Standards Announcement
Ballot Pool and Pre-ballot Window
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Project 2009-26: Interpretation of CIP-004-1 for the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC)

An interpretation of standard CIP-004-1 — Cyber Security — Personnel & Training, Requirements R2, R3, and R4, for WECC is posted for a 30-day pre-ballot review. Registered Ballot Body members may join the ballot pool to be eligible to vote on this interpretation **until 8 a.m. EST on January 6, 2010**.

During the pre-ballot window, members of the ballot pool may communicate with one another by using their "ballot pool list server." (Once the balloting begins, ballot pool members are prohibited from using the ballot pool list servers.) The list server for this ballot pool is: bp-2009-26_RFI_WECC_CIP_in.

Next Steps
Voting will begin shortly after the pre-ballot review closes.

Project Background
WECC requested clarification regarding temporary access by vendors. WECC asked for clarification on 1) the definition of "authorized access," 2) whether or not specific requirements in CIP-004-1 apply to supervised vendors, and 3) the appropriate level of supervision.

If approved, this interpretation would apply to CIP-004-1, CIP-004-2, and CIP-004-3.

The request and interpretation are posted on the project page:
http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/Project2009-26_CIP-004-1_RFI_WECC.html

Standards Development Process
The Reliability Standards Development Procedure contains all the procedures governing the standards development process. The success of the NERC standards development process depends on stakeholder participation. We extend our thanks to all those who participate.

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