

# 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
Join Ballot Pools			
Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
Posted for Comment			
Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
2021 Periodic Review Standards Review Team   Standards Grading	<u>Comment Period</u>	06/04/21	07/19/21

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NEW Project 2021-04 – Modifications to PRC-002-2   SARs	Comment Period	06/04/21	07/19/21
OTHER ACTIVE COMMENT PERIODS			
Posted for Comment			
Posting	Action	Start Date	End Date
<ul> <li>Comment Period Open for Drafts of NERC and Regional Entities' 2022</li> <li>Business Plans and Budgets: The first draft of the NERC 2022 Business</li> <li>Plan and Budget and the current drafts of the <u>Regional Entities' 2022</u></li> <li>business plans and budgets are now available on NERC's website for industry comments. NERC has posted the following documents for review and/or comment:         <ul> <li><u>Cover Letter</u> from Andy Sharp, Vice President and Chief Financial Officer</li> <li><u>NERC 2022 Business Plan and Budget Overview</u></li> <li><u>ERO Enterprise Combined 2022 Budgets and Assessments Overview</u></li> <li>First Draft of the NERC 2022 Business Plan and Budget</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Please submit all questions and comments to <u>Erika Chanzes</u> .	05/24/21	06/18/21
<b>NEW Comment Period Open for Draft 2021 ERO Reliability Risk</b> <b>Priorities Report:</b> Posted for comment is the draft <u>RISC 2021 ERO</u> <u>Reliability Risk Priorities Report</u> , which is published every two years and is intended to inform regulators, policymakers, and industry on existing and emerging risks as well as proposed and implemented mitigating strategies. The report builds off the <u>2019 ERO Reliability</u> <u>Risk Priorities Report</u> , <u>initial risk identification and mitigation</u> <u>framework</u> , the risk survey, the Reliability Leadership Summit, as well as additional input from the Reliability Issues Steering Committee (RISC) and individual industry leaders. The RISC works diligently to leverage all information to build a cogent report. It is also incumbent	Please submit comments via <u>email</u> using the <u>comment form</u> .	06/06/21	06/23/21



on the RISC to measure the effectiveness and progress toward resolution of identified risks and the efficacy of mitigating activities.			
Comment Period Open for Proposed Revisions to the NERC Rules of	Please submit comments electronically to	05/14/21	06/28/21
Procedure: NERC is proposing a series of revisions to Section 300	ROPcomments@nerc.net.		
(Reliability Standards Development), Appendix 3B (Procedures for			
Election of Members of the Standards Committee), and Appendix 3D			
(Development of the Registered Ballot Body) of its Rules of Procedure.			
The changes consist of updating language, staff titles, and processes,			
removing unnecessary or duplicative obligations, and clarifying roles			
and responsibilities. Redlined versions of NERC Rules of Procedure,			
title(s) of proposed revised ROP section(s) and/or appendices showing			
the proposed revisions are now available at: <u>NERC Rules of Procedure</u> .			
In addition, the posting includes a separate document that provides a			
detailed summary of the proposed revisions at: <u>Summary</u> . NERC			
intends to submit these changes to the NERC Board of Trustees for			
consideration at its August 2021 meeting.			

# **STANDARDS NEWS**

NEW 2021 Registered Ballot Body Self-Select Attestation Process Begins	Quick Links
<u>Appendix 3D Registered Ballot Body (RBB) Criteria</u> of the NERC Rules of Procedure states:	Register in the SBS
	Projected Standards Posting Schedule
	Project Tracking Spreadsheet
"Each participant, when initially registering to join the Registered Ballot Body, and	2019–2021 Reliability Standards Development Plan
	Quality Review Application
annually thereafter, shall self-select to belong to one of the Segments"	One-Stop Shop (Status, Purpose, Implementation Plans,
Therefore, NEDC (tendends staff initiated the 2024 Annual DDD Calf Cale & December	FERC Orders, RSAWs)
Therefore, NERC Standards staff initiated the <b>2021 Annual RBB Self-Select Process</b>	CIP Standards Efficiency Review
on June 7. Each RBB voting member should log into <u>Standards Balloting and</u>	Submit Questions or Feedback

to access the attestation page and complete the steps to confirm there have been no material changes in the last 12 months that affect the

Commenting System (SBS) and ensure the role listed is "Voter." Then click this link



entity's current Segment selection(s), thus the entity continues to meet the Segment qualifications (as outlined in the qualifications in *Appendix 3D: RBB Criteria* referenced above). Proxies **are not** required to attest. NERC must receive a response for all segments represented in the RBB by **8:00 p.m. Eastern, Monday, August 9, 2029**. Entities with segment(s) not attested for will be removed from the system. Anyone removed (unvetted) can re-apply at any time. For more information or assistance, please contact <u>Wendy Muller</u>.

