

**2019 Business Plan & Budget
Draft 1
Comments from NRECA
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Please see the following for NRECA's comments on the first draft NERC 2019 BP&B:

- NRECA appreciates NERC and Regional Entity efforts to keep non-E-ISAC cost increases relatively flat and controlled.
- NRECA supports the significant increases in E-ISAC funding as it is critical for industry to have a much improved E-ISAC.
- NRECA encourages NERC and the Regional Entities to continue the focus on the leveling of future budget increases. It's important to ensure that increased expenses are not the only solution for solving problems and that non-monetary options should also be considered.
- NRECA requests that NERC and the E-ISAC provide budget projections for the anticipated costs over the next few years to complete implementation of the E-ISAC long-term strategy.
- NRECA recommends that NERC use \$1.2M from the Assessment Stabilization Reserve to reduce the proposed 2019 assessments. In the alternative, NRECA could also support NERC using \$800k to \$900k for reducing the proposed 2019 assessments.