

## Summary of 2014 Board of **Trustees Standards Oversight** and Technology Committee Survey











- NERC engaged TalentQuest to conduct its annual Board of Trustees Standards Oversight and Technology Committee survey through an online methodology
- The Standards Oversight and Technology (SOTC) Committee survey was administered from November 12 to December 19, 2014, to a total of 6 Committee members
- 6 Committee members responded to the survey
  - 100% response rate



- Respondents were asked to rate items on a 1 to 3 point scale to indicate their evaluation for each rated item
  - 1= Below Expectations ("performance area with opportunity for improvement")
  - 2= Meets Expectations ("meets required standard of performance")
  - 3 = Above Expectations ("exceeds the required standard of performance")
- For any item rated "1" (Below Expectations) or "No", mandatory comments were required to explain the rationale for the rating or selection





- The overall Standards Oversight and Technology Committee survey average was 2.32, with item averages ranging from 2.00 to 2.67
- Given the lowest item averages are 2.0, the Standards Oversight and Technology Committee is seen to be operating at expectations or higher
- Lowest Rated Item (2.0):
  - The Committee effectively reviews periodically NERC's status with the American National Standards Institute.

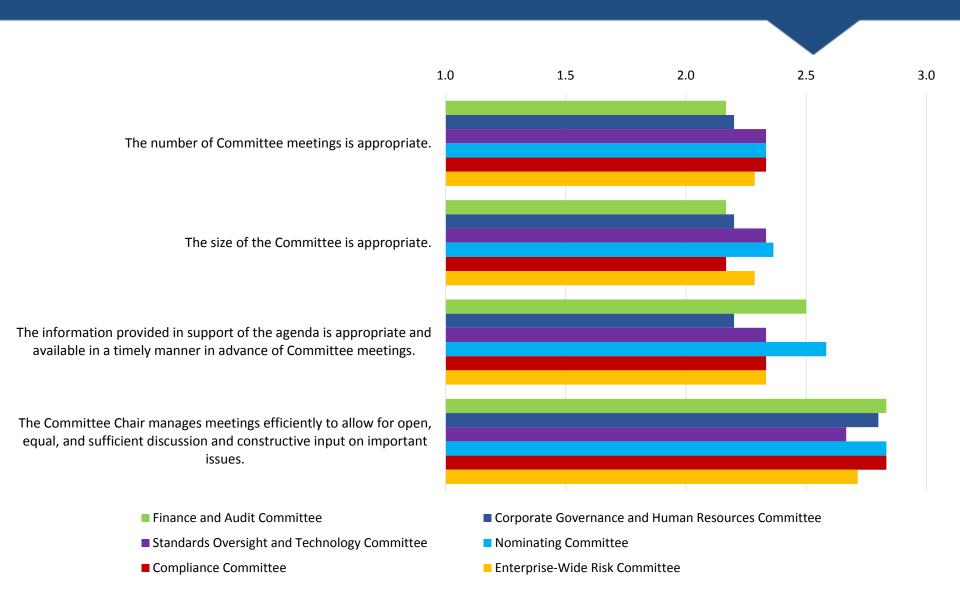




- Review of cross-committee survey items finds the Standards
   Oversight and Technology Committee rated all items at a 2.33,
   except the following:
  - The Committee Chair manages meetings efficiently to allow for open, equal, and sufficient discussion and constructive input on important issues. (2.67)



#### **Committee Comparison**





## **ERO IT Applications & Cyber** Infrastructure Strategy Update

Stan Hoptroff, Vice President and Chief Technology Officer Standards Oversight and Technology Committee February 11, 2015











## **ERO IT Guiding Principles**

- Reach consensus on ERO Enterprise priorities:
  - xRM application platform
  - event analysis application
  - reliability assessments application
  - compliance and registration
- Ensure that the right information is provided to the right people at the right locations.
- Ensure consistent, disciplined decision-making process ("TLT" and "gated process").
- Recognize NERC and Regional-specific IT requirements, business needs, activities, and realities.



## **ERO IT Guiding Principles**

- Recognize a bias for proven off-the-shelf solutions with minimal modifications or configurations.
- Ensure data integrity and data sharing via proven integration techniques.
- Conform to the ES-ISAC Code of Conduct.
- Ensure important cross sector institutional relationships are respected and nurtured (National Council of ISACs, American Gas Association, etc.)



