorporate cost considerations for new or revised criteria.

The RSC is currently reviewing the Directory Development and Revision Manual and has drafted a revised and updated document that proposes incorporating the A-01 document into the Manual in advance of retiring the A-01. The Directory Manual has been posted to the Open Process to receive Member comment until June 9, 2018.

NPCC Glossary of Terms

Item	Name	Assignment	Current Version
Glossary	NPCC Glossary of Terms	The NPCC Glossary of Terms has replaced the A7 document and was approved by the RSC on October 26, 2011. The Glossary contains the definitions of all terms found within NPCC Directories, Guidelines, and Procedures. The Glossary is organized in sections containing those terms found in Directories (including Appendices) which support the NPCC criteria and another Section for definitions found within remaining NPCC B and C documents. The Glossary is located in the Directory section of the NPCC website.	October 26, 2011



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Regional Standards

<u>Item</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>	<u>Current Version</u>	
PRC-002-NPCC-01	Disturbance Monitoring	This Standard establishes the technical and reporting requirements for disturbance monitoring equipment. This will lead to improved system reliability by providing the resources to do post event analyses.	Latest Version:	Retired
	Status/ Comments:	<p>The proposal to retire PRC-002-NPCC-01 <i>Disturbance Monitoring</i> regional standard was approved by the NPCC Board on March 23, 2016 and by the NERC Board of Trustees on May 5, 2016. After NERC Board approval, a petition to retire the regional standard was filed with FERC on June 9, 2016 and it was filed with all Canadian Provinces on June 14, 2016.</p> <p>FERC issued an approval letter for the retirement of Regional Reliability Standard PRC-002-NPCC-01 <i>Disturbance Monitoring</i> on August 16, 2016.</p>		
			Date:	August 16, 2016

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Item	Name	Assignment	Current Version	
PRC-006 NPCC-1	Under Frequency Load Shedding (UFLS)	This Standard will provide the requirements for implementing an automatic under frequency load shedding program in order to effectively respond to system under frequency events.	Latest Version:	New
			Frequency of Reviews:	3 years
			Next Review Date:	February 2016
	Status/ Comments:	<p>FERC approved PRC-006-NPCC-1 and its Implementation Plan on February 21, 2013. Based on the FERC approved Implementation Plan the enforcement date for requirements R1 – R7 is January 1, 2016. Requirements R8 – R23 became on enforceable on July 1, 2015.</p> <p>As a result of developments regarding NERC PRC-006-1/PRC-006-2 <i>Automatic Underfrequency Load Shedding</i>, PRC-024-1/PRC-024-2 <i>Generator Frequency and Voltage Protective Relay Settings</i>, Project 2014-01 <i>Standards Applicability for Dispersed Generation Resources</i>, NPCC Directory No. 12 <i>Underfrequency Load Shedding Program Requirements</i>, and the <i>2013 NPCC UFLS Adequacy Assessment</i>, a RSAR for revision of Automatic Underfrequency Load Shedding PRC-006-NPCC-1 was approved by the Regional Standards Committee at its June 23, 2015 meeting. The RCC approved the Regional Standards Committee’s request to assign the TFSS to the project scope outlined in the RSAR and to populate the Drafting Team. On October 7, 2015, the RSC approved the drafting team roster as per the recommendation of the TFSS leadership. The PRC-006-NPCC-01 Automatic UFLS drafting team met nine times and two conference calls. The draft redline of the regional standard was posted for a 45-days comment period which concluded on October 16, 2017. The drafting team convened on October 25, 2017 in order to draft responses to the comments and make necessary modifications. All comment responses are now posted on the NPCC website. The drafting team is in the process of finalizing the redline document in order to post it for a second 45-days comment period.</p>		

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Item	Name	Assignment	Current Version	
BAL-002-NPCC-01	Regional Reserve Sharing Groups	The Standard provides the measures for implementing Reserve Sharing Groups within NPCC in order to meet their reserve obligations.	Latest Version:	New
	Status/ Comments:	The RSAR has been developed and approved by the RSC. The RCC has assigned the TFCO to act as the drafting team and a request for drafting team members was sent to the NPCC membership. At its meeting of April 14 and 15, 2011, the TFCO established a sub-group of TFCO members and NPCC staff that will work on the Reserve Sharing Groups Standard's development. The development of Regional Standards has been held in abeyance pending further direction from NERC.	Frequency of Reviews:	3 years
			Next Review Date:	

