

Standards Committee Nomination Form

Special Election – Segment 6

The North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) [Standards Committee](#) (SC) has two members from each of the ten industry segments. Each SC member is elected by the segment he or she represents. The SC reports to the NERC Board of Trustees and oversees the development of NERC Reliability Standards by performing tasks governed by the [Standard Processes Manual](#), the [Standards Committee Charter](#), and the [SC Work Plan](#).

Anyone may submit a nomination. To be eligible for nomination, a nominee shall be an employee or agent of an entity belonging in the applicable Segment. **To allow verification of affiliation, a nominee must be a registered user in the NERC [Registered Ballot Body](#) (RBB).** It is not required that the nominee be the same person as the entity’s RBB representative for that Segment. Instructions are provided in [Appendix 3B](#) of the NERC Rules of Procedure – *Procedure for Election of Members of the NERC Standards Committee Procedure*. Completed nomination forms will be posted on the [SC Nominations and Elections webpage](#).

Nominations are currently being held to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the 2020-2021 term in Segment 6. Election of representatives is governed by the [Election of Members of the NERC Standards Committee Procedure](#).

Please use this form to nominate candidates. You may submit more than one nomination. Please, however, use one form per nomination. You are welcome to nominate yourself.

Nominee’s name and contact information.	
Name	Thomas Robben
Job Title	Lead Regulatory Analyst
Organization	Evergy (Westar Energy)
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Has the nominee been contacted to verify willingness to serve on the SC?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
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Is the nominee a registered user in the NERC Registered Ballot Body	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
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<p>Does the nominee meet the following definition of “Canadian” contained in the NERC Rules of Procedure?</p> <p><i>“Canadian” means one of the following: (a) a company or association incorporated or organized under the laws of Canada, or its designated representative(s) irrespective of nationality; (b) an agency of a federal, provincial, or local government in Canada, or its designated representative(s) irrespective of nationality; or (c) a self-representing individual who is a Canadian citizen residing in Canada.</i></p>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Person making this nomination (if different from nominee).	
Name	Jennifer Flandermeyer
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Please indicate the industry segment number (1-10) in which the nominee seeks election:

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Please provide a brief summary of the nominee’s qualifications for this SC position. (The summary should be no longer than a single page of single-spaced text.)

As a former Standards Committee member, it is without hesitation to put forward Thomas Robben to participate on the Standards Committee and represent members of Segment 6. Mr. Robben has worked in the energy field for close to nine years. I believe he will bring a perspective that well aligns with the continuing efforts to ensure the Standards Committee is inclusive of a diverse industry view when considering the initiatives and policies that impact BPS reliability. Mr. Robben will provide strong insight and expertise to understanding the market impacts, cost / benefit issues of proposed new or revised Standards, and state commission views which are becoming more and more relevant to the managing of Reliability Standards.

Mr. Robben’s expertise will be a great advantage in addressing FERC, NERC and its members, long-term initiative to consider cost / benefit analysis and impacts of revised and new Standards. He has an understanding of revenue requirements, construction management, asset management,

and the impact of the energy marketplace on revenue. He will provide appreciable insight to the cost / benefit initiative.

Mr. Robben has a panoramic view of issues facing the electric industry, serving as an industry expert with Energy Central, a collaboration network of energy professionals working in the global electric utility industry. His informed understanding of industry issues, like DER, generation retirement, grid management, resilience, and reliability investments will provide beneficial diverse views and serve the Committee.

In support of representing Segment 6 members, Mr. Robben has worked in developing Evergy's revenue requirements and understands the impact of power marketing agreements, and the company's resale in wholesale and retail markets.

He has significant experience in the regulatory arena, active in state regulatory activities, and understands the importance of consensus in determining difficult issues—an understanding that will serve the goals of the Standards Committee.

Mr. Robben earned a bachelor's degree from Washburn University and a Master's in Finance from Avila University. He is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA); Certified Treasury Professional (CTP); and Certified Public Finance Officer (CPFO).

Please complete this form no later than **Monday, August 17, 2020** and send to [Katrina Blackley](#).