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Standards Announcement Recirculation Ballot Window Open December 3–14, 2009

Now available at: <https://standards.nerc.net/CurrentBallots.aspx>

Project 2009-21: Cyber Security Ninety-day Response

A recirculation ballot window for critical infrastructure protection (CIP) Reliability Standards CIP-002-3 through CIP-009-3, a general implementation plan, and a supplemental *Implementation Plan for Newly Identified Critical Cyber Assets and Newly Registered Entities* is now open **until 8 p.m. EST on December 14, 2009**.

Instructions

Members of the ballot pool associated with this project may log in and submit their votes from the following page: <https://standards.nerc.net/CurrentBallots.aspx>

Recirculation Ballot Process

The Standards Committee encourages all members of the ballot pool to review the consideration of comments submitted with the initial ballots. In the recirculation ballot, votes are counted by exception only — if a ballot pool member does not submit a revision to that member's original vote, the vote remains the same as in the first ballot. Members of the ballot pool may:

- Reconsider and change their vote from the first ballot.
- Vote in the second ballot even if they did not vote on the first ballot.
- Take no action if they do not want to change their original vote.

Next Steps

Voting results will be posted and announced after the ballot window closes.

Project Background

The purpose of this project is to modify certain CIP Reliability Standards in response to the directives issued in the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) [September 30, 2009 Order](#) approving version 2 of the CIP standards. Modifications must be filed within 90 days the order, and the Standards Committee authorized deviations from the standards development process to facilitate this schedule. The revised standards include associated Violation Risk Factors (VRFs) and Violation Severity Levels (VSLs).

Project page: http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/Project2009-21_Cyber_Security_90-day_Response.html

Applicability of Standards in Project

Reliability Coordinator
Balancing Authority
Interchange Authority
Transmission Service Provider
Transmission Owner
Transmission Operator

Generator Owner
Generator Operator
Load-Serving Entity
NERC
Regional Entity

Standards Development Process

The [Reliability Standards Development Procedure](#) contains all the procedures governing the standards development process. The success of the NERC standards development process depends on stakeholder participation. We extend our thanks to all those who participate.

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