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Regional Standards Development Procedure

Item	Name	Assignment	Current Version	
RSPM	Regional Standard	The NPCC Regional Standard Processes Manual describes the procedures, policies, and practices implemented to ensure an “open, fair, and inclusive” process for the transparent initiation, development, implementation and revision of the NPCC Regional Standards necessary for the reliable operation of the Interconnected Bulk Power System in northeastern North America.	Latest Version:	Dec, 23 2014
			Frequency of Reviews:	3 years
			Next Review Date:	Dec. 23, 2017
	Status/ Comments:	The Regional Standard Processes Manual (RSMP) is posted on the NPCC Website. The RSC is actively reviewing the activities at the NERC level to ensure the regional procedure is consistent with the NERC Standard Processes Manual and achieves a consistency with the NERC common attributes adhered to by the other Regions. The RSPM was posted for a 45-day comment period December. 7, 2011. It was reposted June 6, 2013 through July 22, 2013 for comments. The Regional Standard Processes Manual passed the ballot that was posted November 12, 2013 through January 17, 2014. The document was approved by the NPCC Board of Directors and NERC Board at its August 14, 2014 meeting. The RSPM was approved by FERC on December. 23, 2014.		



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Compliance Enforcement and Organization Registration and Certification Program

Compliance Committee

Item	Name	Assignment
CC	NPCC Compliance Committee	<p>The NPCC Compliance Committee is charged with providing independent policy input for the NPCC Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Program (CMEP). The NPCC CMEP covers compliance assessment and enforcement of NERC Reliability Standards, Regional Reliability Standards, and NPCC Reliability Criteria (NPCC Directories). Regarding NERC Reliability Standards and Regional Reliability Standards, the CC provides an oversight role to the NPCC Compliance Staff's implementation of the CMEP. In this oversight role, the CC will endorse the compliance procedures (CP) used by the NPCC Compliance Staff in the conduct of the CMEP. In addition, the CC is responsible for providing non-monetary sanction recommendations to the RCC for incidents of non-compliance with monitored Reliability Criteria.</p> <p>Status/ Comments: At the March 22, 2018 CC meeting, revisions to Compliance Procedure CP-06 <i>Guided Self Certification and Self Reporting</i>, CP-07 <i>Procedure for Technical Feasibility Exceptions</i>, and CP-09 <i>Procedure for NPCC Bulk Electric System Database</i> were all approved.</p>



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Compliance Enforcement and Organization Registration and Certification Program

NPCC Compliance Committee

Documents

<u>Item</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
CCEP	Criteria Compliance and Enforcement Program	<p>The CC will maintain the <i>NPCC Criteria Compliance and Enforcement Program Process Document (CCEP-1)</i> which documents the process for actively monitoring and enforcing compliance on a subset of the Reliability Criteria.</p> <p>The Compliance Committee will provide to the RCC for approval an annual CCEP Implementation Plan which identifies the Reliability Criteria that will be monitored in the upcoming CCEP compliance year and identifies the due dates for the Reliability Criteria Certification forms.</p> <p>The Compliance Committee will provide to the RCC for approval an annual written assessment of the submitted Reliability Criteria Certification forms which will include recommendations as necessary of non-monetary sanctions for incidents of non-compliance.</p> <p>Status/ Comments: The Compliance Committee is currently reviewing the Directory certification submittals associated with the 2017 CCEP Implementation Plan. A recommendation report will be developed and shared at the September 2018 RCC meeting. The Compliance Committee is also reviewing the forms that will be part of the 2019 CCEP Implementation Plan. The 2019 Plan will be presented at the December 2018 RCC meeting.</p>



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Training, Education, and Operator Certification Program

