

# Meeting Notes

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

January 23, 2025 | 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Eastern

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### 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 today's call would focus on developing an approach for drafting language.

### Determining next steps

M. Hyatt explained that the group needed to determine how to begin the next step in the process, which would be drafting language. He suggested the drafting team (DT) split into groups that would review assigned standards, focusing on how to achieve the high-level requirements (scope/purpose) of each CIP standard with cloud usage. These subgroups would not draft language yet, but instead focus on identifying issues and listing potential solutions for those issues. Three subgroups were proposed:

- Supply-Chain Controls, 3rd party / Shared Responsibility (CIP-013, new requirements)
- Procedural Controls (CIP-004, -006, -008, -009, -011, -014)
- Technical controls (CIP-005, -007, -010, -015)

The subgroups would meet on their own and provide updates during meetings of the full DT. Concerns were raised that this approach could result in members only focusing on the items they were assigned. It was also suggested that the group needed to spend some time gathering information and reviewing the reference documents listed in the SAR to be better prepared for drafting.

This led the group to determine what steps were needed to take before drafting. These were identified as:

- Review of existing Standards – with a focus on how to integrate cloud into existing requirements

- Develop a list of the potential risks that need to be addressed for cloud usage
- General information gathering / review

The tasks were assigned to DT members, who would have until the February 4 scheduled meeting to complete them.

### **Action items**

- DT to review [reference documents listed in SAR](#) and be prepared to discuss during next teleconference.
- J. Cribb to review Definitions, CIP-002, and present items that will need to be addressed for cloud usage.
- J. Dirks to review [NIST Cloud definitions](#) and present options for discussion with DT.
- D. Dunn to review CIP-004, CIP-005, and present items that will need to be addressed for cloud usage.
- L. Folkerth and L. Hale to compile list of items for group to consider for secure cloud usage, including presentation.

# Attachment 1

| Name                 | Entity  | 1/23/25 |
|----------------------|---|---------|
| Christopher Anderley | Great River Energy                            | Y       |
| Jay Cribb            | Southern Company Services                     | Y       |
| Jeff Sykes           | Utility Services of Vermont                   | Y       |
| Jeremy Lyon          | Evergy  | N       |
| John Dirks           | Salt River Project                            | Y       |
| Joseph Mosher        | EDF Renewables                                | N       |
| Lew Folkerth         | RF  | Y       |
| Lindsey Hale         | Amazon Web Services                           | N       |
| Matt Hyatt           | Georgia System Operations Corporation         | Y       |
| David Dunn           | ddEnerCIP                                     | Y       |
| Stephane Pellerin    | Hydro-Quebec                                  | Y       |
| Thad Ness            | Florida Power & Light (NextEra Energy)        | N       |
| William Vesely       | Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc. | Y       |