



NPCC Acronym Guide

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Electric Reliability Organization Enterprise

NERC

NERC

[North American Electric Reliability Corporation](#)



MRO

[Midwest Reliability Organization](#)



NPCC

[Northeast Power Coordinating Council](#)



RF

[Reliability First](#)



SERC

[SERC Reliability Corporation](#)



Texas RE

[Texas Reliability Entity](#)



WECC

[Western Electric Coordinating Council](#)

Registered Functions

BA	Balancing Authority
DP	Distribution Provider
DP-UFLS	Distribution Provider UFLS
FRSG	Frequency Response Sharing Group
GO	Generator Owner
GOP	Generator Operator
PA	Planning Authority
PC	Planning Coordinator
RC	Reliability Coordinator
RP	Resource Planner
RRSG	Regulation Reserve Sharing Group
RSG	Reserve Sharing Group
TO	Transmission Owner
TOP	Transmission Operator
TP	Transmission Planner
TSP	Transmission Service Provider

Reliability Standards

BAL	Resource and Demand Balancing
CIP	Critical Infrastructure Protection
COM	Communications
EOP	Emergency Preparedness and Operations
FAC	Facilities Design, Connections, and Maintenance
INT	Interchange Scheduling and Coordination
IRO	Interconnection Reliability Operations and Coordination
MOD	Modeling, Data, and Analysis
NUC	Nuclear
PER	Personnel Performance, Training, and Qualifications
PRC	Protection and Control
TOP	Transmission Operations
TPL	Transmission Planning
VAR	Voltage and Reactive

ERO Acronyms

ACE	Area Control Error	CAP	Corrective Action Plan
AFC	Available Flowgate Capability	CCC	NERC Compliance and Certification Committee
AGC	Automatic Generation Control	CE	Compliance Exception
AOC	Authorizing Officer	CEA	Compliance Enforcement Authority
AOC	Area of Concern	CEII	Critical Energy Infrastructure Information
ATC	Available Transfer Capability	CFR	Coordinated Functional Registration
ATL	Audit Team Lead	CIP	Critical Infrastructure Protection
AVR	Automatic Voltage Regulator	CMEP	Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Program
BAAL	Balancing Authority ACE Limit	CO	Coordinated Oversight
BCA	BES Cyber Asset	COP	Compliance Oversight Plan
BCS	BES Cyber System	CORES	Centralized Organization Registration ERO System
BCSI	BES Cyber System Information	CRISP	NERC Cybersecurity Risk Information Sharing Program
BES	Bulk Electric System	DCS	Disturbance Control Standard
BOT	NERC Board of Trustees	DER	Distributed Energy Resource
BPS	Bulk Power System	DME	Disturbance Monitoring Equipment
BR	Brief Report	DOE	Department of Energy
CA	Critical Asset	DSM	Demand-Side Management

ERO Acronyms

EACMS	Electronic Access Control or Monitoring Systems	FERC	Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
EAP	Electronic Access Point	FFT	Find, Fix, Track and Report
EAP	Event Analysis Process	FME	Frequency Measurable Event
EEA	Energy Emergency Alert	FOIA	U.S. Freedom of Information Act
E-ISAC	Electricity Information Sharing and Analysis Center	FPA	Federal Power Act
EMS	Energy Management System	FRM	Frequency Response Measure
EOC	NERC Engagement and Outreach Committee	FRO	Frequency Response Obligation
ERC	External Routable Connectivity	FRT	Findings Review Team
ERO	Electric Reliability Organization	GADS	Generation Availability Data System
ERO Enterprise	NERC and the Regional Entities	GMD	Geomagnetic Disturbance
ESCC	Electricity Sub-sector Coordinating Council	GSU	Generator Step-Up
ESP	Electronic Security Perimeter	Hz	Hertz (Frequency Unit)
ETC	Existing Transmission Commitments	IBR	Inverter-Based Resources
ETL	Engagement Team Lead	ICCP	Inter-Control Center Communications Protocol
EWRC	NERC Enterprise-wide Risk Committee	ICP	Internal Compliance Program
FAC	NERC Finance and Audit Committee	IED	Intelligent Electronic Devices

