

Standards Announcement

Project 2016-02 Modifications to CIP Standards

Formal Comment Period Open through **October 9, 2018**

Ballot Pools Forming through **September 21, 2018**

[Now Available](#)

A 45-day formal comment period for **C CIP-002-6 - Cyber Security – BES Cyber System Categorization** and **CIP-003-8 - Cyber Security – Security Management Controls** is open through **8 p.m. Eastern, Tuesday, October 9, 2018**.

Commenting

Use the [Standards Balloting and Commenting System \(SBS\)](#) to submit comments. If you experience difficulty using the SBS, contact [Wendy Muller](#). An unofficial Word version of the comment form is posted on the [project page](#).

Ballot Pools

Ballot pools are being formed through **8 p.m. Eastern, Friday, September 21, 2018**. Registered Ballot Body members can join the ballot pools [here](#).

- *If you are having difficulty accessing the SBS due to a forgotten password, incorrect credential error messages, or system lock-out, contact NERC IT support directly at <https://support.nerc.net/> (Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Eastern).*
- *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

Initial ballots for the standard and non-binding polls of the associated Violation Risk Factors and Violation Severity Levels will be conducted **September 28 – October 9, 2018**.

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

For more information or assistance, contact Standards Developer, [Jordan Mallory](#) (via email) or at (404) 446-2589.

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