



# 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

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

## Reliability Standards

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

# ERO Acronyms

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

# ERO Acronyms

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

# ERO Acronyms

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

# ERO Acronyms

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

# ERO Acronyms

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

# NPCC Acronyms

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



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