

# Reliability Standard Audit Worksheet<sup>1</sup>

## CIP-008-7 – Cyber Security — Incident Reporting and Response Planning

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**Registered Entity:** Name of Registered Entity being audited  
**NCR Number:** NCRnnnnn  
**Compliance Enforcement Authority:** Region or NERC performing audit  
**Compliance Assessment Date(s)<sup>2</sup>:** Month DD, YYYY, to Month DD, YYYY  
**Compliance Monitoring Method:** [On-site Audit | Off-site Audit | Spot Check]  
**Names of Auditors:** Supplied by CEA

### Applicability of Requirements

	BA	DP	GO	GOP	PA/PC	RC	RP	RSG	TO	TOP	TP	TSP
R1	X	*	X	X		X			X	X		
R2	X	*	X	X		X			X	X		
R3	X	*	X	X		X			X	X		
R4	X	*	X	X		X			X	X		

\*CIP-008-7 is only applicable to DPs that own certain UFLS, UVLS, RAS, protection systems, or cranking paths. See CIP-003-8 Section 4, Applicability, for details.

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**Findings**

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Req.	Finding	Summary and Documentation	Functions Monitored
R1			
R2			
R3			
R4			

Req.	Areas of Concern

Req.	Recommendations

Req.	Positive Observations

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**Subject Matter Experts**

Identify the Subject Matter Expert(s) responsible for this Reliability Standard.

**Registered Entity Response (Required; Insert additional rows if needed):**

SME Name	Title	Organization	Requirement(s)

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### **R1 Supporting Evidence and Documentation**

- R1.** Each Responsible Entity shall document one or more Cyber Security Incident response plan(s) that collectively include each of the applicable requirement parts in *CIP-008-7 Table R1 – Cyber Security Incident Response Plan Specifications*. [Violation Risk Factor: Lower] [Time Horizon: Long Term Planning].
- M1.** Evidence must include each of the documented plan(s) that collectively include each of the applicable requirement parts in *CIP-008-7 Table R1 – Cyber Security Incident Response Plan Specifications*.

### **R1 Part 1.1**

CIP-008-7 Table R1 – Cyber Security Incident Response Plan Specifications			
Part	Applicable Systems	Requirements	Measures
1.1	High impact BCS and their associated Electronic Access Control and Monitoring Systems (EACMS)  Medium impact BCS and their associated EACMS  Shared Cyber Infrastructure (SCI) supporting an Applicable System in this Part	One or more processes to identify, classify, and respond to Cyber Security Incidents.	An example of evidence may include, but are not limited to, dated documentation of Cyber Security Incident response plan(s) that include the process(es) to identify, classify, and respond to Cyber Security Incidents.

**Registered Entity Response (Required):**

**Compliance Narrative:**

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**Compliance Assessment Approach Specific to CIP-008-7, R1, Part 1.1**

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	Verify the Responsible Entity has documented one or more Cyber Security Incident response plans which include one or more processes to identify, classify, and respond to Cyber Security Incidents.
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**R1 Part 1.2**

CIP-008-7 Table R1 – Cyber Security Incident Response Plan Specifications			
Part	Applicable Systems	Requirements	Measures
1.2	High impact BCS and their associated EACMS  Medium impact BCS and their associated EACMS  SCI supporting an Applicable System in this Part	One or more processes: 1.2.1. That include criteria to evaluate and define attempts to compromise; 1.2.2. To determine if an identified Cyber Security Incident is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A Reportable Cyber Security Incident; or</li> <li>• An attempt to compromise, as determined by applying the criteria from Part 1.2.1, one or more systems identified in the “Applicable Systems” column for this Part; and</li> </ul> 1.2.3. To provide notification per Requirement R4.	Examples of evidence may include, but are not limited to, dated documentation of Cyber Security Incident response plan(s) that provide guidance or thresholds for determining which Cyber Security Incidents are also Reportable Cyber Security Incidents or a Cyber Security Incident that is determined to be an attempt to compromise a system identified in the “Applicable Systems” column including justification for attempt determination criteria and documented processes for notification.