TASK FORCE ON COORDINATION OF OPERATION

Item	Name	Assignment
CO-2	System Operator Training	This Working Group establishes a program for system operator training relating to NPCC Inc. inter-Area matters, Working Group criteria, terminology, policies, and operating instructions. It prepares and presents material at system operator training sessions, exchanges information on internal system operator training methods. The CO-2 Working Group also evaluates and proposes new techniques and training aids as they become available.
	Status/ Comments:	The 2018 Spring 81 st NPCC System Operator Seminar planning meeting was held February 28 and March 1 st in Montréal, Québec. NPCC hosted the 2018 Spring 81 st NPCC System Operator Seminar on May 1-3 2018 at the Residence Inn New York Manhattan / Time Square Hotel. Table Top exercise topics included on 1) load-generation balancing, 2) system physical characteristics, 3) critical system limits, 4) system restoration and 5) EMS tools. As in past Seminars, operators in attendance received Continuing Education Hours (CEH's) for their participation and successful completion of the Table Top Exercise. Other presentations were included on the 2003 Blackout Causes and Operator Approaches to Dealing with System Issues. A meeting to discuss system operator program training issues will be held on June 27-28 at the NPCC office. The 2018 Fall 82 nd NPCC System Operator Seminar will be hosted by PJM in Valley Forge, Pa. in early November 2018.



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Reliability Assessment and Performance Analysis Program

TASK FORCE ON COORDINATION OF OPERATION

Item	Name	Assignment
CO-1	Control Performance Working Group	The Working Group ensures coordination between adjacent control areas in establishing interchange schedules, reviews time error correction procedures, and monitors the conformance of the Areas with NPCC Control Performance Criteria and Operating Reserve Criteria. At the request of the Task Force on Coordination of Operation (TFCO), it conducts investigations of control performance problems.
	Status/ Comments:	<p>The CO-1 Working Group met February 15-16, 2018, with its next meeting scheduled for May 17-18, 2018. In response to TFCO's request, the CO-1 Working Group is continuing their review of the reformatted draft version of Directory No. 5 to verify consistency of the reformatted criteria with the currently active Directory No. 5 document. The review, which began in December 2016, is anticipated to continue in 2018 and in addition to reformatting the criteria into NERC style requirements, will consider the impacts of recent ERO standard developments and revisions on the document. The CO-1 Working group will present the draft formatted document to the TFCO at its meeting on August 15-16, 2018.</p> <p>The CO-1 Working Group continues to generate the NERC Disturbance Control Standard Report and conducts periodic monitoring as required. The CO-1 Working Group continues to closely monitor developments to their relevant BAL and FAC standards.</p>

Item	Name	Assignment
CO-7	Operational Planning Working Group	The Working Group CO-07 was restructured to serve the Task Force on Coordination of Operation as an Ad Hoc Working Group, populated and charged to address specific issues as required to assist the TFCO. It has been renamed the "Operational Planning Working Group."
	Status/ Comments:	There are currently no active CO-7 Working Group assignments.

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Item	Name	Assignment
CO-8	System Operations Managers Working Group	Provide a forum for the Managers of the NPCC control centers to identify and discuss security concerns in the operation of the interconnected bulk power supply system, and specific concerns related to the integration of operation between and among the evolving ISOs. The System Operations Managers Working Group will also assist the Task Force on Coordination of Operation (TFCO) in their work on issues related to system security and the operation of the ISOs, and provide advice to the TFCO, as requested.
	Status/ Comments:	In response to TFCO's assignment, the CO-8 Working Group has concluded a triennial periodic review of the Regional Reliability Reference Directory No. 2, <i>Emergency Operations</i> document, which will be presented to the RCC for approval at its May 30, 2018 meeting. The CO-8 Working Group is also working on providing comments on the Directory No. 5, <i>Reserve</i> to the CO-1 Working Group which was tasked by the TFCO to lead the triennial review effort of the Directory No. 5.

