

Project 2014-02 Standard Drafting Team Conference Calls Notes

March 3, 2014 to March 7, 2014

Full Standard Drafting Team Call – March 3, 2014

Quorum was reached as 8 of the 10 Standard Drafting Team (SDT) members joined the call.

Identify, Assess, and Correct (IAC) Discussion

The IAC leads reviewed the action items from the February in-person meeting. They noted that NERC staff will present on the Reliability Assurance Initiative (RAI) at the upcoming Sacramento SDT meeting in March.

The subgroup removed the IAC language from CIP-003-5 as an example and looked into whether modifications could be made based on other standards' families using similar language to IAC, using CIP-011-1 as an example. It was mentioned modifying the standard would be similar to what had been done with the IAC language and may add confusion.

Communication Networks (CN) Discussion

The CN leads presented their proposed revisions to CIP-006 and CIP-007 to address the directive. The proposal addressed protections for nonprogrammable components and the SDT agreed to leave the data in motion discussion to the FERC-led Technical Conference. The SDT discussed whether physical and logical protections of the nonprogrammable components should be covered. The SDT discussed the applicability to ensure the necessary assets are covered.

Transient Devices (TD) Discussion

The TD leads presented a transient cyber asset definition for the SDT to consider. The definition included devices used for "assessment" in addition to data transfer, maintenance, or troubleshooting purposes. The subgroup's proposed requirement would be program- and policy-oriented. The requirement included the six elements mentioned by FERC in Order No. 791 as well as another element, "removing transient devices and protection of **BES Cyber System Information**."

The SDT commented that the subgroup should consider transient devices used for multiple purposes. The SDT also noted that the subgroup should clarify whether the seven elements are aimed at protecting transient devices or the Bulk Electric System.

Low Impact Assets (LIA) Discussion

The LIA leads presented a decision framework to weigh the SDT's options to address the directive. The proposal included a risk assessment of several options. The SDT found the decision framework approach useful, and the leads said they would present it for further discussion during the subgroup calls.

Identify, Assess, Correct (IAC) Subgroup Call – March 4, 2014

The IAC leads discussed the proposal to modify the IAC language. Call participants thought that the subgroup should focus on removal of IAC language only to support entities' option of either internal controls or zero tolerance compliance. There was discussion that adding language similar to that added to COM-002-4 would add obligations to the performance expectations of the requirements. The subgroup took the following action items based on the discussion.

Action Items

- Remove IAC language in 17 requirements to have language to review
 - Analysis of what it does to each requirement
 - Look at parts
 - Paragraph 81 considerations

Communication Networks (CN) Subgroup Call – March 4, 2014

The CN leads presented their revisions to CIP-006 and CIP-007. Call participants commented on the language, noting that the main focus should be to restrict access to the BES and to look at protection of nonprogrammable components. There was discussion of the scope of protection and whether the protections should cover components within or outside the ESP. It was decided that a diagram or visual representation would best lay out the requirements language.

Action items

- Address CIP-006-5 considerations
 - Develop visual representations (e.g. diagrams) of requirements language
- Address CIP-007-5 considerations
- Develop Guidance/Rationale
 - Need members and observers to help develop these

Low Impact Assets (LIA) Subgroup Call – March 6, 2014

The LIA leads reviewed the language of FERC Order 791 pertaining to Low Impact assets. The LIA leads also presented some options for where the placement of the language could fall and balanced the benefits and risks associated with the options. Meeting participants began discussing objectives that should be achieved for each of the technical areas included in CIP-003-5, Requirement R2.

Action items

- Develop language to share at full team call
- Revise/add to Risk Framework
 - Add clarifying language to risk
- Bring in auditor perspective to next subgroup call

Transient Devices (TD) Subgroup Call – March 6, 2014

The TD leads presented a transient cyber asset definition for discussion. Call participants discussed how best to address transient devices that are entity-managed versus non-entity-managed. The leads noted they would address the preauthorized versus authorized-at-use concept regarding these two categories of devices.

Action items

- Develop language to share at full team call
- NERC to put into template for table format
- Digest what is in NIST 800-53 for maintenance (MA) and media protection (MP) controls and see how it will apply to this (Information System Connections - CA-3, Authenticator Management - IA-5)
- Preauthorized v. authorized at use (control inventory and control usage concept)