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	Verify the Responsible Entity has documented one or more Cyber Security Incident response plans which include one or more processes that include criteria to evaluate and define attempts to compromise.
	Verify the Responsible Entity has documented one or more Cyber Security Incident response plans which include one or more processes to determine if an identified Cyber Security Incident is: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A Reportable Cyber Security Incident; or</li><li>• an attempt to compromise, as determined by applying the criteria from Part 1.2.1, one or more systems identified in the “Applicable Systems” column for this Part.</li></ul>
	Verify the Responsible Entity has documented one or more Cyber Security Incident response plans which include one or more processes to provide notification per Requirement R4.
<b>Note to Auditor:</b> If the Responsible Entity is prohibited by law from reporting to the E-ISAC, then the process need not include a provision for reporting to the E-ISAC. If this provision is invoked, the audit team should verify that the Responsible Entity is prohibited by law from reporting to the E-ISAC.  If the Responsible Entity is within U.S. jurisdiction, but is prohibited by law from reporting to the NCCIC, then the process need not include a provision for reporting to the NCCIC. If this provision is invoked, the audit team should verify that the Responsible Entity is prohibited by law from reporting to the NCCIC.	

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**R1 Part 1.3**

CIP-008-7 Table R1 – Cyber Security Incident Response Plan Specifications			
Part	Applicable Systems	Requirements	Measures
1.3	High impact BCS and their associated EACMS  Medium impact BCS and their associated EACMS  SCI supporting an Applicable System in this Part	The roles and responsibilities of Cyber Security Incident response groups or individuals.	Examples of evidence may include, but are not limited to, dated Cyber Security Incident response process(es) or procedure(s) that define roles and responsibilities (e.g., monitoring, reporting, initiating, documenting, etc.) of Cyber Security Incident response groups or individuals.

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	Verify the Responsible Entity has documented one or more Cyber Security Incident response plans which define the roles and responsibilities of Cyber Security Incident response groups or individuals.
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**R1 Part 1.4**

CIP-008-7 Table R1 – Cyber Security Incident Response Plan Specifications			
Part	Applicable Systems	Requirements	Measures
1.4	High impact BCS and their associated EACMS  Medium impact BCS and their associated EACMS  SCI supporting an Applicable System in this Part	Incident handling procedures for Cyber Security Incidents.	Examples of evidence may include, but are not limited to, dated Cyber Security Incident response process(es) or procedure(s) that address incident handling (e.g., containment, eradication, recovery/incident resolution).

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Verify the Responsible Entity has documented one or more Cyber Security Incident response plans which include incident handling procedures for Cyber Security Incidents.
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**R2 Supporting Evidence and Documentation**

- R2.** Each Responsible Entity shall implement each of its documented Cyber Security Incident response plans to collectively include each of the applicable requirement parts in *CIP-008-7 Table R2 – Cyber Security Incident Response Plan Implementation and Testing*. [Violation Risk Factor: Lower] [Time Horizon: Operations Planning and Real-Time Operations].
- M2.** Evidence must include, but is not limited to, documentation that collectively demonstrates implementation of each of the applicable requirement parts in *CIP-008-7 Table R2 – Cyber Security Incident Response Plan Implementation and Testing*.

**R2 Part 2.1**

CIP-008-7 Table R2 – Cyber Security Incident Response Plan Implementation and Testing			
Part	Applicable Systems	Requirements	Measures
2.1	High impact BCS and their associated EACMS  Medium impact BCS and their associated EACMS  SCI supporting an Applicable System in this Part	Test each Cyber Security Incident response plan(s) at least once every 15 calendar months: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• By responding to an actual Reportable Cyber Security Incident;</li> <li>• With a paper drill or tabletop exercise of a Reportable Cyber Security Incident; or</li> <li>• With an operational exercise of a Reportable Cyber Security Incident.</li> </ul>	Examples of evidence may include, but are not limited to, dated evidence of a lessons-learned report that includes a summary of the test or a compilation of notes, logs, and communication resulting from the test. Types of exercises may include discussion or operations based exercises.