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Item	Name	Assignment
CO-11	Restoration Working Group	<p>The CO-11 Restoration Working Group facilitates effective and coordinated power system restoration among the NPCC Reliability Coordinator areas, and with adjacent Regions. It annually reviews the restoration plans of the NPCC Reliability Coordinator areas to identify in each individual plan the physical points requiring coordination, the general elements of the restoration plan, the Key Facilities associated with the restoration plan, the communication protocols employed, and the roles and responsibilities of the restoration participants. It identifies opportunities for mutual assistance during restoration and the extent to which each system can rely on its neighbors for assistance. Coordinates Reliability Coordinator restoration exercises and develops and supervises annual wide-area restoration drills. CO-11 monitors the NERC Reliability Standards EOP-005, <i>System Restoration from Blackstart Resources</i>, and EOP-006, <i>System Restoration Coordination</i>. The CO-11 Working Group provides comments to the NPCC Task Force on Coordination of Operation and the NPCC Regional Standards Committee as revisions to these Standards are posted for consideration, and weighed for implementation.</p> <p>Status/ Comments:</p> <p>The NPCC CO-11 Restoration Working Group conducted a review of the Ontario IESO Restoration Plan at its meeting on March 13-14, 2018. The review included descriptions of the elements of coordination of the restoration plans with neighboring Reliability Coordinators (desired points of interconnection and control parameters). The CO-11 Working Group completed its review of the November 1, 2017 RC-to-RC Restoration Exercise and reported the findings and lessons learned to CO-8 and TFCO. The 2018 RC-to-RC Restoration Exercise will be held on October 24-25, 2018 in Montréal, and the CO-11 Working Group will convene its next meeting on June 27-28, 2018 at Hydro-Québec offices, also in Montréal.</p>

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Item	Name	Assignment
CO-12	Seasonal Assessment Working Group	Review the overall reliability of the generation and transmission system in the NPCC Region for the Summer and Winter Seasonal conditions. Working Group CO-12 has been renamed the “Seasonal Assessment Working Group” to avoid confusion with the restructured Working Group CO-07.
	Status/ Comments:	The CO-12 Working Group has completed the <i>2018 Summer NPCC Reliability Assessment</i> , which was initiated in February 2018. Preliminary results were presented to the RCC at its February 28, 2018 meeting and to TFCO at it’s in March 21-22, 2018. TFCO approved the final assessment via teleconference on April 18, 2018 and was presented to the NPCC Board of Directors at its May 2, 2018 meeting. The NPCC media event was held on May 15, 2018, which coincided with the final assessment release.



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Item	Name	Assignment
CP- 8	Working Group on Review of Resource and Transmission Adequacy	Review the overall reliability of the NPCC Areas and perform pre-seasonal resource adequacy assessments.
	Status/ Comments:	The Scope and Schedule for the <i>2018 NPCC Long Range Adequacy Overview</i> was approved by the RCC at their December 5, 2017 meeting. The RCC also approved of the Maritimes, New York and Ontario Interim Reviews of Resource Adequacy, and the New England and Quebec Comprehensive Reviews of Resource Adequacy at their December 5, 2017 meeting.
Item	Name	Assignment
CP- 2018S	Summer 2018 Multi-Area Probabilistic Reliability Assessment	Assess NPCC Area reliability by estimating the projected use of Area Operating Procedures designed to mitigate resource shortages for the summer (May through September) period.
	Status/ Comments:	The CP-8 Working Group developed the assumptions for the <i>NPCC 2018 Summer Multi-Area Probabilistic Reliability Assessment</i> , which were approved by the Task Force on Coordination of Planning at their January 12, 2018 meeting. Preliminary results were presented at the February 28, 2018 RCC meeting. The Task Force on Coordination of Planning approved the assessment on April 20, 2018.
Item	Name	Assignment
CP- 2018-19W	Winter 2018-2019 Multi-Area Probabilistic Reliability Assessment	Assess NPCC Area reliability by estimating projected use of Area Operating Procedures designed to mitigate resource shortages for the winter (November through March) period.
	Status/ Comments:	The CP-8 Working Group is developing the assumptions for <i>NPCC Winter 2018 – 2019 Multi-Area Probabilistic Reliability Assessment</i> to be considered by the Task Force of Coordination of Planning at their June 11, 2018 meeting.



