

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
Project 2018-03 – Standards Efficiency Review Retirements	Initial Ballots and Non-binding Polls	04/03/19	04/12/19

Join Ballot Pools (ballot pool windows close at 8:00 p.m. Eastern)

Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
Project 2018-03 – Standards Efficiency Review Retirements	Join Ballot Pools	02/27/19	03/28/19

Posted for Comment

Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
Project 2019-01 – Modifications to TPL-007-3 SAR	Comment Period	02/25/19	03/26/19
Project 2018-03 – Standards Efficiency Review Retirements	Comment Period	02/27/19	04/12/19

OTHER ACTIVE COMMENT PERIODS

Posted for Comment			
Posting	Action	Start Date	End Date
<p>Comment Period Open for WECC Regional Variance for IRO-002-5 - Reliability Coordination – Monitoring and Analysis: The Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) requested that NERC post the WECC Regional Variance for IRO-002-5 – Reliability Coordination – Monitoring and Analysis for industry review and comment in accordance with the NERC Rules of Procedure. As the Western Interconnection moves to a multi-Reliability Coordinator (RC) environment, focused coordination of those RCs will become critical. WECC developed a proposed Regional Variance to NERC Reliability Standard IRO-002-5 – Reliability Coordination – Monitoring and Analysis to ensure coordination between each of those RCs.</p> <p>The proposed Variance does not change any of the continent-wide Requirements. The WECC Board of Directors adopted the proposed Variance on March 6, 2019. Prior to NERC Board adoption, the proposed Variance will be inserted into proposed Reliability Standard IRO-002-6, which is currently being balloted as part of the ongoing Project 2018-03 – Standards Efficiency Retirements project.</p> <p>The standard was posted twice for comment by WECC, most recently from November 28, 2018–January 2, 2019, and the comments received can be viewed here. Documents and</p>	<p>Use the electronic form to submit comments. If you experience any difficulties in using the electronic form, contact Nasheema Santos.</p>	03/07/19	04/22/19

information about this project are available on the [WECC's Standards Under Development](#) page.

STANDARDS NEWS

Submission Process Change for Standards Inquiries

Going forward, all Standards-related inquiries, including submissions of Standard Authorization Requests (SAR) and Requests for Interpretations (RFI), should be submitted via the [NERC Help Desk](#). In order to submit your inquiry or request you must:

- 1) Go to the [NERC Help Desk](#) site.
- 2) Enter your contact information.
- 3) Select "Standards" from the Applications menu.
- 4) Select the appropriate option from the Standards Subcategories menu. **If**

you are submitting a SAR or RFI, you must select the option here for proper routing. If you are uncertain, select "Other."

Quick Links

- [Register in the SBS](#)
- [Projected Standards Posting Schedule](#)
- [Project Tracking Spreadsheet](#)
- [Standards Related Questions – Single Portal](#)
- [2017–2019 Reliability Standards Development Plan](#)
- [Quality Review Application](#)
- [One-Stop Shop \(Status, Purpose, Implementation Plans, FERC Orders, RSAWs\)](#)

 **SUBMIT**

Submit a new Ticket

Title*

Priority* Application* Standards Subcategories*

File Attachment *(If you need to send multiple files, please create a single zip file)*

Your Personal Information

Last Name* First Name* Email Address*

→ Select

- Standards Authorization Request
- Standards Effective Dates
- Standards Other
- Standards Project-related Distribution
- Standards Request for Interpretations

- 5) Attach your SAR or RFI form (if applicable).
- 6) Enter a description.
- 7) Submit.

Upon submission, you will receive an email confirmation with an assigned ticket number from the Help Desk. The ticket number can be used to inquire on status of inquiry/submission.

Additionally, NERC has created [Standard Authorization Requests](#) and [Requests for Interpretations](#) pages on the Standards site. Requests that have not been accepted by the Standards Committee will be posted on this site. Any SAR or RFI that has been accepted by the Standards Committee can be found on the appropriate page. For a full list of active projects, refer to the [Reliability Standards Under Development](#) page.

If you have any questions in regards to these new items, contact Senior Reliability Standards Analyst, [Nasheema Santos](#).