## **NEW** Nomination Period Open for Project 2021-04 – Modifications to PRC-002-2 Drafting Team Members

NERC is seeking nominations for Standard Authorization Requests (SARs) drafting team members for Project 2021-04 – Modifications to PRC-002-2 through **8 p.m. Eastern, Tuesday, July 13, 2021**. The time commitment for this project is expected to be one meeting per quarter (on average two and a half full working days each meeting) with calls scheduled as needed to meet the agreed-upon timeline the review or drafting team sets forth. Team members may also have side projects, either individually or by subgroup, to present to the larger team for discussion and review. Lastly, an important component of the review and drafting team effort is outreach. Members of the team will be expected to conduct industry outreach during the development process to support a successful project outcome. NERC is seeking individuals who have subject matter expertise with Protection & Controls and are familiar with NERC Standard PRC-002. Previous drafting or review team experience is beneficial, but not required. See the project page and nomination form for additional information.

By submitting a nomination form, you are indicating your willingness and agreement to actively participate in face-to-face meetings and conference calls. Use the <u>electronic form</u> to submit a nomination. Contact <u>Linda Jenkins</u> regarding issues using the electronic form. An unofficial Word version of the nomination form is posted on the <u>Standard Drafting Team Vacancies</u> page and the <u>project page</u>. The Standards Committee is expected to appoint members to the SAR drafting team in August 2021. Nominees will be notified shortly after they have been appointed.

# **NEW** Supplemental Drafting Team Nomination Period Open for Project 2021-02 – Modifications to VAR-002

NERC is seeking additional nominations are being sought for Project 2021-02 – Modifications to VAR-002 drafting team members through **8 p.m. Eastern, Monday, June 21, 2021**. Drafting team activities include participation in technical conferences, stakeholder communications and outreach events, periodic meetings and conference calls. Approximately one face-to-face meeting per quarter can be expected (on average three full working days each meeting) with conference calls scheduled as needed to meet the agreed-upon timeline the drafting team sets forth. NERC is seeking individuals who possess experience in the following areas:

- Dispersed power producing resources
- Real-time and same day operations planning with a Generator Operator, Generator Owner, and Transmission Operator
- Coordination of Generating Unit or Plant Capabilities, Voltage Regulating Controls, and Protection



 Understanding how data provided by the applicable Generator Operators and Transmission Operators is analyzed and used appropriately

Use the <u>electronic form</u> to submit a nomination and contact <u>Wendy Muller</u> regarding issues with the system. An unofficial Word version of the nomination form is posted on the <u>Standard Drafting Team Vacancies</u> page and the <u>project page</u>. By submitting a nomination form, you are indicating your willingness and agreement to actively participate in face-to-face meetings and conference calls. Previous drafting team experience is beneficial but not required. The Standards Committee is expected to appoint members to the drafting team in July 2021. Nominees will be notified shortly after they have been appointed.

## **NEW Election Results for Standards Committee Special Election for Segment 5**

The Standards Committee (SC) nomination period for the special election for Segment 5 to fill the remainder of the 2020–2021 term closed May 24, 2021. The following individuals were nominated to represent Segment 5:

- Karie L. Barczak
- Scott Winner
- Srinivas Kappagantula
- Terri Pyle
- Esteban (Steve) Arreguin

An election was held from June 1–June 10. After verification of votes cast, the following election results are considered final. Terri Pyle received the majority vote and is elected to fill the remainder of the two-year term ending December 31, 2021. If you have any questions, please contact <u>Alison Oswald</u>.



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

There is no additional Compliance and Enforcement news to report for this week.	Quick Links	
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	Stop Shop	
	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)	
OTHER NEWS		

#### MEMBER NEWS 2021 NERC Membership Renewal Webinar Announced

On June 17, 2021 at 1:00 p.m. Eastern, NERC will host a webinar on the upcoming NERC membership renewal process. NERC membership staff will discuss recent changes to the NERC membership criteria, the 2021 renewal process, and frequently asked questions. The webinar will be recorded and posted to the <u>NERC Members</u> page following the conclusion of the program. Registration details are available <u>here</u> and under <u>Upcoming Events</u>. For more information or assistance, please contact <u>NERC Membership</u>.