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Item	Name	Assignment
LRAO	NPCC 2018 Long Range Adequacy Overview (LRAO)	On a consistent basis, evaluate the near-term seasonal and long-range (five year) adequacy of NPCC Areas', reflecting neighboring regional plans proposed to meet their respective resource adequacy criteria through multi-area probabilistic assessments.
	Status/ Comments:	The assumptions for the <i>NPCC 2018 Long Range Adequacy Overview</i> will be based on the <i>2018 NERC Long-Term Reliability Assessment</i> data, due to NERC on June 22, 2018.
Item	Name	Assignment
CP-11	<i>NPCC Basic Criteria For Design and Operation of the Bulk Power System Review Working Group</i>	.
	Status/ Comments:	The NPCC Task Force on Coordination of Planning (TFCP) has assigned the CP-11 Working Group on Review of NPCC Basic Criteria to perform a comprehensive review of the NPCC A-10 Document <i>Classification of Bulk Power System Elements</i> methodology. The goal of the CP-11 Working Group review is to consider existing and alternative methodologies to identify a set of critical facilities within NPCC and to efficiently apply the outcome of the methodology to the applicable NPCC reliability criteria. The RCC approved the CP-11 Working Group's A-10 Methodology recommendations at their December 5, 2017 meeting. The CP-11 working group anticipates submitting the first iteration of its test results to the TFCP by June 30, 2018.



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TASK FORCE ON SYSTEM STUDIES

Item	Name	Assignment
SS-38	Inter-Area Dynamic Analysis Working Group	Assigned to analyze dynamic phenomena, which may affect interconnected system reliability, especially in the area of low frequency oscillations.
	Status/ Comments:	The SS-38 Working Group completed development of the base cases for 2017-2018 NPCC UFLS Assessment. The Working Group completed development of the generator relay models, capacitor protection models, and the underfrequency load shedding models necessary to perform simulations of the NPCC UFLS program. Baseline simulations expected to be completed by the end of June. Available results of the baseline assessment were presented to the Task Force on System Studies and will be presented at the May 30, 2018 RCC meeting.



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Item	Name	Assignment
SS-37	Base Case Development Working Group	<p>On an annual basis, develop a library of solved power flow cases and associated dynamic data.</p> <p>Status/ Comments:</p> <p>2018 Power Flow Cases - Ongoing The SS-37 Working Group held a Kickoff meeting in January to make plans for activities during 2018. It was followed by a Spring meeting held on April 30 to begin development of an interchange schedule, tie line list, and contingency files that will be used during development of the 2018 Series cases. In June 2018, the power flow cases will be assembled and submitted to the Multiregional Modeling Working Group (MMWG) of the Eastern Interconnection Reliability Assessment Group (ERAG). The MMWG has the responsibility to aggregate the power flow cases received from the Planning Coordinators within the Eastern Interconnection into the Eastern Interconnection power flow cases. The Eastern Interconnection power flow cases will be completed and published in October 2018.</p> <p>2018 Dynamics Models - Ongoing In August 2018, the SS-37 Working Group will assemble the dynamics data for the 2018 NPCC Library of Cases. The completed dynamics models will be submitted in September 2018 to the MMWG. The MMWG has the responsibility to aggregate the dynamics models received from the Planning Coordinators within the Eastern Interconnection into the Eastern Interconnection dynamics models. The dynamics models are scheduled to be complete and published in January 2019.</p>



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TASK FORCE ON SYSTEM PROTECTION

Item	Name	Assignment
SP-7	Working Group on Review of Protection System Misoperations	Review and analyze misoperations of transmission and generation protection systems and special protection systems on the bulk electric system and report on the statistics of misoperations as they occur in the NPCC region including lessons learned and implementation of corrective action plans by registered entities.
	Status/ Comments:	The Task Force on System Protection reviewed the status of the SP-7 Working Group on Protection System Misoperation Review as completed through the 4th Quarter (Q4) of 2017. This quarter had the lowest number of misoperations in 2017 caused Unknown/Unexplainable. The total number of misoperations for Q4 is 45 compared to the NPCC Q4 quarterly average of 47 misoperations. The highest count occurred in Q4 of 2013 at 65. The misoperation rate for Q4 2017 is 8.41%. Note that during this quarter, 535 operations were reported compared to the Q3 quarterly average of 870 operations. There were eight additional misoperations reported for Q3 which changed the Q3 misoperation rate from 4.37 % to 5.29%. There were four reported SPS operations in Q4 2017 and no reported misoperations.

