

# 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 2019-02 – BES Cyber System Information Access  Management	Initial Ballot and Non-Binding Poll	01/24/20	02/03/20	
Join Ballot Pools				
	Action	Start Date	End Date	
Posted for Comment				
Project	Action	Start Date	End Date	



<u>Project 2019-02 – BES Cyber System Information Access</u>	Comment Period	12/20/19	02/03/20
Management			

# OTHER ACTIVE COMMENT PERIODS

Posted for	Comment		
Posting	Action	Start Date	End Date
Comment Period Open for Draft Reliability Guideline: The NERC System Planning Impacts from Distributed Energy Resources Working Group (SPIDERWG) developed the draft Reliability Guideline: Bulk Power System Reliability Perspectives on the Adoption of IEEE 1547-2018. The Reliability Guideline provides high-level guidance and BPS reliability perspectives that should be considered during the adoption and implementation of IEEE 1547-2018. Specifically, the guideline focuses on issues pertaining to DER that have been identified by SPIDERWG as potentially having an impact to the BPS. The guidance is intended for state regulatory staffs, Distribution Providers (DPs), Balancing Authorities (BAs), Reliability Coordinators (RCs), and other entities navigating adoption of IEEE 1547-2018 and its requirements. The Planning Committee reviewed the initial draft of the guideline and approved posting for industry comment.	Submit comments via email using the comment form.	12/20/19	02/12/20



#### **STANDARDS NEWS**

With the implementation of the <u>Align Project</u> in 2020, there will be changes to the <u>Reliability Standards web page</u> and associated reports, including the One-Stop Shop, U.S. Effective Date Status/Functional Applicability spreadsheet, and VRF and VSL matrices. More details will be provided in the coming months.

# **NEW Nomination Period Open for Standards Committee Segments 4, 7, and 9 Special Election**

Standards Committee (SC) Chair, Amy Casuscelli, notified NERC that the following Segments have vacancies:

#### **Quick Links**

Register in the SBS

**Projected Standards Posting Schedule** 

**Project Tracking Spreadsheet** 

2019–2021 Reliability Standards Development Plan

**Quality Review Application** 

One-Stop Shop (Status, Purpose, Implementation Plans,

FERC Orders, RSAWs)

**CIP Standards Efficiency Review** 

- Segment 4, Transmission Dependent Utilities (TDUs), currently has a vacancy for the 2020–2021 term.
- Segment 7, Large Electricity End Users, currently has a vacancy for the 2020–2021 term.
- Segment 9, Federal, State, and Provincial Regulatory or other Government Entities, currently has a vacancy for the remainder of the 2019–2020 term and 2020–2021 term.

Registered Ballot Body (RBB) members and others interested in NERC Reliability Standards are encouraged to submit nominations for industry segment representatives on the SC. Reliability Standards are mandatory for all bulk power system owners, operators, and users in North America, and the SC's oversight role is therefore increasingly important. The SC consists of two members from each of the ten Industry Segments that make up the RBB. In addition, Appendix 3B of the Rules of Procedure contains special provisions to be used to achieve a balance of representation between the United States and Canada. The SC is elected by industry stakeholders and reports directly to the NERC Board of Trustees. The SC meets up to twelve times each year, with four face-to-face meetings and the remainder by conference call. The <u>Standards Committee Charter</u> provides a description of the SC's responsibilities.

Nominations are being accepted through **February 13, 2020** in preparation for a special election for Segments 4, 7, and 9. Anyone may submit a nomination. To be eligible for nomination, a nominee shall be an employee or agent of an entity belonging in the applicable Segment. To allow verification of affiliation, a nominee must be a registered user in the NERC <u>RBB</u>. It is not required that the nominee be the same person as the entity's RBB representative for the applicable Segment. Instructions are provided in the <u>Election of Members of the NERC Standards Committee</u> <u>Procedure</u> and nomination forms are posted on the <u>Standards Committee Election web page</u>. To submit a nomination, complete the nomination



form and submit to <u>Linda Jenkins</u> no later than **February 13, 2020.** Once received, nominations will be posted on the SC's Nominations and Election web page. The special election will be conducted **February 24, 2020–March 4, 2020.** Election results will be announced shortly after the election closes.

#### **GENERAL COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT NEWS**

Nomination Period Open for Compliance and Certification Committee
The Compliance and Certification Committee (CCC) is requesting nominations to
fill the vacant positions listed below. Nominations are being accepted through
February 12, 2020. The CCC engages with support and advises the NERC Board and
NERC Staff regarding all facets of the NERC Compliance Monitoring and
Enforcement Program, Organization Registration Program, and Organization
Certification Program.

