

Standards, Compliance, and Enforcement Bulletin

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ACTIVE STANDARDS POSTINGS

Current and Upcoming Ballots (ballot periods close at 8:00 p.m. Eastern)

| Project | Action | Start Date | End Date |
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| Project 2022-03 – Energy Assurance with Energy-Constrained Resources | Initial Ballots for BAL-008-1 and Additional Ballots for BAL-007-1 | 06/11/24 | 06/20/24 |
| Project 2023-06 – CIP-014 Risk Assessment Refinement Draft 1 | Initial Ballots and Non-binding Poll | 06/24/24 | 07/03/24 |
| Join Ballot Pools | | | |
| Project | Action | Start Date | End Date |
| Project 2022-03 – Energy Assurance with Energy-Constrained Resources | Join Ballot Pools | 05/07/24 | 06/05/24 |
| Project 2023-06 – CIP-014 Risk Assessment Refinement Draft 1 | Join Ballot Pools | 05/20/24 | 06/18/24 |

| Posted for Comment | | | |
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| Project | Action | Start Date | End Date |
| Regional Reliability Standard BAL-004-WECC-4 | Comment Period | 04/10/24 | 05/28/24 |
| Project 2022-03 – Energy Assurance with Energy-Constrained Resources | Comment Period | 05/07/24 | 06/20/24 |
| Project 2022-02 – Uniform Modeling Framework for Inverter-based Resources Standard Authorization Request | Comment Period | 05/17/24 | 06/24/24 |
| NEW Project 2020-06 – Verification of Models and Data for Generators Standard Authorization Request | Comment Period | 05/23/24 | 06/26/24 |
| NEW Project 2021-01 – Modifications to MOD-025 and PRC-019 Standard Authorization Request | Comment Period | 05/23/24 | 06/28/24 |
| Project 2023-09 – Risk Management for Third-party Cloud Services Standard Authorization Request | Comment Period | 05/10/24 | 07/01/24 |
| Project 2023-06 – CIP-014 Risk Assessment Refinement Draft 1 | Comment Period | 05/20/24 | 07/03/24 |

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| <p>Comment Period Open for Draft Reliability Guideline: As the use of distribution-connected power sources increases across the NERC footprint, studying the performance of these distributed energy resources (DER) and their potential impact on BES reliability becomes paramount. To help bulk system planners in this regard, the System Planning Impacts from DER Working Group (SPIDERWG) has developed a reliability guideline. This guideline provides a set of recommended practices to study various aspects of DER in the planning horizon, including information sharing practices in a utility that serves both distribution and transmission functions.</p> <p>Reliability guidelines are not binding norms or parameters nor are they Reliability Standards; however, NERC encourages entities to review, validate, adjust, and/or develop a program with the practices set forth in this guideline.</p> | Comments are to be submitted via email using the comment form . | 04/22/24 | 06/06/24 |

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| <p>Entities should review this guideline in detail and in conjunction with evaluations of their internal processes and procedures; these reviews could highlight that appropriate changes are needed, and these changes should be done with consideration of system design, configuration, and business practices. The RSTC approved posting for a 45-day industry comment period. A draft version of the guideline has been posted on the Reliability Guidelines, Security Guidelines, Technical Reference Documents, and White Papers page.</p> | | | |
| <p>Comment Period Open for Proposed NERC Rules of Procedure Revisions: NERC is proposing revisions to Appendix 4E (Compliance and Certification Committee (CCC) Hearing Procedures, Hearing Procedures for Use in Appeals of Certification Matters, and Mediation Procedures) of its Rules of Procedure. The proposed revisions, developed in coordination with the CCC, are clarifying and mostly non-substantive but help to ensure the hearing and mediation procedures used by the CCC in Appendix 4E are consistent and up-to-date with other Rules of Procedure provisions regarding the Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Program. A redlined version of NERC Rules of Procedure, Appendix 4E showing the proposed revisions is now available. NERC intends to submit these changes to the NERC Board of Trustees for consideration at its August 2024 meeting. For more information or assistance, please contact Marisa Hecht.</p> | <p>Submit comments electronically to ROPcomments@nerc.net.</p> | <p>04/30/24</p> | <p>06/14/24</p> |

STANDARDS NEWS

NEW Additional Ballot and Non-binding Poll Results for Project 2021-03 – CIP-002

The formal comment period, additional ballots, and non-binding poll for CIP-002-Y — Cyber Security — BES Cyber System Categorization concluded May 16, 2024. The voting statistics are listed below, and the details can be accessed on the [Ballot Results](#) page. The drafting team will review all responses received during the comment period and determine the next steps of the project.