**Registered Entity Response (Required):**

**Compliance Narrative:**

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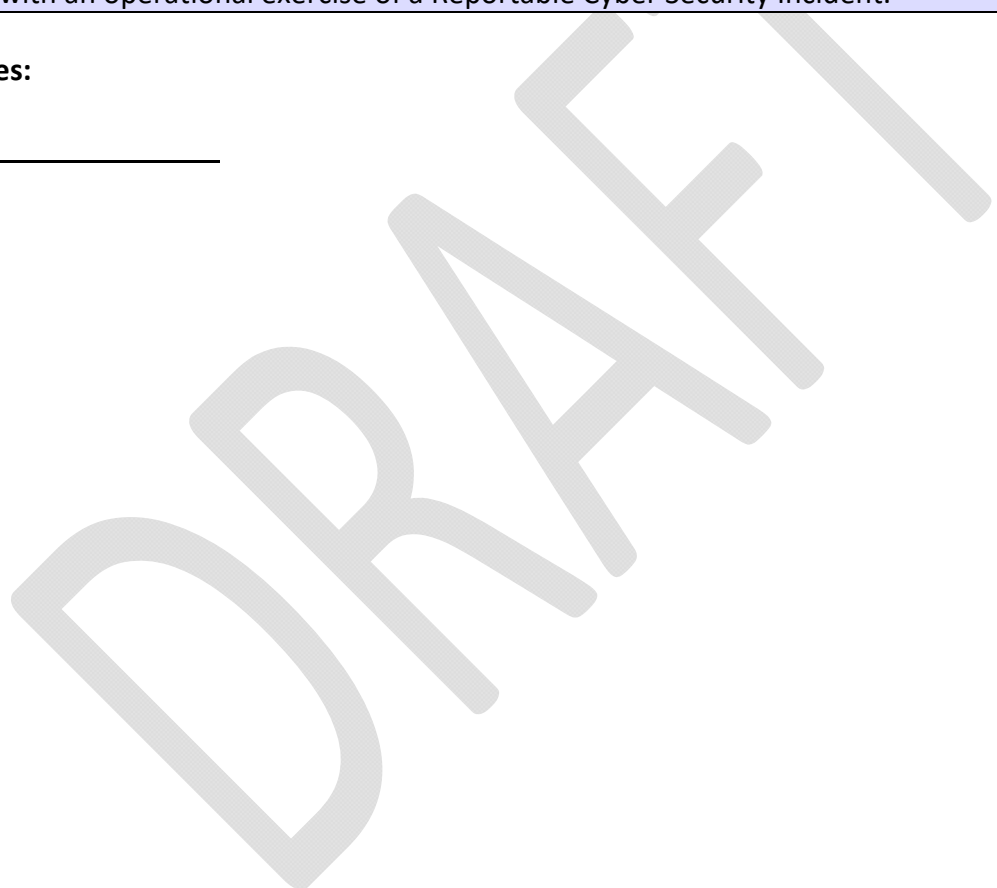

**Compliance Assessment Approach Specific to CIP-008-7, R2, Part 2.1**

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	Verify the Responsible Entity has tested each Cyber Security Incident response plan at least once every 15 calendar months: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• By responding to an actual Reportable Cyber Security Incident;</li><li>• with a paper drill or tabletop exercise of a Reportable Cyber Security Incident; or</li><li>• with an operational exercise of a Reportable Cyber Security Incident.</li></ul>
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**R2 Part 2.2**

CIP-008-7 Table R2 – Cyber Security Incident Response Plan Implementation and Testing			
Part	Applicable Systems	Requirements	Measures
2.2	High impact BCS and their associated EACMS  Medium impact BCS and their associated EACMS  SCI supporting an Applicable System in this Part	Use the Cyber Security Incident response plan(s) under Requirement R1 when responding to a Reportable Cyber Security Incident, responding to a Cyber Security Incident that attempted to compromise a system identified in the Applicable Systems column for this Part, or performing an exercise of a Reportable Cyber Security Incident. Document deviations from the plan(s) taken during the response to the incident or exercise.	Examples of evidence may include, but are not limited to, incident reports, logs, and notes that were kept during the incident response process, and follow-up documentation that describes deviations taken from the plan during the incident response or exercise.