The following voting positions are currently open for nominations to the CCC:

- 2 Large End-Use Electricity
- 1 Small End-Use Electricity
- 1 U.S. State
- 1 U.S. Federal
- 1 Canadian Federal
- 1 Canadian Provincial
- 1 Merchant Electricity Generator

#### **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)

The CCC has an open nomination process. Individuals or recognized industry groups may nominate candidates for consideration. A nominee that represents a <u>NERC member</u> may only be nominated for a sector that matches the NERC member's sector under the NERC membership list. Terms will be for three years and effective after NERC Board approval. Please review the <u>CCC Charter</u> for information regarding the responsibilities of CCC members. New members are encouraged to attend any scheduled CCC meetings after selection by the CCC Nominating Subcommittee. The



next regularly scheduled CCC meeting is March 10–11, 2020 in Austin, TX. If you are interested in serving as or nominating a member to the NERC Compliance and Certification Committee, please complete the <u>nomination form</u> and send it to <u>CCCElections@nerc.net</u> by **February 12, 2020.** 

#### **OTHER NEWS**

#### **NEW Save the Date for Electric Power Human Performance Improvement Symposium**

The inaugural <u>Electric Power Human Performance Improvement Symposium</u>, a collaboration between the ERO Enterprise and the North American Transmission Forum (NATF), will take place on September 29–October 1, 2020, in Denver, Colorado. Industry representatives and subject matter experts from across the country will gather to share ideas and transfer knowledge about human performance principles and their application in electric power organizations. Please mark your calendars, and join us in Denver this fall as we work to improve the reliability and security of the grid through human performance. Together, we are stronger!

#### 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, 2020	CIP-003-8 – Cyber Security – Security Management Controls	
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	CIP-008-6 – Cyber Security — Incident Reporting and Response Planning  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,
	<u>10.1–10.4)</u>
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**

#### **NEW FERC Open Meeting Action**

At its monthly open meeting, FERC took action on four items key to reliability. FERC endorsed the work of the ERO Enterprise, highlighting NERC's development and enforcement of critical Reliability Standards and acknowledging the significant achievements—such as the implementation of a risk-based approach to reliability—made by the ERO Enterprise over the past five years. See the full announcement here.

### NEW NERC Board of Trustees Meeting Agenda Packages, Policy Input Letter, and Schedule of Events Posted

Agenda packages for the <u>Board of Trustees</u>, <u>Member Representatives Committee</u>, <u>Compliance Committee</u>, <u>Corporate Governance and Human Resources Committee</u>, and <u>Technology and Security Committee</u> meetings on February 5–6, 2020 in Manhattan Beach, CA are available. The agenda package for the Finance and Audit Committee meeting will be posted by January 30, 2020. The <u>schedule of events</u> and the <u>policy input letter</u> are also available.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

For information about other NERC events, such as meetings and conference calls for other standing committees, subcommittees, task forces, and working groups, please refer to the <u>NERC calendar</u>.

## **Workshops and Conferences**

- REGIONAL WORKSHOP ReliabilityFirst Internal Control Workshop February 12, 2020, Cleveland, OH | Register
- SAVE THE DATE Electric Power Human Performance Improvement Symposium September 29–October 1, 2020, Denver, CO



#### Webinars

- Align Webinar\* 1:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern, January 27, 2020 | Register
   \*This webinar is pre-recorded, and the link to the recording will be posted to NERC.com following the event.
- Project 2019-03 Cyber Security Supply Chain Risks 1:00–2:30 p.m. Eastern, February 4, 2020 | Register

#### **Standing Committee Meetings and Conference Calls**

• Board of Trustees Committees, Member Representatives Committee, and Board of Trustees Meetings – February 5–6, 2020 | Register

#### **Standard Drafting Team Meetings and Conference Calls**

The <u>Standards calendar</u> 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 2019-06 Cold Weather Drafting Team Meeting January 28–30, 2020, Atlanta | Register
- Project 2017-01 Modifications to BAL-003-1.1 Drafting Team Meeting January 29–30, 2020, Atlanta | 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 <a href="mailto:Amy Klagholz">Amy Klagholz</a> with feedback on this bulletin. The current bulletin and old bulletins are available under "Program News" on both the <a href="mailto:Standards home page">Standards home page</a> and the <a href="mailto:Compliance & Enforcement home page">Compliance & Enforcement home page</a>.

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