Quick Links

- [Register in the SBS](#)
- [Standards Project Prioritization \(November 2023\)](#)
- [Projected Standards Posting Schedule](#)
- [Project Tracking Spreadsheet](#)
- [2023-2025 Reliability Standards Development Plan \(Filed With FERC\)](#)
- [Quality Review Application](#)
- [One-Stop Shop \(Status, Purpose, Implementation Plans, FERC Orders, RSAWs\)](#)
- [Submit Questions or Feedback](#)

| | Ballot | Non-binding Poll |
|---------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Standard | Quorum / Approval | Quorum / Supportive Opinions |
| CIP-002-Y | 88.55% / 47.72% | 87.05% / 53.44% |
| Implementation Plan | 88.28% / 58.73% | N/A |

NEW Nomination Period Open for Project 2020-06 Supplemental Drafting Team Members

NERC is seeking nominations for supplemental drafting team members through **June 26, 2024**. Time commitments for most projects include up to two face-to-face meetings per quarter (on average two full working days each meeting) with conference calls scheduled as needed. Team members may agree to individual or subgroup assignments, to work in separate meetings and present to the larger team for discussion and review. Another important component of quality reviews and drafting team efforts is outreach. Members of the team will be expected to conduct industry outreach during the development process to support a successful project outcome. **This project has been identified as higher priority at this time.** The project has a FERC deadline of November 4, 2025. To meet this deadline, the team will meet regularly, up to three times a week on conference calls, with face-to-face meetings scheduled as the members’ schedule allows, up to once a quarter. Use the [electronic form](#) to submit a nomination. Contact [Wendy Muller](#) regarding issues using the electronic form. An unofficial Word version of the nomination form is

posted on the [Standard Drafting Team Vacancies](#) page and the [project page](#). The Standards Committee is expected to appoint members to the drafting team in August 2024. Nominees will be notified shortly after they have been appointed.

GENERAL COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT NEWS

There is no additional Compliance and Enforcement news to report for this week.

Quick Links

- [Compliance Monitoring & Enforcement Program One-Stop Shop](#)
- [ERO Enterprise Program Alignment Process](#)
- [Consistency Reporting Tool \(EthicsPoint\)](#)
- [Risk-Based Registration Initiative](#)
- [Reliability Standard Audit Worksheets](#)
- [Enforcement & Mitigation: Enforcement Actions](#)
- [Align and ERO SEL](#)

OTHER NEWS

NEW Lessons Learned Posted

One new lesson learned—[Incorrect IBR Primary Frequency Response Logic Caused Negative ACE](#)—has been posted on the NERC website on the [Lessons Learned](#) page.

NEW Webinar Resources Posted

The [presentation](#) and [streaming webinar](#) from the May 13, 2024 6 GHZ Communication Interference Preparation webinar have been posted on the NERC website.

STANDARDS SUBJECT TO FUTURE ENFORCEMENT

Please refer to the [U.S. Effective Dates page](#) for the most up-to-date information on effective dates and for more detail on the below.

U.S. Effective Dates for Reliability Standards

| U.S. Effective Date | Standard(s) |
|---------------------|--|
| October 1, 2024 | EOP-012-1 – Extreme Cold Weather Preparedness and Operations Note: In accordance with FERC’s February 2023 approval order, NERC submitted a revised implementation plan for the EOP-012 standard on February 16, 2024, and it is pending FERC approval. |
| July 1, 2025 | IRO-010-5 – Reliability Coordinator Data and information Specification and Collection Implementation Plan TOP-003-6.1 – Transmission Operator and Balancing Authority Data and Information Specification and Collection Implementation Plan |
| October 1, 2025 | TOP-002-5 – Operations Planning Implementation Plan |
| April 1, 2026 | CIP-003-9 - Cyber Security – Security Management Controls |

BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND FERC ACTION

NEW Statement on FERC May Open Meeting

At its monthly open meeting, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) issued an [order](#) approving Reliability Standard CIP-012-2 – Communications between Control Centers. NERC filed a petition for approval of CIP-012-2, which requires utilities to protect the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of real-time assessment and real-time monitoring data transmitted between control centers with FERC on January 31. In addition, FERC [approved a compliance filing](#) on NERC’s plan for collecting and reporting cold weather data. This filing satisfies FERC’s February 16, 2023, order approving EOP-011-3 and EOP-012-1.