**Registered Entity Response (Required):**

**Compliance Narrative:**

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**Compliance Assessment Approach Specific to CIP-008-7 R2 Part 2.2**

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	Verify the Responsible Entity used the Cyber Security Incident response plan(s) reviewed under Requirement R1 when responding to a Reportable Cyber Security Incident, when responding to a Cyber Security Incident that attempted to compromise a system identified in the “Applicable Systems” column for this Part, or when performing an exercise of a Reportable Cyber Security Incident.
	Verify the Responsible Entity has documented deviations from the plan(s), if any, taken during the response to the Reportable Cyber Security Incident, to the Cyber Security Incident that attempted to compromise a system identified in the “Applicable Systems” column for this Part, or during the performance of an exercise of a Reportable Cyber Security Incident.
<b>Note to Auditor:</b> The practice of incident response requires the ability to be flexible when responding to Cyber Security Incidents. This is acknowledged by this Part’s provision for documenting deviations from the Responsible Entity’s incident response plan. The auditor should note that, while deviations from the incident response plan are permissible, deviations from the language of the Requirement (testing of the plan at least once every 15 calendar months, notification to the E-ISAC and NCCIC of applicable incidents, etc.), are not permissible.	

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**R2 Part 2.3**

CIP-008-7 Table R2 – Cyber Security Incident Response Plan Implementation and Testing			
Part	Applicable Systems	Requirements	Measures
2.3	High impact BCS and their associated EACMS  Medium impact BCS and their associated EACMS  SCI supporting an Applicable System in this Part	Retain records related to Reportable Cyber Security Incidents and Cyber Security Incidents that attempted to compromise a system identified in the “Applicable Systems” column for this Part as per the Cyber Security Incident response plan(s) under Requirement R1.	Examples of evidence may include, but are not limited to, dated documentation, such as security logs, police reports, emails, response forms or checklists, forensic analysis results, restoration records, and post-incident review notes related to Reportable Cyber Security Incidents and a Cyber Security Incident that is determined to be an attempt to compromise a system identified in the Applicable Systems column.

**Registered Entity Response (Required):**

**Compliance Narrative:**

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**Compliance Assessment Approach Specific to CIP-008-7, R2, Part 2.3**

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Verify the Responsible Entity has retained records related to Reportable Cyber Security Incidents and Cyber Security Incidents that attempted to compromise a system identified in the “Applicable Systems” column for this Part as per the Cyber Security Incident response plan(s) under Requirement R1.
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**R3 Supporting Evidence and Documentation**

- R3.** Each Responsible Entity shall maintain each of its Cyber Security Incident response plans according to each of the applicable requirement parts in *CIP-008-7 Table R3 – Cyber Security Incident Response Plan Review, Update, and Communication*. [Violation Risk Factor: Lower] [Time Horizon: Operations Assessment].
- M3.** Evidence must include, but is not limited to, documentation that collectively demonstrates maintenance of each Cyber Security Incident response plan according to the applicable requirement parts in *CIP-008-7 Table R3 – Cyber Security Incident Response Plan Review, Update, and Communication*.

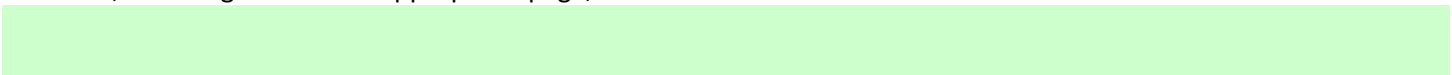
**R3 Part 3.1**

CIP-008-7 Table R3 – Cyber Security Incident Response Plan Review, Update, and Communication			
Part	Applicable Systems	Requirements	Measures
3.1	<p>High impact BCS and their associated EACMS</p> <p>Medium impact BCS and their associated EACMS</p> <p>SCI supporting an Applicable System in this Part</p>	<p>No later than 90 calendar days after completion of a Cyber Security Incident response plan(s) test or actual Reportable Cyber Security Incident response:</p> <p>3.2.1. Document any lessons learned or document the absence of any lessons learned;</p> <p>3.2.2. Update the Cyber Security Incident response plan based on any documented lessons learned associated with the plan; and</p> <p>3.1.1. Notify each person or group with a defined role in the Cyber Security Incident response plan of the updates to the Cyber Security Incident response plan based on any documented lessons learned.</p>	<p>Examples of evidence may include, but are not limited to, all of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Dated documentation of post incident(s) review meeting notes or follow-up report showing lessons learned associated with the Cyber Security Incident response plan(s) test or actual Reportable Cyber Security Incident response or dated documentation stating there were no lessons learned;</li> <li>2. Dated and revised Cyber Security Incident response plan showing any changes based on the lessons learned; and</li> <li>3. Evidence of plan update distribution including, but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emails;</li> <li>• USPS or other mail service;</li> <li>• Electronic distribution system; or</li> <li>• Training sign-in sheets.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>

