

Canada Border Services Agency International Events and Convention Services Program 412-1611 Main Street Vancouver BC V6A 2W5

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North American Electric Reliability Corporation 3353 Peachtree Road NE, Suite 600 North Tower Atlanta GA 30326 USA

Dear Wanda Peoples,

In response to your correspondence dated August 3, 2022; the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) International Events and Convention Services Program (IECSP) officially recognizes the following event:

NERC Board of Trustees and Member Representatives Committee Meetings
August 16 - 18, 2022
Hyatt Regency Vancouver
Vancouver, British Columbia

The information provided to the CBSA states there will be approximately 150 attendees, of which 95% are foreign to Canada. The event is closed to the general public with no sales of merchandise taking place.

It should be noted that non-Canadian exhibitors may import display items and exhibit booths temporarily as outlined in the provisions of tariff classification **9993.00.00** duty free, on the condition that the goods will be exported from Canada upon the completion of the event.

It has been determined that this event qualifies under the provisions of the *Foreign Organization Remission Order* as outlined in tariff classification **9830.00.00.00**. Conference materials (i.e. office paraphernalia, souvenirs, printed matter, pens, decorations, etc.) may enter Canada free of duty and taxes, provided the items will be exported upon the completion of the event.

Under certain circumstances, the CBSA will require a security deposit on goods temporarily imported to Canada. These goods are normally documented on the Temporary Admission Permit (Form E29B).

At the time of exportation, goods granted temporary admission on a Form E29B or A.T.A. Carnet must be presented along with importer's/owner's copies of the appropriate documentation to CBSA for verification and certification. This presentation may occur at a CBSA office inland or at the port of export, depending on the circumstances involved and is necessary for you to receive a refund of any securities posted. Please note that the refund is not immediate.

The Government of Canada requires that all travellers carry a valid passport as it is the only reliable and universally-accepted identification document for the purpose of international travel.

Persons who have been convicted of any criminal offences may be inadmissible to Canada. For more information please visit <u>www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/immigrate-canada/inadmissibility.html</u>

If you have attendees from visa-requiring countries (<u>www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas.asp</u>), please contact the Special Events Unit of Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada (IRCC) at <u>special.events@cic.gc.ca</u> with



the specifics of your event. They will assess the visa requirements of your event.

Visa exempt foreign nationals, excluding U.S. citizens, now require an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) to fly to or transit through Canada. For more information please visit: www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/eta-start.asp.

Are you flying into Canada? Would like to potentially cut your processing time in half? The CanBordereDeclaration app for your smart phone is quick, simple and secure, operates in airplane mode (once downloaded) and allows you to create a declaration for up to five travelers with the same place of residence. For more information please visit: <u>www.cbsa.gc.ca/new-neuf/app-eng.html.</u>

To facilitate border procedures it is recommended that all participants be provided a copy of this letter for presentation to a CBSA Border Services Officer upon their arrival to Canada.

In conjunction with the presentation of this Recognition Letter, an itemized list of goods including a description, country of origin, quantity and value is required for presentation to CBSA. If your event materials will be imported by a commercial carrier or courier service, a copy of this letter should also be attached to any shipping documents.

Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned if you have any questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

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The information you provide in this document is collected under the authority of **Section 107(9) of the Customs Act** for the purpose of the facilitation of border coordination services for organizers of international events being held in Canada. The information may be disclosed to Other Government Departments and/or Agencies (e.g. Immigration, Refugees and Citizenship Canada) for the purposes of providing assistance with admissibility requirements.

Individuals have the right of access to, the protection and correction of their personal information under the **Privacy Act** – Section 12. The information collected is described under the International Events Personal Information Bank CBSA PPU 040 which is detailed at www.cbsa.gc.ca/agency-agence/reports-rapports/pia-efvp/atip-aiprp/infosource-eng.html