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NPCC Reliability Coordinating Committee
Scope

I. Purpose

The NPCC Reliability Coordinating Committee (RCC) is a Committee of the NPCC Board of Directors (Board) in accordance with Article VII, Section 7.1 of Amended and Restated Bylaws of Northeast Power Coordinating Council, Inc., Amended on July 21, 2025 (NPCC Bylaws) and promotes effective and efficient reduction of risks to the reliability, resilience, and security of the international Bulk Power System within Northeastern North America. This is accomplished by:

1. Providing a technical forum for the review and approval of actions related to the development, implementation, and maintenance of the NPCC Criteria, and the reliability and resource adequacy assessments of its members.
2. Identifying, developing, and implementing long-term strategies enhancing system resilience and assuring energy sufficiency of the Bulk Power System of the NPCC Region. To address assignments pursuant to this purpose, the RCC will utilize the existing NPCC Task Forces and ad hoc Working Groups, as necessary.
3. Supporting the reliable integration of distributed energy resources and inverter-based resources within Northeastern North America.
4. Expanding Cyber and Physical Security initiatives that enhance situational awareness and operational coordination.
5. Providing technical guidance to the NPCC Task Forces of the RCC.
6. Providing technical guidance to the NPCC Compliance Committee (CC).
7. Providing technical guidance to the NPCC Regional Standards Committee (RSC).

II. Responsibilities

The responsibilities of the RCC include the review and approval of:

1. Its membership and the RCC Task Force leadership appointments.
2. NPCC Area Transmission Reviews (ref: NPCC Directory 1, Appendix B) and NPCC Area Reviews of Resource Adequacy (ref: NPCC Directory 1, Appendix D).
3. NPCC Regional Overall Transmission Assessment.
4. NPCC Probabilistic Reliability Assessments (Long Range Adequacy Overview, Tie Benefits/NERC ProbA Assessment for NPCC Region).
5. NPCC Regional Assessment of Under-Frequency Load Shedding Adequacy.
6. NPCC Task Force on Coordination of Operation (TFCO) Reviews of Operating Reserve Response.
7. NPCC Task Force and Working Group studies.
8. NPCC reliability assessments related to significant transmission and generation projects that impact the reliability of the Bulk Power System.

9. NPCC Regional Pre-seasonal (Summer and Winter) Reliability Assessments prior to issuance.
10. Revisions to NPCC Regional Guidelines ('B' Documents) that have not been incorporated into a Directory.
11. NPCC Task Force Scopes.
12. The two-year NPCC Task Forces Work Plans.
13. Event Analysis initiatives derived from evaluation of performance trends or lessons learned.

Additional responsibilities of the RCC include:

1. Reviewing and endorsing new and revised Regional Reliability Directories and transmitting a recommendation to the Full Membership of NPCC for its final approval, in accordance with the NPCC Regional Reliability Directory Approval Process of the NPCC Directory Development and Revision Manual & Process for the Review and Approval of Criteria, Guidelines, and Procedures, and the NPCC Bylaws.
2. Reviewing and endorsing new or modified NPCC Criteria ("A" Documents) by exception and presenting to the membership for final approval vote.
3. Granting or denying NPCC Member requests for exclusions, in accordance with NPCC Directory No.1 Appendix E.
4. Accepting the annual Criteria Compliance and Enforcement Program (CCEP) assessment report from the previous compliance year submitted by the NPCC Compliance Committee.
5. Approving the annual CCEP Implementation Plan for the upcoming compliance year submitted by the Compliance Committee.
6. Developing NPCC Regional technical input and positions on NERC and FERC activities.
7. Reviewing proposed NPCC Regional Standards and providing feedback during the comment periods pursuant to the NPCC Regional Standard Processes Manual open process for consideration by the respective NPCC Regional Standards Drafting Team.
8. Reviewing the RCC Scope at least every two years.
9. Developing and maintaining a two-year RCC Work Plan.
10. Conducting Joint Task Force Chair Conference Calls/Meetings on a regular basis.
11. Recommending industry support for RCC activities.
12. Developing procedures for RCC review of new or modified Reliability Directories.
13. Developing procedures for RCC review of new or modified NPCC Regional Standards.

III. Membership

The RCC will consist of Full Member and General Member representatives from the seven voting sectors as follows:

- Sector 1 – Transmission Owners

- Sector 2 – Reliability Coordinators
- Sector 3 – Transmission Dependent Utilities, Distribution Companies, and Load-Serving Entities
- Sector 4 – Generator Owners
- Sector 5 – Marketers, Brokers, and Aggregators
- Sector 6 – State and Provincial Regulatory and/or Governmental Authorities
- Sector 7 – Sub-Regional Reliability Councils, Customers, Other Regional Entities, and Interested Entities

IV. Meetings

a. Quorum

At any meeting of the RCC (in-person, virtual or hybrid) and for electronic voting, participation in person or by proxy by one-half (1/2) of the RCC members in each of at least sixty percent (60%) of the stakeholder voting sectors on the roster of the RCC members maintained by NPCC shall constitute a quorum.

b. Voting

To determine if a motion has passed, the following process shall be used to determine if there are sufficient affirmative votes:

1. The number of votes cast is the sum of affirmative and negative votes, excluding abstentions.
2. The number of affirmative votes cast in each voting sector will be divided by the sum of affirmative and negative votes cast in that voting sector to determine the fractional affirmative vote for each voting sector. Abstentions will not be counted for the purpose of determining the fractional affirmative vote for a voting sector.
3. The sum of the fractional affirmative votes from all sectors divided by the number of sectors voting will be used to determine if a two-thirds (2/3) affirmative majority has been achieved. A sector will be considered as "voting" if any RCC member of the sector casts either an affirmative or a negative vote.
4. An action of the RCC will be approved if the sum of fractional affirmative votes from all sectors divided by the number of voting sectors is at least two-thirds (2/3).

V. Leadership

The NPCC Reliability Coordinating Committee operates under the direction of the NPCC Board of Directors and is comprised of senior level representatives of the Full and General Members of NPCC.

The RCC Officers shall consist, as a minimum, of a Chair and a Vice Chair. The RCC has the option of Co-Vice Chairs. Each member of the RCC Leadership shall be from different voting sectors.

The Officers of the RCC are approved by the NPCC Board.

There are also five technical NPCC Task Forces that report to the NPCC Reliability Coordinating Committee:

- Task Force on Coordination of Operation (TFCO)
- Task Force on Coordination of Planning (TFCP)
- Task Force on Infrastructure Security & Technology (TFIST)
- Task Force on System Protection (TFSP)
- Task Force on System Studies (TFSS)

VI. Version History

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