GENERAL COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT NEWS

Register for Supply Chain Small Group Advisory Sessions

NERC will host small group advisory meetings with registered entities, Standards Developers, and Regional Entities to assess the implementation of the CIP Supply Chain Standards:

- CIP-013-1 – Cyber Security – Supply Chain Risk Management
- CIP-005-6 – Cyber Security – Electronic Security Perimeter(s)
- CIP-010-3 – Cyber Security – Configuration Change Management and Vulnerability Assessments

The event will consist of two parts:

- **General Session and Live Webinar:** On October 30, 2019 from 1:00–4:00 p.m. a general interest session, including industry speakers and NERC staff, will be held to discuss supply chain risk and possible solutions.

Quick Links

- [Risk-Based CMEP](#)
- [CIP V5 Transition Program](#)
- [ERO Enterprise Program Alignment Process](#)
- [Consistency Reporting Tool \(EthicsPoint\)](#)
- [Risk-Based Registration Initiative](#)
- [Reliability Standard Audit Worksheets](#)
- [Enforcement & Mitigation: Enforcement Actions](#)
- [Align Project \(formerly CMEP Technology Project\)](#)

- **One-on-One Sessions:** Closed, one-on-one discussions between a registered entity's supply chain security experts and ERO Enterprise staff about issues pertinent to that entity's implementation of the supply chain standards.

Registration

- **Workshop/Webinar:** In-person attendance to the October 30, 2019 workshop is limited to no more than two attendees per registered entity. Entities that schedule a SGAS appointment will be given priority for in-person attendance.
 - Send workshop registration requests to CIPComplianceStaff@nerc.net with name, contact information, and registered entity that is being represented.
 - If a SGAS appointment is being requested, simply mention workshop attendance in that registration request.
 - The workshop session will be broadcast via webinar. Registration is open to interested participants; more information will be available approximately 15 days before the date of the event.
- **Small Group Advisory Sessions (SGAS):** NERC will accept SGAS one-on-one registrations on a first-come, first-served basis; so if the number of requests exceeds the time allotted, NERC will coordinate alternative arrangements.
 - There is no limit to the number of Subject Matter Experts (SMEs) who can participate in SGAS sessions. For those who cannot attend in person, NERC will arrange for phone/web participation.
 - NERC will notify those who request a SGAS of their appointment time so the registered entity can make their travel arrangements accordingly. NERC will schedule the specific time after registration is received. The only commitment on the day of the appointment is at the time of the scheduled discussion.
 - Send SGAS registration requests to CIPComplianceStaff@nerc.net. Registration is free and is required by **September 30, 2019** with the following information:
 - Requester name and contact information
 - Entity Name(s)
 - NCR(s)
 - If the requester intends to represent multiple entities, contact information for someone at each entity represented
 - Preferred day(s) (Tuesday, Wednesday morning, or Thursday) and time(s) for appointment.

For more information or assistance, please contact [Brian Allen](#).

OTHER NEWS

NEW Fifth Reliability Leadership Summit Highlights Key Risks, Solutions for Bulk Power System’s Future

The North American Electric Reliability Corporation convened its fifth Reliability Leadership Summit with more than 100 leaders from industry and government coming together to identify and prioritize evolving and emerging risks as well as develop approaches to managing them as the bulk power system undergoes transformational change. Consumer, technology, market and policy factors are creating a new grid reliability and security paradigm.

The summit opened with remarks from Mark Lauby, senior vice president and chief reliability officer at NERC, and Nelson Peeler, chief transmission officer at Duke Energy and the chair of NERC’s Reliability Issues Steering Committee (RISC). The morning keynote speaker was Bruce Walker, assistant secretary at the Department of Energy’s Office of Electricity. An afternoon keynote will be presented by Mark P. Mills, senior fellow at the Manhattan Institute. View the full announcement [here](#).

STANDARDS SUBJECT TO FUTURE ENFORCEMENT

Please refer to the [U.S. Effective Dates page](#) for more detail on the standards listed below.

