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#### "A lie gets halfway around the world before the truth has a chance to get its pants on."

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A Program of the Electricity Subsector Coordinating Council



#### Purpose

The ESCC is the **principal liaison** between the electric sector and the federal government for coordinating efforts to prepare for, and respond to, national-level disasters or threats to critical infrastructure.





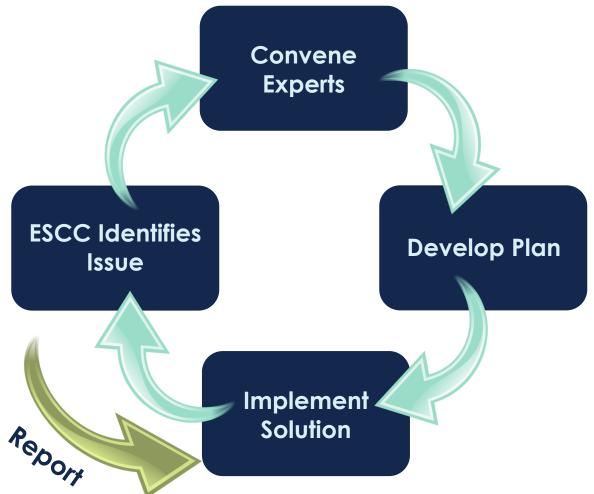
# "The best example currently in CEO engagement with the Federal government."

- National Infrastructure Advisory Council, 2015

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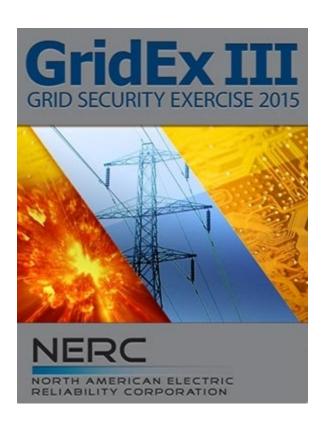
# Lifecycle of ESCC Initiatives





# **Key Events Preceding CMA**





November 2015:
 NERC GridEx III
 Exercise

December 2015:
 Ukraine Cyber Attack

### Challenges



- ✓ Typically "no-notice"
- ✓ No clear beginning and end
- ✓ Not geographically bounded

"Am I next? Am I ready to respond?"

## Traditional Mutual Assistance











\*Exercise Exercise Exercise\*

#### **CMA Mission Statement**



Provides assistance, on a voluntary basis, to other entities participating in the CMA Program in advance, or in the event of, a disruption of electric or natural gas service and computer systems due to a cyber emergency.

# Types of Assistance



- Short-term advisory assistance, including services, personnel, and/or equipment.
- Assistance can be provided remotely and when:
  - Significant threats or critical system vulnerabilities have been identified
  - A cyber incident causes the disruption of electric or natural gas service

## **Program Statistics**



- 146 Participating Entities in the US & Canada:
  - Investor-owned
  - Public Power
  - Cooperatives
  - RTOs/ISOs

- Approximately:
  - 80% of US electricity customers
  - 75% of US domestic natural gas customers
  - 1.25 million
     electricity customers
     in Canada

## How to Participate



- The CMA Program is open to electric and natural gas companies
- Participation is covered by a nondisclosure agreement, and is voluntary and confidential

## Organization Structure



#### **Electricity Subsector Coordinating Council (ESCC)**

#### **Executive Committee**

- 3 IOU Members
- 1 Not-For-Profit Member
- 1 Cooperative Member
- 1 RTO or ISO Member
- 1 Canadian Member

#### **Coordinator Committee**

- Chair
- Vice Chair
- Coordinators

### **Activating the Program**



- Through its CMA Coordinator, a Requesting Entity may make a request:
  - Directly to any other Participating Entity
  - More broadly to all Participating Entities

## **Next Steps**



- Expand participation within the electric and natural gas subsectors
- Fully integrate the program within participating entities
- Develop relationships with crosssector partners and external stakeholders

## **Upcoming Events**



- In person meeting this week
- Additional Drills in 2018 and beyond

#### Join us!



#### To join, or for more information:

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