During the meeting Mark Olson, NERC’s manager of Reliability Assessments, presented findings from NERC’s [2024 Summer Reliability Assessment](#).

NERC appreciates FERC’s focus on reliability matters and will continue to work toward assuring the reliability and security of the North American bulk power system. [Learn more about the 2024 Summer Reliability Assessment](#) | [May 2024 FERC Open Meeting Recording](#)

NEW NERC Filings

On May 21, 2024, NERC filed the [First Quarter 2024 Application for Approval of Reliability Standards](#) with the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board. You can find the NERC Canadian Filings (Nova Scotia) [here](#).

UPCOMING EVENTS

For a full accounting of upcoming events, please refer to the [NERC Calendar](#).

Workshops and Conferences

| Event | Time | Date | Location | Registration |
|---|---------|---------------|-----------------|--|
| 2024 NERC-NATF-EPRI Extreme Weather Transmission Planning and Modeling Workshop | All day | May 29–30 | Dallas, TX | Details Agenda |
| GridSecCon 2024 | All day | October 22–25 | Minneapolis, MN | Save the Date |

Webinars

| Event | Time | Date | Registration |
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Standing Committee Meetings and Conference Calls

| Event | Time | Date | Registration |
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| Finance and Audit Committee Informational Webinar | 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Eastern | June 10 | Save the Date |
| Joint Reliability and Security Technical Committee/Standards Committee Meeting | See Details | June 11–12 | Seattle, WA Virtual Details |

Standard Drafting Team Meetings

Please refer to the [Standards](#) calendar for the most up-to-date listing of upcoming meetings.

| Project | Time | Date | Registration |
|--|------------------------------|-----------|-------------------------|
| Project 2021-03 – CIP-002 | See Details | May 28–30 | Details |
| NEW Project 2021-04 – Modifications to PRC-002 - Phase II | 1:00–2:30 p.m. Eastern | May 28 | Details |
| Project 2023-04 – Modifications to CIP-003 | 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern | May 28 | Details |
| Project 2021-02 – Modifications to VAR-002-4.1 | 10:30 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Eastern | May 30 | Details |
| Project 2022-05 – Modifications to CIP-008 Reporting Threshold | 2:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern | June 3 | Details |
| Project 2023-07 – Transmission Planning Performance Requirements for Extreme Weather | 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern | June 10 | Details |
| Project 2023-07 – Transmission Planning Performance Requirements for Extreme Weather | 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern | June 13 | Details |

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| Project 2023-07 – Transmission Planning Performance Requirements for Extreme Weather | 12:00–1:00 p.m. Eastern | June 14 | Details |
| NEW Project 2022-05 – Modifications to CIP-008 Reporting Threshold | 2:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern | June 17 | Details |

| ERO Enterprise Events | | | | |
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| Region | Event | Time | Date | Registration |
| Texas RE | Reliability 101 and 201 Webinar Series | See Details | June 3–24 | Details |

ABOUT THE STANDARDS, COMPLIANCE, AND ENFORCEMENT BULLETIN

This weekly bulletin compiles a list of standards, compliance, and enforcement projects with actionable deadlines, as well as upcoming events, recently posted resources, other NERC documents posted for comment, and other relevant news and information. Please email [Amy Klagholz](#) with feedback on this bulletin. The current bulletin and old bulletins are available under “Program News” on both the [Standards home page](#) and the [Compliance & Enforcement home page](#).

REGISTRATION: If you would like to receive this bulletin or be added to a NERC distribution list, you **must** first register an account in the [ERO Portal](#). Once you have registered your ERO Portal account, authenticated your credentials with DUO, and completed your profile, please submit a ticket through the [Help Desk](#) by selecting the “NERC Email Distribution List” option under the Applications menu. In the Description Box, please specify which lists you would like your email address to be added to. If you are unsure of which distribution list you would like to be added to, an excellent starting point is the “[Committee](#)” page. You can note the committee abbreviation, which represents the distribution list you would like to join, in the Description Box. If you have other NERC-related or specific Standards projects you’re interested in, you may request those as well. If you’re interested in general information, please request to be added to the NERC-info distribution list, which covers most NERC announcements. This bulletin is distributed to several lists, including the Standards distribution list (Standards-specific announcements) and the NERC-info distribution list.