## **ERO Applications Update**

- SBS Application ✓
  - Development and testing completed on 12/19/2014
  - Industry demo conducted on 1/7/2015
  - First ballot process began on 2/2/2015
- xRM Application Platform ✓
  - Installation completed on 12/19/2014
- Reliability Assessment Data System (RADS-NERC)
  - Design completed on 1/30/2015
  - Development and testing to be completed by 06/30/2015
- Events Analysis (EA)
- Design completed on 2/6/2015
  - Configuration and testing to be completed by 09/30/2015



## **ERO Applications Update**

- CMEP Tool Assessment (CRATS, CITS, webCDMS)
  - OATI contract consolidation (webCDMS)
  - Determine reasonable legacy (CRATS) investments
  - Determine strategic information management requirements Q3 2015
  - Potential new vendor(s) RFI/RFP Q4 2015
- Enterprise Reporting
  - P1 Performance Analysis Data development and testing by 03/31/2015
  - P2 Planning Stage Long-Term Roadmap shared at 2/10/2015 TLT meeting



## ES-ISAC Technology Update

- ES-ISAC Information Sharing Portal
  - Vendor support and development transition completed
  - Applied Information Sciences (AIS) more capable and compatible with NERC
  - Change in Microsoft Azure Cloud subscription to a direct agreement with NERC
- CRISP
  - Program reached critical mass Q4 2014
  - Achieving program stabilization and program management improvements
  - Additional enhancements and feature development underway





- Complete development for RADS NERC (Q2 2015).
- Identify business needs for enhanced CMEP tool(s) (Q2 2015).
- Complete configuration for event analysis solution (Q3 2015).
- Expand the creation of central databases for reporting and analysis (Enterprise Reporting Phase 2 and Phase 3 (Q4 2015)).
- Further leverage our xRM platform for consistent client experiences; for example, alerting and registration (Q4 2015).
- Identify ES-ISAC Portal additional features and CRISP enhancements and expansion (Q4 2015).





## **Questions and Answers**





# Standards Committee Election

Valerie Agnew, Director of Standards Standards Oversight and Technology Committee Meeting February 11, 2015











#### **Standards Committee Election**

- Vice Chair Election
  - Resignation of Mr. Scott Miller effective December 31, 2014
  - Election of Mr. Frederick (Fred) Plett December 9, 2014
    - o Term January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015





## **Questions and Answers**





# Reliability Standards Quarterly Status Report

Valerie Agnew, Director of Standards
Standards Oversight and Technology Committee Meeting
February 11, 2015











## **Progress on FERC Directives**

	2012 Directives	2013/2014 Directives	Total	
Issued prior to year-end 2012	191			
Issued in 2013/2014		50		
Resolved as of December 31, 2014	164	24		
Remaining	27	26	53	
Projected to be resolved in 2015	22	22	44	
Projected to be remaining at year-end 2015	5	4	9	
*Does not include non-standards' related directives				



# Progress on Paragraph 81 and Independent Experts' Review Panel (IERP)

Current Status	P81 and IERP Recommendations for Retirement
	281
238	
35	
8	
	238 35



# Progress on Paragraph 81 and Independent Experts' Review Panel (IERP)

Resolution	Number	Percent
Retired	110	46%
Modified	103	43%
Retained	25	11%
	238	
	230	



## Reaching Steady-State in 2015

- February (3)
- May (5)
- August (4)
- December (3)
- Early 2016 (2)
- Enhanced Periodic Review (1)



#### **Completion of Projects Already Initiated**

- February Meeting
  - CIP V5 Revisions
  - TOP/IRO Revisions
  - DGR Medium Priority
- Remainder of 2015
  - Protection System Coordination PRC-027
  - Projection System Coordination PRC-001
  - DGR Medium Priority (PRC-005)
  - UVLS Misoperations (PRC-004)
  - BAL-002-2
  - BAL-005 and BAL-006
  - BAL-004 Periodic Review
  - Implementation of IRO Periodic Review (IRO-006 and IRO-009)
  - Physical Security Directives



## **2015 Initiated Projects**

- Late 2015/Early 2016
  - Real-time Monitoring and Analysis
  - Phase Two of Protection System Misoperations: RAS
- 2015 New Projects
  - TPL Directives
  - EOP-004, -005, -006 and -008 Periodic Review
  - FAC-010, -011 and -014 Periodic Review
  - Alignment of Glossary and Rules of Procedure terms



## Going Forward from Steady-State

- Enhanced Periodic Reviews
  - Measured, in-depth review of quality and content of standards
  - Look for opportunities to make standards more concise
  - Verify content is appropriate
  - Builds on Independent Experts' work with industry input
  - Plan to be developed in first half of 2015
  - No mandated timeline
- Newly Identified Risks
- FERC Directives
- Risk-Based Registration





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