



MRO to Restructure Industry Organizational Groups

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SAINT PAUL, MINN. At its June board meeting, the Midwest Reliability Organization (MRO) Board of Directors approved restructuring MRO’s existing organizational groups to allow participation from all registered entities in MRO’s recently expanded footprint. The proposed structure consolidates MRO’s existing committees under three separate councils. The councils will report to a new board committee called the Organizational Group Oversight Committee.



This new structure not only allows broad geographical participation, it also promotes effective and efficient use of resources by reducing the number of groups and by focusing membership on experience and expertise—generating deliverables that positively impact risk to the reliable and secure operations of the bulk power system. [Draft charters](#) for each of these councils are slated for approval at the board’s upcoming [October 4, 2018 meeting](#).

How to Participate

Each council will have fifteen members with staggered terms, and at least three industry sectors will be represented. The CMEP Advisory Council and the Reliability Advisory Council members will be newly appointed. The Security Advisory Council is existing and currently has nine members with three open positions due to expiring terms, one position open due to a vacancy for a position with an unexpired term, and six new members to be appointed to this council.

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Upon board approval of the charters, MRO will solicit nominations for individuals to serve on the councils from all MRO Members. We anticipate the nomination period will begin October 5 and run through October 17. The provisions regarding council membership and expectations can be found in the [draft council charters](#).

If you are interested in joining a council or nominating someone else to serve on any of the councils, please watch for the nomination notice from MRO!

Please note that only MRO Members can participate on MRO's organizational groups. Membership is voluntary and free of charge, and we encourage all entities registered in the MRO Region to consider joining MRO as a member. More information on membership is on our [website](#).

Next Steps

All council nominations will be presented to the board's Governance and Personnel Committee for consideration at its meeting on October 30, 2018. The Governance and Personnel Committee will recommend individuals for council membership to the board for approval at the Annual Board and Member Meeting on November 29, 2018.

Council members will be seated on January 1, 2019.

Questions on this announcement may be directed to [Jessie Mitchell](#), Stakeholder Relations and Communications Principal and Assistant Corporate Secretary.

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Midwest Reliability Organization (MRO) is a non-profit organization dedicated to ensuring the reliability and security of the bulk power system in the central region of North America, including parts of both the United States and Canada. MRO is one of seven regional entities in North America operating under authority from regulators in the United States through a delegation agreement with the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC) and in Canada under similar arrangements. The primary focus of MRO is developing and ensuring compliance with reliability standards and assessing the grid's ability to meet the demands for electricity.