

Reminder

Standards Announcement

Project 2020-04 Modifications to CIP-012

Additional Ballots and Non-binding Poll Open through November 2, 2023

[Now Available](#)

Additional ballots for **Project 2020-04 Modifications to CIP-012** and non-binding poll of the associated Violation Risk Factors and Violation Severity Levels are open through **8 p.m. Eastern, Thursday, November 2, 2023** for the following standard and implementation plan:

- CIP-012-2 – Cyber Security – Communications between Control Centers
- Implementation Plan

The standard drafting team's considerations of the responses received from the last comment period are reflected in this draft of the standard.

Reminder Regarding Corporate RBB Memberships

Under the NERC Rules of Procedure, each entity and its affiliates is collectively permitted one voting membership per Registered Ballot Body Segment. Each entity that undergoes a change in corporate structure (such as a merger or acquisition) that results in the entity or affiliated entities having more than the one permitted representative in a particular Segment must withdraw the duplicate membership(s) prior to joining new ballot pools or voting on anything as part of an existing ballot pool. Contact ballotadmin@nerc.net to assist with the removal of any duplicate registrations.

Balloting

Members of the ballot pools associated with this project can log in and submit their votes by accessing the Standards Balloting and Commenting System (SBS) [here](#).

Note: Votes cast in previous ballots, will not carry over to additional ballots. It is the responsibility of the registered voter in the ballot pools to place votes again. To ensure a quorum is reached, if you do not want to vote affirmative or negative, cast an abstention.

- Contact NERC IT support directly at <https://support.nerc.net/> (Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Eastern) for problems regarding accessing the SBS due to a forgotten password, incorrect credential error messages, or system lock-out.
- Passwords expire every **6 months** and must be reset.
- The SBS is **not** supported for use on mobile devices.

- *Please be mindful of ballot and comment period closing dates. We ask to **allow at least 48 hours** for NERC support staff to assist with inquiries. Therefore, it is recommended that users try logging into their SBS accounts **prior to the last day** of a comment/ballot period.*

Next Steps

The ballot results will be announced and posted on the project page. The drafting team will review all responses received during the comment period and determine the next steps of the project.

For information on the Standards Development Process, refer to the [Standard Processes Manual](#).

For more information or assistance, contact Senior Standards Developer, [Ben Wu](#) (via email) or at 470-542-6882. [Subscribe to this project's observer mailing list](#) by selecting "NERC Email Distribution Lists" from the "Service" drop-down menu and specify "Project 2020-04 Modifications to CIP-012 Observer List" in the Description Box.

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