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Eastern Interconnection Reliability Assessment Group

Item	Name	Assignment
ERAG	Eastern Interconnection Reliability Assessment	<p>The Eastern Interconnection Reliability Assessment Group (ERAG) oversees the Multi-Regional Modeling Group steady state and dynamics base case development, Eastern Interconnection interregional assessment activities and other interregional matters of interest.</p> <p>Status/ Comments: During 2018 ERAG is conducting a more detailed follow-up study to the previously-completed gas Supply disruption assessment on the <i>NERC Special Reliability Assessment: Potential Bulk Power System Impacts Due to Severe Disruptions on the Natural Gas System.</i> ERAG will factor in the diversity of regional geographic/configurations of generation gas supply off the existing pipelines. primary focus of the assessment will be to use the latest available information to develop a series of low-probability/high-impact gas pipeline scenarios creating a wide area disruption for study.</p> <p>In conducting this assessment ERAG will follow the following phases:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Verify Data – Each ERAG Region will review the NERC Single Point of Disruption screening analysis data to determine the correct generator pipeline connections, gas network configuration, and generating unit dual-fuel capability. Regional Entity (RE) staff will collect updated data from the PCs to include in this analysis. 2) Determine pipeline disruptions - Identify realistic pipeline disruptions (based on applicable criteria/assumptions) that would create a wide area gas disruption and determine which generating plants/units are affected. Regional Entity (RE) staff will analyze the collected data to make sure disruptions are realistic. 3) Conduct a resource adequacy assessment - Using the latest NERC Long-Term Reliability Assessment data, determine the impacts to resource adequacy (i.e., Reserve Margin targets) resulting from the pipeline disruption(s). 4) Conduct a transmission assessment - Using the latest MMWG 2017 Series case(s), model the steady-state impacts of a gas pipeline disruption. For controlled shutdown, switching of dual-fuel capable units, and generation re-dispatch will be used to conduct this study. Base analysis using 2019 light load, summer, and winter base cases. 5) Identify possible transmission limitations (contingency analyses with thermal limits) - This will include applying the loss

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- of generation from the considered gas pipeline disruptions. Perform N-1 contingency analysis (including generation re-dispatch and other real-time operating plans, if needed) to determine transmission thermal limits.
- 6) Identify possible reactive resource limitation(s) from generators removed from service due to gas disruptions - For any unsolved contingencies, determine the appropriate amount(s) of reactive resources to get the case to converge.

The ERAG plans to host a NERC Planning Committee forum during Q3 2018 to discuss the responses. Based on the risk identified in phases 1 and 2, the ERAG will consider the need for additional analysis of the eastern interconnection and factor in the work done within the industry.

The next face-to-face ERAG meeting will be on September 26-27, 2018 at ReliabilityFirst. Several conference calls have been held and others will be held prior to September.

ERAG Seasonal Working Group

Item	Name	Assignment
ERAGWG	ERAG Seasonal Working Group	The ERAG Seasonal Working Group conducts appraisals of the Eastern Interconnection. Appraisals are conducted for weather scenarios, including drought and polar vortex type conditions, to determine the impacts on power flows across the Eastern Interconnection.
	Status / Comments:	The ERAG Working Group is and will remain inactive until an ERAG-conducted system study is initiated.



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Item	Name	Assignment
RAS	Reliability Assessment Subcommittee (RAS)	<p>Conduct an annual review of the overall reliability of the existing and planned generation and transmission systems of the eight Regional Reliability Entities for the ten-year horizon. Conduct semiannual seasonal assessments of the overall reliability of the existing generation and transmission systems of the eight Regional Reliability Entities.</p>
	Status/ Comments:	<p>The NERC Reliability Assessment Subcommittee issued the following data request to the Regional Executives on January 26, 2018:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Data and supporting narrative request supporting the 2018 NERC Summer Reliability Assessment, including a supplemental data request. <p>The NERC Reliability Assessment Subcommittee issued the following data request to the Regional Executives on January 22, 2018.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Data and supporting narrative request supporting the 2018 NERC Long-Term Reliability Assessment (LTRA), including a supplemental data request supporting a new technology integration assessment. <p>The next NERC RAS meeting is scheduled for July 17-19, 2018 in Toronto, Ontario; the RAS will review Assessment Area data, narratives, discuss initial responses from the peer review. NERC Board of Trustees approval of the 2018 LTRA is planned for the first week of December, 2018.</p>