U.S. Effective Dates for Reliability Standards	
U.S. Effective Date	Standard(s)
April 1, 2019	BAL-002-3 – Disturbance Control Standard – Contingency Reserve for Recovery from a Balancing Contingency Event
	EOP-004-4 – Event Reporting
	EOP-005-3 – System Restoration from Blackstart Resources
	EOP-006-3 – System Restoration Coordination
	EOP-008-2 – Loss of Control Center Functionality
July 1, 2019	PER-003-2 – Operating Personnel Credentials
	TPL-007-3 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements R1 and R2)
January 1, 2020	CIP-003-7 – Cyber Security – Security Management Controls
	PRC-026-1 – Relay Performance During Stable Power Swings (Requirements R2–R4)

	TPL-007-3 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements R5, 5.1, 5.2, R9, 9.1, and 9.2)
July 1, 2020	CIP-005-6 – Cyber Security – Electronic Security Perimeter(s) CIP-010-3 – Cyber Security – Configuration Change Management and Vulnerability Assessments CIP-013-1 – Cyber Security – Supply Chain Risk Management
	PRC-002-2 – Disturbance Monitoring and Reporting Requirements (50% compliance for Requirements R2–R4, R6–R11)
October 1, 2020	PER-006-1 – Specific Training for Personnel
	PRC-027-1 – Coordination of Protection Systems for Performance During Faults
January 1, 2021	PRC-012-2 – Remedial Action Schemes
July 1, 2021	TPL-007-3 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements R11 and R12)
January 1, 2022	TPL-007-3 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements R6, 6.1–6.4, R10, 10.1–10.4)
July 1, 2022	PRC-002-2 – Disturbance Monitoring and Reporting Requirements (100% compliance for Requirements R2–R4, R6–R11)
January 1, 2023	TPL-007-3 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements R3, R4, 4.1.4.1.1–4.1.2, 4.2, 4.3, 4.3.1, R8, 8.1, 8.1.1–8.1.2, 8.3, 8.4, and 8.4.1)
January 1, 2024	TPL-007-3 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements R7, 7.1, 7.2, 7.3, 7.3.1–7.3.2, 7.4, 7.4.1–7.4.3, 7.5, and 7.5.1.)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND FERC ACTION

There is no additional Board or FERC action to report for this week.

UPCOMING EVENTS

For information about other NERC events, such as meetings and conference calls for standard drafting teams, other standing committees, subcommittees, task forces, and working groups, please refer to the [NERC calendar](#).

Workshops and Conferences

- Eighth Annual Human Performance Conference – March 26–28, 2019, Atlanta | [Register for Conference and Workshops](#) | [Register for Hotel](#) | [Promo Video](#)

- Project 2017-01 – Modifications to BAL-003-1.1 Technical Conference – 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Eastern, March 26, 2019, Atlanta | [Register](#)
- Transmission Resiliency Summit – April 3–4, 2019, Charlotte, NC | [Register](#)

Webinars

- Situation Awareness for FERC, NERC, and the Regional Entities (SAFNR) Re-platforming Project Overview Webinar – 3:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern, March 21, 2019 | [Register](#)
- Project 2018-03 Standards Efficiency Review Retirements Webinar – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, March 21, 2019 | [Register](#)

Standing Committee Meetings and Conference Calls

- Standards Committee Meeting – 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. Central, March 20, 2019, Austin, TX | [Register](#) | [NEW Agenda Package](#)
- **NEW** Member Representatives Committee Pre-Meeting Conference Call and Informational Webinar – 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Eastern, April 9, 2019 | [Register](#)
- Board of Trustees, Board Committees, and Member Representatives Committee Meetings – May 8–9, 2019, St. Louis, MO | [Register](#)

Standard Drafting Team Meetings and Conference Calls

The [Standards calendar](#) provides dial-in information for the in-person meetings below. The calendar also provides information about conference calls that drafting teams may hold in addition to in-person meetings.

- Project 2018-04 – Modifications to PRC-024-2 Drafting Team Meeting – March 18–20, 2019, Washington, D.C. | [Register](#)
- Project 2018-04 – Modifications to PRC-024-2 Drafting Team Conference Call – 10:00 a.m.–Noon Eastern, March 18, 2019 | [Register](#)
- Project 2016-02 – Modifications to CIP Standards Drafting Team Meeting – March 26–28, 2019, San Antonio, TX | [Register](#)
- Project 2017-01 – Modifications to BAL-003-1.1 Meeting – March 27–28, 2019, Atlanta | [Register](#)
- Project 2018-04 – Modifications to PRC-024-2 Drafting Team Conference Call – Noon–2:00 p.m. Eastern, March 29, 2019 | [Register](#)

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 Desselle](#)

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](#).

If you would like to receive this bulletin or be added to the distribution list for a particular project, please submit a ticket through the [Help Desk](#). Select 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 or note which announcements you would like to receive. This bulletin is distributed to several lists, including the Standards distro list (Standards-specific announcements) and the NERC-info distro list (most NERC announcements).