



## **The SABER Organizing Group**

The purpose of SABER is to provide a single location for private sector organizations to deposit their operations disruption and restoration information to be shared with authorized government agencies and other approved organizations.

The role of the SABER Organizing Group is to set policy and promote the growth of SABER in membership and capabilities. The Organizing Group conceives, considers, and approves major strategic initiatives of SABER. The Organizing Group reviews descriptive and promotional materials about SABER to assure the quality and accuracy of the documents. The Organizing Group reviews applicants for membership in SABER to assure that the principles of SABER information sharing are not compromised by any member. The primary model of communication for the Organizing Group is through weekly telephone conferences to discuss the progress of SABER and decide oversight questions.

The Organizing Group is representative of the membership and thus includes private sector (profit and nonprofit) organizations and governments (federal, state, local, and tribal). As of 2/6/14, the Organizing Group consists of:

- Walgreens - Jim Williams
- Macy's - David Hoiser
- Target - Aaron Bergquist
- Wal-Mart - Joe Heckman and Brooke Brager
- Florida Division of Emergency Management - Bryan Lowe
- BEOC Alliance - Michael Chumer
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