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Item	Name	Assignment
ProbA	NERC Probabilistic Assessment	<p>Trial assessment to determine if probabilistic reliability metrics based on the NERC Long Term Reliability Assessment can be used to supplement NERC regional reliability outlooks.</p> <p>Status/ Comments: The NERC Probabilistic Assessment Working Group (PAWG) has developed the assumptions, methods and data request related for the probabilistic assessment to be conducted in conjunction with the 2018 NERC Long-Term Reliability Assessment. The data and narrative request was sent by NERC to the Regional Executives on May 1, 2018.</p>
TADS	Transmission Availability Data System	<p>Serve as the Regional Entity Coordinator (REC) in support of the NERC TADS outage data collection and the analysis of the NPCC Transmission Owners (TO) outage information. As the REC, oversee the use of and the data entry of automatic outage information by the TO in the NERC Internet based data management tool - webTADS.</p> <p>Status/ Comments:</p> <p>The next face-to-face meeting will be on June 26-29, 2018 in Boise Idaho in conjunction with the 2018 IEEE PMAPS conference. The TADSWG reviewed the six key-findings and the analysis done in the 2017 NERC State of Reliability (SOR) report and briefly discussed. increased involvement from the TADSWG for sections relating to TADS in future iterations of the SOR. As part of this involvement the possibility of changing the manner in which information is presented was discussed.</p> <p>The potential for additional analysis of TADS data outside of the SOR which would provide informational benefit to individual members of the industry in order to incentivize better reporting was also discussed. NERC requested suggestions for what type of analysis would be beneficial to provide and it was indicated that a more thorough discussion as to what information is available for analysis would be necessary first.</p> <p>The NATF provided a highly insightful presentation going over the sub-cause codes that the NATF collects for Failed AC Circuit Equipment, Failed AC Substation Equipment, Human Error, and Unknowns. The presentation included various details about the sub-causes and their trending since they started being collected in 2014.</p> <p>The TADSWG conducted an in-person training session on November 27-29, 2017 at the NERC offices in Atlanta, GA. Another training session will be conducted in 2018.</p>



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Item	Name	Assignment
DADS	Demand Availability Database System	Serve as the Regional Entity Coordinator (REC) in support of the DADS data collection and analysis for NPCC. As the REC, oversee the collection of the data in the NERC Internet based data management tool – web DADS.
	Status/ Comments:	<p>The next face-to-face meeting will be announced in 2018. The DADSWG worked on its Scope to develop a process for soliciting and evaluating DADS changes and has recommended selected improvements, such as changes to definitions, metrics, Demand Response Programs. The group also discussed the Severity Risk Index (SRI) correlation with Demand Response Event Days. The group has started working on clarification of DADS reporting criteria.</p> <p>The DADS Working Group has reviewed the Demand Response overview and appendix for the draft 2018 State of Reliability Report.</p> <p>The DADS Working Group is working on its training materials and is planning to have a training session in 2018. NERC Training expects to complete the video during Q1 2018.</p>

Item	Name	Assignment
GADS	Generator Availability Data System	Serve as the Regional Entity Coordinator (REC) in support of the Generator Availability data collection and Data System analysis for NPCC. As the REC, oversee the collection of the data in the NERC Internet based data management tool – web E-GADS.
	Status/ Comments:	<p>Beginning January 1, 2018, quarterly reporting for all wind plants with a Total Installed Capacity of 200 MW or larger will be mandatory. Additional phased-in mandatory reporting is as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • January 1, 2019: Mandatory reporting begins for plants with a Total Installed Capacity of 100 MW and greater. • January 1, 2020: Mandatory reporting begins for plants with a Total Installed Capacity of 75 MW and greater. <p>Reporting data requirements for Solar have been initiated with a target goal of beginning data submittal by 2021. NERC plans to conduct three training sessions in 2018 for conventional GADS and GADS Wind.</p>



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<u>Item</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Assignment</u>
IPSAC	Interregional Planning Stakeholder Advisory Committee	The Interregional Planning Stakeholder Advisory Committee (IPSAC) is an open stakeholder group that provides input for the development of the Northeast Coordinated System Plan (NCSP). The NCSP outlines activities conducted jointly by ISO New England, New York ISO, and PJM.
	Status/ Comments:	The IPSAC held a WebEx on May 18, 2018. Agenda items included an update on system needs that could have potential interregional solutions, projects with potential cross border impacts, and next steps.