#### **NEW GridSecCon Registration is Open**

NERC and Texas RE are co-hosting the 10<sup>th</sup> annual GridSecCon virtually on October 19–20, with training opportunities available October 18. GridSecCon features world-class training sessions, cutting-edge discussions, and in-depth presentations on emerging cyber and physical threats. It also provides policy updates, lessons learned and promotes best practices in the reliability, security, and resilience of the North American grid. Register today!

# 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)
July 1, 2021	<u>TPL-007-4 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements R12 and R13)</u>
October 1, 2021	FAC-008-5 – Facility Ratings
January 1, 2022	PRC-012-2 – Remedial Action Schemes (Requirement R9)
	TPL-007-4 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements R6, 6.1–6.4, R10, 10.1–10.4)
July 1, 2022	CIP-012-1 – Cyber Security – Communications between Control Centers
	PRC-002-2 – Disturbance Monitoring and Reporting Requirements (100% compliance for Requirements R2–R4, R6–R11)
October 1, 2022	CIP-005-7 - Cyber Security - Electronic Security Perimeter(s)CIP-010-4 - Cyber Security - Configuration Change Management and Vulnerability AssessmentsCIP-013-2 - Cyber Security - Supply Chain Risk Management
	PRC-024-3 – Frequency and Voltage Protection Settings for Generating Resources
January 1, 2023	<u>TPL-007-4 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements R3, R4, 4.1.</u> 4.1.1–4.1.2, 4.2, 4.3, 4.3.1, R8, 8.1, 8.1.1–8.1.2, 8.2, 8.3, 8.3.1)
July 1, 2023	TPL-001-5.1 – Transmission System Planning Performance Requirements   Implementation Plan
January 1, 2024	TPL-007-4 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements R7, 7.1–7.3, 7.3.1–7.3.2, 7.4, 7.4.1–7.4.3, 7.5, 7.5.1., R11, 11.1–11.3, 11.3.1–11.3.2, 11.4, 11.4.1–11.4.3, 11.5, and 11.5.1)



#### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND FERC ACTION**

#### **NEW FERC Open Meeting Agenda Posted**

FERC released the <u>Sunshine Agenda</u> for its upcoming June 17, 2021 open meeting. There is one item directly related to NERC's responsibilities under Section 215 of the Federal Power Act:

• E-25 – EL21-61-000 - George Berka v. Andrew M. Cuomo, North American Electric Reliability Corporation, Northeast Power Coordinating Council, New York Independent System Operator, Inc., New York Public Service Commission, Entergy Corporation, and Holtec Decommissioning International

# **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

There are no workshops or conferences currently scheduled.

#### Webinars

- NEW 2021 Periodic Review Standing Review Team | Standards Grading Webinar 1:00–2:00 p.m. Eastern, June 17, 2021 | Register
- NEW 2021 NERC Membership Renewal Webinar 1:00–2:00 p.m. Eastern, June 17, 2021 | Register
- <u>BPS-Connected Battery Energy Storage Systems and Hybrid Power Plants</u> Webinar 1:00–3:30 p.m. Eastern, July 15, 2021 | <u>Register</u>

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

• Standards Committee Conference Call – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, June 16, 2021 | <u>Register</u> | NEW <u>Agenda</u>

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

- NEW Project 2020-04 Modifications to CIP-012 Standard Drafting Team Conference Call 1:30–3:30 p.m. Eastern, June 21, 2021 | <u>Register</u>
- Project 2020-05 Modifications to FAC-001 and FAC-002 Drafting Team Conference Call 1:30–3:30 p.m. Eastern, June 22, 2021 | <u>Register</u>



- NEW Project 2020-04 Modifications to CIP-012 Standard Drafting Team Conference Call 1:30–3:30 p.m. Eastern, June 23, 2021 | <u>Register</u>
- Project 2020-05 Modifications to FAC-001 and FAC-002 Drafting Team Conference Call 1:30–3:30 p.m. Eastern, June 24, 2021 | <u>Register</u>

# **Regional Entity and Industry Events**

• SERC "The Scoop on Insider Threat" Webinar – 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Eastern, June 15, 2021 | Register | Agenda

## 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 <u>Amy Klagholz</u> with feedback on this bulletin. The current bulletin and old bulletins are available under "Program News" on both the <u>Standards home page</u> and the <u>Compliance & Enforcement home page</u>.

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 <u>Help Desk</u>. 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).