ERO Acronyms

IEEE	Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc.	MVCD	Minimum Vegetation Clearance Distance
IP	CMEP Implementation Plan	NAESB	North American Energy Standards Board
IPP	Independent Power Producer	NAGF	North American Generator Forum
IRA	Inherent Risk Assessment	NATF	North American Transmission Forum
IROL	Interconnection Reliability Operating Limit	NCR	NERC Compliance Registry
ISO	Independent System Operator	NERC	North American Electric Reliability Corporation
JRO	Joint Registration Organization	NERC ID	NERC Identification Number
LL	Lessons Learned	NOP	Notice of Penalty
LOD	Letter of Dismissal	NPIR	Nuclear Plant Interface Requirements
LOLE	Loss of Load Expectation	NPV	Notice of Possible Violation
MIDAS	Misoperation Information Data Analysis System	NRC	U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
MP	Mitigation Plan	O&P	Operations and Planning
MRC	Member Representative Committee	OASIS	Open Access Same Time Information Service
MRRE	Multi-regional Registered Entity	OATI	Open Access Technology International, Inc (GADS/TADS system)
MSSC	Most Severe Single Contingency	OATT	Open Access Transmission Tariff

ERO Acronyms

OE-417	Electric Emergency Incident and Disturbance Report	RAPA	Reliability Assessment and Performance Analysis
OEA	Open Enforcement Action	RAS	Remedial Action Scheme
OPA	Operational Planning Analysis	RBB	Registered Ballot Body
PACS	Physical Access Control Systems	RBP	Registered Ballot Pool
PCA	Protected Cyber Assets	RCIS	Reliability Coordinator Information System
PCC	Primary Compliance Contact	RE	Registered Entity
PCGC	NERC Personnel Certification Governance Committee	RFI	Request for Interchange
PDS	Periodic Data Submittal	RFI	Request for Information
PFR	Primary Frequency Response	RISC	NERC Reliability Issues Steering Committee
PNC	Potential non-compliance	ROC	NERC Regulatory Oversight Committee
PRM	Planning Reserve Margin	ROP	Rules of Procedure
PSMP	Protection System Maintenance Program	ROW	Right-of-Way
PSP	Physical Security Perimeter	RSAW	Reliability Standard Audit Worksheet
PSS	Power System Stabilizer	RSTC	Reliability and Security Technical Committee
PTDF	Power Transfer Distribution Factor	RTA	Real-time Assessment
PV	Possible Violation	RTCA	Real Time Contingency Analysis

ERO Acronyms

RTO	Regional Transmission Organization	VRF	Violation Risk Factor
SAR	Standard Authorization Request		
SBS	Standards Balloting System		
SC	NERC Standards Committee		
SCADA	Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition		
SDT	Standards Drafting Team		
SEL	Secure Evidence Locker		
SME	Subject Matter Expert		
SNOP	Spreadsheet Notice of Penalty		
SOE	Sequence of Events		
SOL	System Operating Limit		
SPS	Special Protection System		
TADS	Transmission Availability Data System		
TCA	Transient Cyber Asset		
TFC	Total Flowgate Capability		
TFE	Technical Feasibility Exception		
TTC	Total Transfer Capability		
UFLS	Underfrequency Load Shedding		
URE	Unidentified Registered Entity		
UVLS	Under Voltage Load Shedding		

NPCC Acronyms

BOD	NPCC Board of Directors	SVC	Static Var Compensator
CC	Compliance Committee	TFCO	Task Force on Coordination of Operation
CCEP	Criteria Compliance and Enforcement Program	TFCP	Task Force on Coordination of Planning
CEAP	NPCC Cost Effectiveness Analysis Process	TFIST	Task Force on Infrastructure Security and Technology
DAL	Drastic Action Limit	TFSP	Task Force on System Protection
EIR	Enforcement Intake Request for Information	TFSS	Task Force on System Studies
FCITC	First Contingency Incremental Transfer Capability	TRM	Transmission Reliability Margin
FCTTC	First Contingency Total Transfer Capability		
LTE	Long Term Emergency Rating		
NATC	Non recallable Available Transfer Capability		
PIC	Public Information Committee		
RATC	Recallable Available Transmission Capability		
RCC	Reliability Coordinating Committee		
RSC	NPCC Regional Standard Committee		
RSG	Reserve Sharing Group		
STE	Short Time Emergency Rating		



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