

The National Resolutions Committee Report and 2021 Compendium of Proposed Resolutions

Revised August 2, 2021, with new text in red

The Report and Compendium have been revised by the National Resolutions Committee to remove the proposed amendment to existing resolution, "Nuclear Power," formerly Proposed Amendment 9 in the Compendium released July 14, 2021. Following the release, the Committee received concerns from voting members regarding the amended language. While the Committee's intent was to provide additional detail about advanced nuclear designs and strengthen support of the technology, the Committee understands that these members interpreted the language as harmful to existing nuclear owners. Upon additional review, in consultation with the submitting member, and by written consent (i.e. without holding a meeting), the Committee determined to remove the proposed amendment from the Compendium. As a result, nuclear power is not included in the proposed resolutions for consideration at the 2021 Regional Meetings. Please see "Proposals Not Advanced to the 2021 Regional Meetings" below for more information regarding the original submission.

The National Resolutions Committee met virtually on June 25, 2021. A recording of the meeting is <u>available to view on Cooperative.com</u> as is the full text of each proposal submitted by the membership.

The Committee has recommended for the adoption of two brand new proposed resolutions and six proposed amendments to existing resolutions. The proposals will be considered at the 2021 Regional Meetings. Explanations of the Committee's recommendations precede the language of each proposal in the Compendium below.

The Committee remained mindful of the goals of the 2020-2021 restructure of the member resolutions and booklet – to streamline existing resolutions and create a booklet of actionable, relevant, time sensitive resolutions that provide guidance for NRECA internally, or proper messaging externally, that is more navigable, while not impairing the ability of the membership to advance ideas, initiatives, or direction that are not otherwise being taken into consideration by NRECA. With that in mind, for some submissions, the Committee chose to amend existing resolutions rather than advance new resolutions.

Also during the prior year's restructure, the Committee deferred amendments to resolutions addressing hydropower due to the highly technical nature of these issues. The Committee requested input from NRECA voting members who participate on the National Preference Customers Committee (NPCC), an organization of consumer-owned electric utilities that purchase federal hydropower. Consistent with the Committee's request, several proposed mergers and amendments to hydropower resolutions were submitted and are included in the Compendium. The deletion of four existing hydropower resolutions that have been merged, or otherwise incorporated

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into existing resolutions, will be presented for voting delegates' consideration at the 2022 NRECA Annual Business Meeting.

NRECA and the Committee continually strive to make the resolutions process open and accessible to NRECA voting members. Members submitting proposals were invited to join the meeting to present and discuss their submissions with the Committee. This allows for a dialogue and a better understanding of members' ideas. Together, the Committee and members were able to collaborate on the final language presented in the Compendium.

Proposals Not Advanced to the 2021 Regional Meetings

The Committee includes the below brief explanations on why the following proposals are not included in the 2021 Compendium of Proposed Resolutions. Parenthetical information refers to the resolution number and page in the 2021 Member Resolutions booklet. All proposals, as submitted by voting members, are available for review on the Resolutions Committee page of Cooperative.com. As a reminder, any NRECA voting member may re-introduce these concepts (or any new proposals) for consideration at a Regional Meeting. The Committee encourages members to work with regional resolutions committees in Regions 1 and 4 to introduce proposals early in the process and allow for input from all Regions. Regional committee rosters will be available in the member resolutions process section of Cooperative.com later this summer.

Proposed new resolution, "Support Advanced Nuclear Power," submitted by San Isabel Electric, Colorado and supported by the Colorado Rural Electric Association, Colorado. During the June 25 meeting and in consultation with the submitting member, the Committee reviewed the existing resolution "Nuclear Power," which currently addresses advanced nuclear power technology. The Committee preferred to amend the existing resolution by adding additional detail about advanced nuclear power rather than propose a stand-alone resolution. As explained above, the original Committee Report and Compendium released on July 14, has been revised here to remove the proposed amendment to "Nuclear Power." Therefore, the proposed amendment is not advanced to the membership for consideration at the 2021 Regional Meetings.

Proposed new resolution, "Extreme Weather Events and Consumer Reliability," submitted by Farmers' Electric Cooperative and Roosevelt County Electric Cooperative, New Mexico; supported by the New Mexico Rural Electric Cooperative Association, Springer Electric Cooperative, New Mexico, and Western Farmers Electric Cooperative, Oklahoma. After discussion with the submitting members, the Committee determined there is sufficiently broad guidance for NRECA regarding reliability and protection of infrastructure in existing resolutions "Power Supply" (No. 6, p. 17), "Power Delivery" (No. 7, p. 23), and "Energy Markets and Industry Structure" (No. 8, p. 26), as well as other existing resolutions within those sections. Therefore, the Committee decided not to forward this proposal.

Discussion topic from the NRECA Regulatory Member Standing Committee: Consider amending existing resolutions "Transmission Planning and Cost Allocation of High Voltage Transmission Facilities" (No. 7.1, p. 23) and "Regional Transmission Organizations" (No. 7.3, p. 24). The Committee discussed amending these existing resolutions to specifically address transmission owning entities. After review and discussion, the Committee determined the existing language is

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sufficient since "load-serving entities" is broad enough to include transmission owners. Therefore, the Committee did not propose an amendment.

Proposals Postponed to the January 2022 Member Standing Committee Meetings

Proposed amendment to change the title of "Support for Western Area Power Administration Power Rate Stability" (No. 6.9, p. 19) to "Colorado River Storage Project," submitted by Mohave Electric Cooperative, Arizona, and developed by the National Preference Customer Committee. Since this proposal only amends the title of the resolution, the Committee postponed further consideration until the January 2022 member standing committee meetings where the committees are authorized to recommend non-substantive amendments such as title changes for voting delegates' consideration at the 2022 NRECA Annual Business Meeting.

Recommendations for reorganizing resolutions under "Power Supply" (Nos. 6.1-6.20), submitted by Mohave Electric Cooperative, Arizona, and developed by the National Preference Customer Committee. The Committee postponed consideration of this proposal until the Committee's January 2022 meeting where the Committee is tasked with ensuring that all resolutions relating to a specific subject are offered in a logical sequence for voting delegates' consideration at the 2022 NRECA Annual Business Meeting.

Discussion topic from the January 2021 NRECA Member Standing Committees: Review resolution titles and terms for consistency; create a glossary or add additional footnotes where needed. The Committee asked NRECA staff to draft non-substantive title changes, such as "Support for," to create consistency across all existing resolutions. Additionally, the Committee requested that NRECA staff identify terms and references to NRECA distribution members and generation and transmission members throughout the 2021 member resolutions booklet and draft a footnote to help clarify the resolutions are intended to address all types of NRECA's voting member systems, such as public power districts, public utility districts, and similar voting member entities. The NRECA Member Standing Committees will review and consider staff's drafts at their January 2022 meetings.

In Conclusion

The Committee hopes that the membership finds this report informative. We encourage you to discuss the proposed resolutions with your boards and state associations. We also encourage you to add your cooperative's input to these proposals and the member resolutions process by participating during the 2021 Regional Meetings in September and October – either in person or remotely. If you have questions about the Compendium or remote participation, please contact resolutions@nreca.coop.

Finally, please be sure your system <u>certifies a voting delegate</u> to vote at your region's business meeting. Contact NRECA's Membership Department at (703) 907-5868 or <u>VotingDelegates@nreca.coop</u> if you have questions about delegate certifications.

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