**Registered Entity Response (Required):**

**Compliance Narrative:**

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**Compliance Assessment Approach Specific to CIP-008-7, R3, Part 3.1**

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	<p>Verify that no later than 90 calendar days after completion of a Cyber Security Incident response plan(s) test or actual Reportable Cyber Security Incident response, the Responsible Entity has:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Documented any lessons learned or documented the absence of any lessons learned;</li> <li>2. updated the Cyber Security Incident response plan based on any documented lessons learned associated with the plan; and</li> <li>3. notified each person or group with a defined role in the Cyber Security Incident response plan of the updates to the Cyber Security Incident response plan based on any documented lessons learned.</li> </ol>
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**R3 Part 3.2**

CIP-008-7 Table R3 – Cyber Security Incident Response Plan Review, Update, and Communication			
Part	Applicable Systems	Requirements	Measures
3.2	High impact BCS and their associated EACMS  Medium impact BCS and their associated EACMS  SCI supporting an Applicable System in this Part	No later than 60 calendar days after a change to the roles or responsibilities, Cyber Security Incident response groups or individuals, or technology that the Responsible Entity determines would impact the ability to execute the plan: 3.2.1. Update the Cyber Security Incident response plan(s); and  3.2.2. Notify each person or group with a defined role in the Cyber Security Incident response plan of the updates.	Examples of evidence may include, but are not limited to: 1. Dated and revised Cyber Security Incident response plan with changes to the roles or responsibilities, responders or technology; and 2. Evidence of plan update distribution including, but not limited to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emails;</li> <li>• USPS or other mail service;</li> <li>• Electronic distribution system; or</li> <li>• Training sign-in sheets.</li> </ul>

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Verify that no later than 60 calendar days after a change to the roles or responsibilities, Cyber Security Incident response groups or individuals, or technology that the Responsible Entity determines would impact the ability to execute the plan, the Responsible Entity has:

1. Updated the Cyber Security Incident response plan(s); and
2. notified each person or group with a defined role in the Cyber Security Incident response plan of the updates.

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### R4 Supporting Evidence and Documentation

**R4.** Each Responsible Entity shall notify the Electricity Information Sharing and Analysis Center (E-ISAC) and, if subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, the United States Cybersecurity & Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA), or their successors, of a Reportable Cyber Security Incident and a Cyber Security Incident that was an attempt to compromise, as determined by applying the criteria from Requirement R1 Part 1.2.1, a system identified in the Applicable Systems column, unless prohibited by law, in accordance with each of the applicable requirement parts in *CIP-008-7 Table R4 – Notifications and Reporting for Cyber Security Incidents*. [Violation Risk Factor: Lower] [Time Horizon: Operations Assessment].

**M4.** Evidence must include, but is not limited to, documentation that collectively demonstrates notification of each determined Reportable Cyber Security Incident and a Cyber Security Incident that was an attempt to compromise a system identified in the Applicable Systems column according to the applicable requirement parts in *CIP-008-7 Table R4 – Notifications and Reporting for Cyber Security Incidents*.

#### R4 Part 4.1

CIP-008-7 Table R4 – Notifications and Reporting for Cyber Security Incidents			
Part	Applicable Systems	Requirements	Measures
4.1	High impact BCS and their associated EACMS  Medium impact BCS and their associated EACMS  SCI supporting an Applicable System in this Part	Initial notifications and updates shall include the following attributes, at a minimum, to the extent known: 4.1.1. The functional impact; 4.1.2. The attack vector used; and 4.1.3. The level of intrusion that was achieved or attempted.	Examples of evidence may include, but are not limited to, dated documentation of initial notifications and updates to the E-ISAC and CISA, or their successors.

#### **Registered Entity Response (Required):**

##### **Compliance Narrative:**

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	Verify the initial notifications and updates included, to the extent known at the time: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. The functional impact;</li><li>2. The attack vector used; and</li><li>3. The level of intrusion that was achieved or attempted.</li></ol>
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**R4 Part 4.2**

CIP-008-7 Table R4 – Notifications and Reporting for Cyber Security Incidents			
Part	Applicable Systems	Requirements	Measures
4.2	High impact BCS and their associated EACMS  Medium impact BCS and their associated EACMS  SCI supporting an Applicable System in this Part	After the Responsible Entity’s determination made pursuant to documented process(es) in Requirement R1, Part 1.2, provide initial notification within the following timelines: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• One hour after the determination of a Reportable Cyber Security Incident.</li> <li>• By the end of the next calendar day after determination that a Cyber Security Incident was an attempt to compromise a system identified in the Applicable Systems column for this Part.</li> </ul>	Examples of evidence may include, but are not limited to, dated documentation of notices to the E-ISAC and CISA, or their successors.

