

Reliability Risk Working Group  
Scope Document





## Purpose

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The Reliability Risk Working Group (RRWG) shall advise the SERC Operations, Planning, and Security Executive Committee (OPSEC) concerning risks to the reliability of the bulk power system (BPS) for Engineering, Operating, and Critical Infrastructure and Protection.

## Responsibilities and Activities

- Evaluate BPS reliability risks and provide a report (typically annually) to the OPSEC on the reliability risk of the SERC Region from engineering, operations, and security perspectives.
- Provide input to the SERC Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Program (CMEP) Implementation Plan by providing reliability risk and justification for submission to the Electric Reliability Organization (ERO) CMEP Implementation Plan for the following year.
- Review and recommend changes to the SERC specific risks identified in the SERC CMEP implementation Plan.
- Provide input to the SERC Board of Directors and SERC staff on issues of reliability risk pertaining to the planning, engineering, operation, and physical and cyber security of the BPS.
- Inform and monitor North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) Reliability Issue Steering Committee (RISC) work plans and initiatives, and identify corresponding SERC RRWG activities to coordinate with this subcommittee as directed by the OPSEC.
- Provide a forum for RRWG representatives to share experience and provide input on risks to the reliability of the BPS.
- Provide recommendations to the EC, OC, and CIPC to address and develop mitigation plans for the identified risks.
- Develop and exchange information about reliability risk to the BPS, incorporating perspectives from the EC, OC, and CIPC.

## Representation

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The EC, OC, and CIPC chairs will each appoint one representative and an alternate as members to the RRWG. Each SERC Region member registered as one or more of the following functions, Planning Coordinator, Transmission Planner, Generator Owner, Generator Operator, Transmission Owner, Transmission Operator, Reliability Coordinator, or Balancing Authority is entitled to one representative and one alternate on the RRWG. RRWG members cannot be marketing function employees as defined by Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)

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regulations and the FERC Standards of Conduct, and must be signatories to the SERC confidentiality agreement.

The leadership of the RRWG comprises a chair and vice-chair. The chair of the SERC OPSEC appoints the RRWG chair for a two-year term. The RRWG will elect a vice-chair for a two-year term; the election for vice-chair normally would rotate among the technical committee representatives. The vice-chair will normally succeed the chair.

All RRWG representatives should be knowledgeable to perform all of the responsibilities and activities as defined in this scope document.

## Governance

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If a vote is required, each member of RRWG shall have one vote. A simple majority of the RRWG representatives present at a scheduled meeting or conference call is needed to approve any motion or vote. RRWG will also abide by *Organization and Procedure Manual for SERC Technical Committees*.

## Reporting

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The RRWG reports to the OPSEC.

## Revision History

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