

# Standards Committee Nomination Form

## 2022-2023 Term Election – Segments 1-10 (Two-year term)

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 the applicable 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 Nomination and Elections webpage](#).

Nominations are currently being accepted for each of the ten segments for a two-year term.

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	Sarah Snow
Job Title	Manager of Reliability Compliance
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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"/>
Is the nominee a registered user in the NERC Registered Ballot Body	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
Does the nominee meet the following definition of "Canadian" contained in the NERC Rules of Procedure?  <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>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Person making this nomination (if different from nominee).	
Name	Steve McElhaney
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Please indicate the industry segment number (1-10) in which the nominee seeks election:  
*Segment 6.*

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.)

*Sarah Snow is currently the Manager of Reliability Compliance at Cooperative Energy with over 8 years' experience working directly with NERC Reliability Standards. In 2018, Snow was promoted to Manager of a new Reliability Compliance group consisting of Cyber Specialist and NERC Compliance Specialist. Snow has responsibility for ensuring Cooperative Energy has the processes, procedures, and internal controls in place to achieve compliance with both Operations/Planning and CIP standards. Since joining Cooperative Energy,*

*she has created a process for identifying and logging Bulk Electric System Equipment across the company and has brought uniformity to the self-report and investigation process. During her tenure at Cooperative Energy, she has coordinated and prepared for three RRO audits of CIP and Operations/Planning, and a NERC Balancing Authority re-certification process review. Additionally, Snow is responsible for monitoring standard drafting activity, following projects as they move through the process, and advising Cooperative Energy on the implications of proposed Standards.*

*Snow served as a representative on the SERC Registered Entity Forum Steering Committee from 2016-2020. In that role she has moderated and scribed for REF sessions during compliance workshops and serves as a liaison between SERC staff and member entities. She is a member of several practice groups within the North American Transmission Forum.*

*Snow currently serves as the section 6 representative on the Standards Committee. She was elected in a special election in 2020. Snow has participated in Committee Meetings and has solicited feedback from sector members before meetings to vote according to the sector's interests.*

*Snow graduated Summa Cum Laude from Mississippi State University with a Bachelor of Arts in political science and a J.D. from Mississippi College School of Law. Snow is licensed to practice law in Mississippi and Tennessee.*

Please complete this form no later than **Monday, October 25, 2021** and send to [Katrina Blackley](#).