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Item	Name	Assignment
CO-10	Operational Tools Working Group	<p>The Operational Tools Working Group (CO-10) is responsible for taking a lead role in the development of NPCC and NERC operational tools (e.g. electronic tagging, the NERC Interchange Distribution Calculator and electronic scheduling), including hardware, software and integrated systems. The Operational Tools Working Group will define the need for operational tools, evaluate the cost benefits of operational tools, coordinate their implementation within NPCC and coordinate common training in the use of operational tools.</p> <p>Status/ Comments:</p> <p>The CO-10 Working Group continues to review of tool failures and associated lessons learned as generated from the NERC Event Analysis Program and also develops regional insights templates from the review of said lessons learned to further aid NPCC entities in utilizing these valuable lessons. The CO-10 Working Group, created a draft NPCC “C” document procedure that addresses the Requirements in TOP 003-3 on how each NPCC Area may implement Area to Area data sharing. The C document (C-46) is presently up for posting in the NPCC Open Process for a 45-day comment period.</p> <p>Also, the CO-10 Working Group will present to Task Force of Coordination of Operation (TFCO) at their May 2018 meeting the biennial NPCC Critical Summary report; once accepted by TFCO, the summary report will be the basis for the development of the NPCC Operating Tools Failure Analysis survey, which will be distributed to the member entities to begin the process for next year.</p>



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TASK FORCE ON INFRASTRUCTURE SECURITY AND TECHNOLOGY (TFIST)

Item	Name	Assignment
IST-1	Infrastructure Security and Technology Workshop	Periodic workshops presentations to address timely issues and update member system personnel associated with the provision of on-line computer systems for operation of the power system. Last Workshop: May 2018
	Status/ Comments:	TFIST presented at NPCC’s Spring 2018 Standards & Compliance Workshop.

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IST-2	TFIST Telecommunications Working Group	Provide a forum to identify, discuss and advance the technology of Telecommunications Infrastructure for the reliable operations of the NPCC Bulk Power System. The Telecommunications Working Group (IST-2) will also support TFIST in their work on issues related to Telecommunications
	Status/ Comments:	TFIST presented the 2017 annual Cross Border Emergency Telecommunications report at the RCC’s February 28, 2018 meeting.



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Administrative Services

MEMBERS' FORUMS

Item	Name	Assignment
General	NPCC General Meeting	To promote the reliable and efficient operation of the interconnected bulk power systems in Northeastern North America, NPCC invites high level policy makers from Federal, Provincial, and State regulatory and/or Governmental authorities and senior executives within NPCC to identify and discuss emerging issues related to the reliability of the NPCC Region.
	Status/ Comments:	The 2018 NPCC General Meeting is planned for December 5, 2018 in Toronto, Ontario. The Agenda is currently under development.
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Gov/Reg	NPCC Governmental Regulatory Affairs Advisory Group	To provide a forum where industry and governmental and/or regulatory representatives can exchange views and strive to develop consensus policy recommendations on reliability issues specific to the NPCC Region and share actionable information related to regional energy and reliability matters.
	Status/ Comments:	The 2018 NPCC Governmental/Regulatory Affairs Advisory Group meeting will be held in conjunction with the NPCC 2018 General Meeting. The Agenda is currently being developed.
Item	Name	Assignment
PIC	Public Information Committee	To highlight and summarize NPCC activities and accomplishments and disseminate appropriate information to the media, as well as respond to related requests for information.
	Status/ Comments:	NPCC continues to participate in communications coordination with NERC and the Regions. The NPCC Media Event for the release of the 2018 NPCC Summer Reliability Assessment was held on May 15, 2018.