**Registered Entity Response (Required):**

**Compliance Narrative:**

Provide a brief explanation, in your own words, of how you comply with this Requirement. References to supplied evidence, including links to the appropriate page, are recommended.

**Registered Entity Evidence (Required):**

The following information is requested for each document submitted as evidence. Also, evidence submitted should be highlighted and bookmarked, as appropriate, to identify the exact location where evidence of compliance may be found.

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**Compliance Assessment Approach Specific to CIP-008-7, R4, Part 4.2**

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	For each Reportable Cyber Security Incident as identified pursuant to the process(es) specified in Requirement R1, Part 1.2, verify that the initial notification was submitted to each applicable agency within one hour after the determination of a Reportable Cyber Security Incident.
	For each Cyber Security Incident that attempted to compromise a system identified in the Applicable Systems column for this Part, as identified pursuant to the process specified in Requirement R1, Part 1.2, verify that the initial notification was submitted to each applicable agency by the end of the next calendar day after a determination of a Cyber Security Incident that attempted to compromise a system identified in the Applicable Systems column for this Part.

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**R4 Part 4.3**

CIP-008-7 Table R4 – Notifications and Reporting for Cyber Security Incidents			
Part	Applicable Systems	Requirements	Measures
4.3	High impact BCS and their associated EACMS  Medium impact BCS and their associated EACMS  SCI supporting an Applicable System in this Part	Provide updates, if any, within seven calendar days of determination of new or changed attribute information required in Part 4.1.	Examples of evidence may include, but are not limited to, dated documentation of submissions to the E-ISAC and CISA, or their successors.

**Registered Entity Response (Required):**

**Compliance Narrative:**

Provide a brief explanation, in your own words, of how you comply with this Requirement. References to supplied evidence, including links to the appropriate page, are recommended.

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**Compliance Assessment Approach Specific to CIP-008-7, R4, Part 4.3**

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	For each Reportable Cyber Security Incident and each Cyber Security Incident that attempted to compromise a system identified in the Applicable Systems column for this Part, verify updates, if any, were provided within seven calendar days of determination of new or changed attribute information.
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**Additional Information:**

**Reliability Standard**

The full text of CIP-008-7 may be found on the NERC web site ([www.nerc.com](http://www.nerc.com)) under “Program Areas & Departments”, “Standards”, “Reliability Standards.”

In addition to the Reliability Standard, there is an applicable Implementation Plan available on the NERC web site.

In addition to the Reliability Standard, there is background information available on the NERC web site.

Capitalized terms in the Reliability Standard refer to terms in the NERC Glossary, which may be found on the NERC web site.

**Sampling Methodology**

Sampling is essential for auditing compliance with NERC Reliability Standards because it is not always possible or practical to test 100% of either the equipment, documentation, or both, associated with the full suite of enforceable standards. The Sampling Methodology Guidelines and Criteria (see NERC website), or sample guidelines, provided by the Electric Reliability Organization help to establish a minimum sample set for monitoring and enforcement uses in audits of NERC Reliability Standards.

**Regulatory Language**

See FERC Order 822

**Selected Glossary Terms**

The following Glossary terms are provided for convenience only. Please refer to the NERC web site for the current enforceable terms.

**Cyber Security Incident**

A malicious act or suspicious event that:

- For a high or medium impact BES Cyber System, compromises, or attempts to compromise, (1) an Electronic Security Perimeter, (2) a Physical Security Perimeter, or (3) an Electronic Access Control or Monitoring System; or
- Disrupts, or attempts to disrupt, the operation of a BES Cyber system.

**Reportable Cyber Security Incident**

A Cyber Security Incident that compromised or disrupted:

- A BES Cyber System that performs one or more reliability tasks of a functional entity;
- An Electronic Security Perimeter of a high or medium impact BES Cyber System; or
- An Electronic Access Control or Monitoring System of a high or medium impact BES Cyber System.

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