SERC Engineering Committee
Policy Statement

Coordination of Regional Transmission Organization Representation on Subcommittees, Study Groups, or Working Groups

SERC's technical committees fill an important role in ensuring the reliability of the bulk power system in the SERC region. SERC welcomes participation by all SERC members in its standing committees, subcommittees, study groups, and working groups, in accordance with the applicable scope document.

Certain SERC members, Regional Transmission Organizations (RTOs), may have a need to coordinate the work done by the RTO and its member companies to fulfill its responsibilities. Based on the work to be done, an RTO may have a need to appoint one or more of its member companies who are involved in performing the work of the subcommittee, study group, or working group (SERC group) to participate in the SERC group.

While the scope document for the applicable SERC group may call for a certain number of alternate representatives, this Policy Statement makes clear that an RTO may appoint additional alternate representatives from its member companies to the roster of the applicable SERC group, as long as that member company is actively engaged with completing the work of the SERC group and that member company would otherwise meet the qualifications in the scope document (other than registration because these member companies would be participating on behalf of a properly registered entity). Actively engaged means that:

1. The member company has historically performed the work of the SERC group and continues to do so.

2. If the alternate representative were not on the SERC group, the SERC group would not be able to accomplish the work assigned to it.

Any additional alternate representatives serve at the pleasure of the RTO on whose behalf they are participating. SERC's expectation is that the RTO will administer and coordinate its SERC group roster. In no event will an RTO have more than one vote on a SERC group.

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