

Meeting Notes Project 2023-09 Risk Management for Third-Party Cloud Services Drafting Team

May 22, 2025 | 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Eastern

WebEx

Review NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines and Public Announcement

Jason Snider, NERC staff, called attention to the NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines and the public meeting notice.

Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

A team roll call was taken and quorum was determined. The member attendance sheet is attached as Attachment 1.

Opening Remarks

M. Hyatt, chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting, explaining that during the teleconference the group would begin reviewing the language the drafting team members had drafted for the nine high-level requirements.

Review of Draft Language

The drafting team began reviewing the revisions to new terms drafted by D. Dunn and L. Hale. D. Dunn explained that the definition of Cloud Service was updated to state that a cloud service is not on premises, though it was noted that it would be possible for a Cloud Service provider to provide equipment on premises. Additionally, the term “BES Cloud Service” was revised to “CIP Cloud Service,” and a new term, “Third-Party Service” was added.

The group reviewed the proposed R1 requirements. The group discussed strengthening language to ensure it was auditable, avoiding language such as “reasonable assurance.” There was also discussion around ensuring that the requirements were the goals, and the measures were how to confirm the goals were being met. It was noted that R1 currently focused on assessing, but there was no language regarding addressing or mitigating the risks assessed. The group spent time discussing how specific to be with requirements and measures, in order to ensure that risks are addressed while not overloading the standard. Additionally, the drafting team discussed whether requirements should be more like a list of risks, and whether those risks should be tailored to the application of the Cloud Service.

Action Items

1. Drafting team members to draft Requirements based on [Domain assignments](#).
2. Drafting team to review [working draft](#).

Attachment 1

Name	Entity	5/22/25
Christopher Anderley	Great River Energy	Y
Jay Cribb	Southern Company Services	Y
Jeff Sykes	Utility Services of Vermont	Y
Jeremy Lyon	Evergy	Y
John Dirks	Salt River Project	Y
Joseph Mosher	EDF Renewables	Y
Lew Folkerth	RF	Y
Lindsey Hale	Amazon Web Services	Y
Matt Hyatt	Georgia System Operations Corporation	Y
David Dunn	ddEnerCIP	Y
Stephane Pellerin	Hydro-Quebec	N
Thad Ness	Florida Power & Light (NextEra Energy)	N
William Vesely	New York Power Authority	Y