NERC Posts Revised ERO Enterprise Registration Practice Guide – NERC posted a revised ERO Enterprise Practice Guide on Distribution Provider “directly connected” Determinations. The purpose of the Practice Guide is to provide a reference to be used by ERO Enterprise staff when determining whether an entity, serving >75 MW of peak Load, should be registered as a Distribution Provider (DP) because it is “directly connected” to the Bulk Electric System (BES). The Practice Guide was revised to: (1) include a key explaining the color coding; (2) clarify that the guide only applies to section III.a.1. of Appendix B of the NERC Rules of Procedure, and (3) the 75 MW threshold is considered when evaluating whether a DP is directly connected to the BES.

The initial version of this document was referred to as a “reference document.” This version has been updated to clarify that the document is a “Practice Guide.” Pursuant to the 2015 NERC Board of Trustees-endorsed Compliance Guidance Policy, the ERO Enterprise provides guidance related to the performance of ERO Enterprise staff via Practice Guides. This Registration Practice Guide provides direction to ERO Enterprise staff on approaches to carrying out ERO Enterprise activities. Following development, Practice Guides are posted for transparency on the NERC website. While there is no prior external vetting process with Practice Guides, feedback is always welcomed and considered.

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