

Revisions to Regional Delegation Agreement Announcement

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Comment Period for Draft Pro Forma Regional Delegation Agreement

The currently effective Regional Delegation Agreements (RDAs) between NERC and the Regional Entities expire on December 31, 2025. To continue delegating certain of its statutory functions under section 215 of the Federal Power Act to the Regional Entities, NERC and the Regional Entities will need to renew their RDAs by January 1, 2026. NERC and the Regional Entities are posting proposed revisions to the *pro forma* Regional Delegation Agreement (RDA) to become effective January 1, 2026. The proposed revisions are designed to improve the efficiency of the ERO Enterprise and enhance collaboration and coordination across ERO Enterprise activities.

The revised *pro forma* RDA, along with individual RDAs with the six Regional Entities, will be filed for approval with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission), after approval by the NERC Board of Trustees and the governing bodies of the Regional Entities. NERC and the Regional Entities anticipate making this filing no later than July 2025. After notice and opportunity for comment, the Commission may approve (with or without modifications) or reject the RDAs. The revised RDAs will become effective only upon Commission approval.

Highlights of the Proposed Revisions

The proposed revisions to the *pro forma* RDA are designed to advance the goals of the ERO Enterprise more efficiently and effectively. The chief revisions focus on the following areas:

- Requiring increased collaboration, coordination, and consistency in the Reliability Assessments, Performance Analysis, and Event Analysis program areas.
- Requiring greater coordination and engagement with U.S. federal and state governments.
- Ensuring that NERC and the Regional Entities abide by certain security principles, policies, and procedures and, to the extent appropriate, use common IT and security tools across the ERO Enterprise.
- Clarifying that Regional Entity personnel must comply with the E-ISAC Code of Conduct in its engagements with the E-ISAC.
- Clarifying NERC's review and audit authority under the RDAs (as distinguished from its CMEP oversight responsibilities under the NERC Rules of Procedure).

Submission of Comments

If parties wish to provide comments on the draft RDA, they should do so no later than April 18, 2025 by submitting comments electronically to RDAComments@nerc.net.

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