

# Standards Committee Nomination Form

2016-2017 Term Elections

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](#).

Any person may nominate any other person to serve on the SC, with the limitation that the nominee must be employed by or an agent of an entity that is registered in that segment of the [Registered Ballot Body](#) (RBB) of the [Standards Balloting and Commenting System](#). The nominee is not required to be the RBB representative from that organization.

Nominations are currently being accepted for each of the ten segments. Election of representatives is governed by the NERC Rules of Procedure, Appendix 3B: [Procedures for Election of Members of the Standards Committee](#).

You may use this form to nominate candidates for segments 1 through 10. 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	Chris Gowder
Job Title	Regulatory Compliance Specialist
Organization	Florida Municipal Power Agency
Telephone	321-239-1022
Email	<a href="mailto:chris.gowder@fmpa.com">chris.gowder@fmpa.com</a>
Fax	407-355-5794
Mailing Address	8553 Commodity Circle Orlando, FL 32819

Has the nominee been contacted to verify willingness to serve on the SC?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
--	---	-----------------------------

<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"/>
--	------------------------------	--

Person making this nomination (if different from nominee).	
Name	Frank Gaffney
Organization	Florida Municipal Power Agency
Telephone	321-239-1026
Fax	407-355-5794
Email	<a href="mailto:frank.gaffney@fmpa.com">frank.gaffney@fmpa.com</a>
Mailing Address	8553 Commodity Circle Orlando, FL 32819

Please indicate the industry segment number (1-10) in which the nominee seeks election:

Segment 4 Transmission Dependent Utilities (TDUs)

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.)

Chris has nearly 14 years of experience working in various areas of the electric utility industry, and began his career as an intern with FMPA just before graduating from the University of Central Florida with a BS in Computer Engineering in 2001. Past positions include EMS/SCADA Software Engineer, Resource Planning Engineer, and Operations Planning Engineer. Chris has been very involved in regional committees, most recently serving as FMPA's representation on the FRCC Operating Reliability Subcommittee along with some of its working groups and task forces, including as chair of the System Operating Limit Methodology Task Force and the Standards Review Task Force.

Chris's current responsibilities, as Regulatory Compliance Specialist, involve working closely with FMPA's subject matter experts, agents, and member utilities to ensure both FMPA and its members are meeting compliance expectations. He carries out many of the activities prescribed by FMPA's internal compliance program such as, conducting internal audits, organizing peer review audits among FMPA members, and developing training materials. Chris has also been heavily involved in the NERC standards development process by monitoring standard drafting team efforts and establishing positions for FMPA on balloting and commenting actions.

Please complete this form no later than **Monday, October 19, 2015** and send to [monica.benson@nerc.net](mailto:monica.benson@nerc.net).