

North American Transmission Forum External Newsletter

April 2023

NATF-EPRI-NERC Transmission Resilience Summit

Industry leaders and subject-matter experts engaged in resilience activities are encouraged to attend the 2023 NATF-EPRI-NERC Transmission Resilience Summit on May 17, 2023, in Tempe, Arizona, hosted by Salt River Project at its PERA facility. The summit will focus on climate resilience and feature technical briefings, panel sessions, and presentations from utility members and others.

Detailed agenda planning is underway, and registration is open.

Supply Chain Criteria and Questionnaire Revisions

The NATF Criteria and Questionnaire Revision Team has reviewed suggested modifications to the "NATF Supply Chain Security Criteria" and the "Energy Sector Supply Chain Risk Questionnaire." The proposed changes have been posted for industry-wide comment on the NATF Supply Chain Cyber Security Industry Coordination page. A summary of changes is available in the "Change Log" section of each document, and changes are indicated by red font.

Feedback on the proposed changes can be submitted to supplychain@natf.net through April 9.

The revision team will review comments in April and May and make any final determinations. The updated documents will be posted following NATF board approval in June.

Supplier Sharing Calls

NATF supplier sharing calls are facilitated by suppliers and typically held exclusively for the supplier community; however, the May call will bring suppliers together with NATF members. Supplier-only calls will resume in July.

Wednesday, May 24, 2023 (open to suppliers and NATF member companies) 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. eastern Register

 Will provide suppliers with an overview of entity regulation and an opportunity to discuss the national cybersecurity strategy

Wednesday, July 19, 2023 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. eastern Register

• Exclusively for suppliers (opportunity to address areas identified on the March and May calls)

Open Distribution



The discussions will be led by representatives of the hosting suppliers: SEL, Siemens Energy, Hitachi Energy, and Schneider Electric. In addition, the calls are supported by representatives from the International Society of Automation (ISA), the National Electrical Manufacturers Association (NEMA), and the US Chamber of Commerce.

The intent of these calls is to encourage conversation among suppliers, provide a forum for suppliers to share forefront security concerns and how to address them, and discuss general security practices. The calls are applicable to suppliers of all sizes and security maturity.

Redacted Operating Experience Reports

We recently posted three new operating experience reports to the "<u>Documents</u>" section of our public site for members and other utilities to use internally and share with their contractors to help improve safety, reliability, and resilience.

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