

## MRO Seeks Nominations for Expiring Organizational Group Positions

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**SAINT PAUL, MN.** Midwest Reliability Organization (MRO) continues to collaborate closely with industry to advance our collective vision of a highly reliable and secure North American bulk power system. The work we do to address risk relies on the experience and expertise of industry experts who contribute their input and technical skills to help identify emerging risks, develop mitigation strategies, address planning and resource adequacy issues, focus on important cyber and physical security threats, and conduct outreach to industry participants across the region.

### *Organizational Group Member Qualifications*

Membership on MRO organizational groups is based on experience, expertise, and to the extent practicable, geographic diversity and sector balance. The role and duties of each group, as well as the specific qualifications for membership, can be found in each organizational group's charter on our [website](#).

Only individuals employed by an MRO member company are eligible to serve on MRO organizational groups. A list of members and information on how to apply for membership is on the [member page](#) of our website.

In addition to the skills sought after for organizational group members outlined in each organizational group charter, MRO seeks to enhance both inherent and acquired diversity across all of its organizational groups. Diverse teams have proven to focus more on facts and remain objective during decision-making, leading to improved and more accurate group thinking. Additionally, diverse teams consider and process those facts more carefully given various perspectives and experiences. Finally, diverse teams are also more innovative and boost intellectual perspective.

### *Call for Nominations*

Each year, MRO solicits nominations for positions on MRO organizational groups, as well as positions as MRO-sponsored representatives on NERC stakeholder groups, which are open or set to expire at year-end. The term for these positions is between one and three years, depending on the open seat. Organizational group members will review the nominees and make recommendations, including assigned terms, to the board's Organizational Group Oversight Committee (OGOC).

Below is a list of the number of open positions on each MRO organizational group.

MRO Organizational Group	Open Positions
CMEP Advisory Council	6
NERC Standards Review Forum	11

Protective Relay Subgroup	7
Reliability Advisory Council	6
Security Advisory Council	5
Security Threat Forum	2

In addition to open MRO organizational group positions, MRO expanded the number of NERC organizational groups it is sponsoring representation on. Below is a list of open positions for MRO representatives on NERC organizational groups.

MRO Representative on NERC Group	Open Positions
NERC Compliance and Certification Committee (CCC)	1
NERC Electric Gas Working Group (EGWG)	1
NERC System Planning Impacts from DER Working Group (SPIDERWG)	1
NERC Energy Reliability Assessment Task Force (ERATF)	1
NERC Facilities Ratings Task Force (FRTF)	1
NERC Project Management Oversight Subcommittee (PMOS)	1
NERC Standards Committee (SC)	1
NERC Supply Chain Task Force (SCTF)	1
NERC Supply Chain Working Group (SCWG)	1
NERC Security Integration and Technology Enablement Subcommittee (SITES)	1
NERC Security Working Group (SWG)	1

To nominate yourself or someone you know for one of these open positions, please complete the following nomination forms:

**Nomination form for [MRO Organizational Groups](#)**

**Nomination form for [MRO Representative on NERC Organizational Group](#)**

Please note that you are required to submit multiple nominations if you intend to apply for more than one MRO organizational group or as a NERC representative on multiple NERC groups. The nomination period begins today and ends on **Thursday, October 6, 2021**.

#### *Next Steps*

Following the nomination period, the appropriate advisory council reviews the candidates' experience and qualifications and makes a recommendation to the board's Organizational Group Oversight Committee (OGOC) for approval. Approved organizational group members and MRO representatives on NERC groups will be seated on January 1, 2022.

Please direct any questions on this announcement or on organizational group membership to [julie.peterson@mro.net](mailto:julie.peterson@mro.net).