

Meeting Notes

Project 2023-09 Risk Management for Third-Party Cloud Services

Standard Drafting Team

September 12, 2024 | 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Eastern

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

J. Cribb, vice chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting. He explained that today's call would focus on continuing the review of the slides developed for the planned webinar.

Presentation review

The group resumed reviewing the slides that provided a recap of the [comments received on the SAR](#). The group determined it was important to relay that they intended to review all CIP standards within the scope of the work, as well as be mindful of how any language developed may affect Operation and Planning standards. There was also extensive discussion on what exactly the term "cloud" should refer to, and if it should be used at all. Whether the term "third-party" should be included with cloud was also debated – while the term does appear in the SAR, some thought the term was limiting. This led to discussion about "on premise" and "off premise"; which demonstrated the need for clear definitions for these terms. The group decided to table the discussion until the SAR development phase and make clear during the presentation that the term "cloud" was being used very broadly in this phase.

The next portion of the presentation focused on the key drivers for the work being done. First discussed was the trend of essential services (such as electronic access control, multi-factor authentication, or security services) moving to the cloud. The next topic was a case study of an entity transitioning from low to medium impact level.

Action items

- The Drafting Team will continue presentation review during the next teleconference.

Attachment 1

Name	Entity	9/12/24
Christopher Anderley	Great River Energy	Y
Jay Cribb	Southern Company Services	Y
Jeff Sykes	Utility Services of Vermont	N
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	N
Sam Spoerle	MISO Energy	N
Stephane Pellerin	Hydro-Quebec	Y
Thad Ness	Florida Power & Light (NextEra Energy)	Y
William Vesely	Consolidated Edison Company of New York, Inc.	Y