

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 2018-01 – Canadian-specific Revisions to TPL-007-2	Final Ballots	11/29/18	12/10/18
Project 2017-01 – Modifications to BAL-003-1.1	Initial Ballots	01/08/19	01/17/19

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

Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
Project 2017-01 – Modifications to BAL-003-1.1	Join Ballot Pools	12/04/18	01/02/19

Posted for Comment

Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
Project 2016-02 – Modifications to CIP Standards Virtualization Updates for CIP-004, CIP-006, CIP-007, CIP-010, and Associated Definitions	Comment Period	11/02/18	12/18/18

Project 2017-01 – Modifications to BAL-003-1.1	Comment Period	12/04/18	01/17/19
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OTHER ACTIVE COMMENT PERIODS

Posted for Comment			
Posting	Action	Start Date	End Date
<p>Comment Period Open for Revised Retirement Date of PRC-004-WECC-2: The Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) has requested NERC to post the proposed revised retirement date of Regional Reliability Standard PRC-004-WECC-3 – Protection System and Remedial Action Scheme Misoperation (Retirement) for industry review and comment as permitted by the NERC Rules of Procedure.</p> <p>The NERC Board of Trustees approved the retirement of the regional standard at its February 2018 meeting; the retirement is currently pending regulatory approval. WECC initially proposed to retire the regional standard effective upon regulatory approval. WECC is proposing a revised retirement date of January 1, 2021 to coordinate the retirement of the regional standard with the effective date of continent-wide Reliability Standard PRC-012-2.</p> <p>The WECC Board of Trustees approved the revised retirement date for PRC-004-WECC-2 on December 6, 2018. An unofficial Word version of the comment form is posted on the Regional Reliability Standards Under Development page. Documents and information about this project are available on the WECC’s Standards Under Development page.</p>	<p>Use the Standards Balloting and Commenting System (SBS) to submit comments. If you experience any difficulties using the electronic form, contact Nasheema Santos.</p>	12/07/18	01/22/19

<p>NEW Comment Period Open for Regional Reliability Standard IRO-006-WECC-3: WECC requested that NERC post Regional Reliability Standard IRO-006-WECC-3 - Qualified Path Unscheduled Flow (USF) Relief for industry review and comment in accordance with the NERC Rules of Procedure.</p> <p>WECC conducted a mandatory five-year review of Regional Reliability Standard IRO-006-WECC-2. The WECC drafting team made the following changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clarified the purpose statement; • Replaced defined term “Qualified Transfer Path” with “Qualified Path” as included in the Western Interconnection Unscheduled Flow Mitigation Plan, approved by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. • Retired the following terms from the NERC Glossary of Terms Used in Reliability Standards because they are either no longer accurate or are no longer used in any standards: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Qualified Transfer Path, 2. Contributing Schedule, 3. Qualified Controllable Device, 4. Relief Requirement, 5. Transfer Distribution Factor, and 6. Qualified Transfer Path Curtailment Event. • Conformed the standard to current drafting conventions and template. 	<p>Use the Standards Balloting and Commenting System (SBS) to submit comments. If you experience any difficulties using the electronic form, contact Nasheema Santos.</p>	<p>12/14/18</p>	<p>01/28/19</p>
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Documents and information about this project are available on the [WECC's Standards Under Development](#) page.

STANDARDS NEWS

There is no additional Standards news to report for this week.

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 \(Status, Purpose, Implementation Plans, FERC Orders, RSAWs\)](#)

GENERAL COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT NEWS

There is no additional Compliance and Enforcement news to report for this week.

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](#)
[CMEP Technology Project](#)

OTHER NEWS

NEW Coordinated Functional Registration Enhancement on the ERO Portal Launched

The Coordinated Functional Registration (CFR) Enhancement for requirement parts is now ready for use by Registered Entities to create, submit, and update CFRs. This enhancement was identified in discussions with CFR participants and in a survey to registered entity CFR participants, regional staff, and NERC staff regarding level of effort to prepare, review, record, and publish CFRs.

To access this portal you must have access to the [ERO Portal \(Formerly NERC MyAccount\)](#). Instructions for registering for the ERO Portal and CFR Portal are included in the “CFR Portal User Guide” and PowerPoint training presentation located on the [Organization Registration](#) page on [NERC.COM](#) under “Reference Documents.” A link to the CFR Portal is also located on the Organization Registration page under “NERC Registration Tools.”

Additional training will be coordinated with registered entities over the next several weeks. A follow-up survey will be sent out on Friday, December 14, 2018 to CFR participants, regional staff, and NERC staff. For more information or assistance, please contact your Regional Entity or [NERC Registration](#).

Annual Sector Election Ballot Period Opens for Member Representatives Committee

The election period for the NERC Member Representatives Committee (MRC) Annual Sector Election began on December 7, 2018 and ends at midnight on December 17, 2018. The newly elected representatives’ terms will expire in February 2021.

In addition, John Hughes, a representative of the Large End-Use Electricity Customer sector on the MRC, resigned effective August 20, 2018, creating a vacancy in Sector 8 with a term ending February 2020. Therefore, Sector 8 is electing two members. The candidate receiving the highest vote in the sector will serve a two-year term and the second highest candidate will serve a one-year term.

Nominees by Sector	
Sector	Nominations
1 - Investor-Owned Utility	Lou Oberski (Dominion Energy)
2 - State/ Municipal Utility	Roy Jones (Electricities of North Carolina)

3 - Cooperative Utility	Jason Marshall (Wabash Valley Power Association)
4 - Federal/ Provincial Utility	Paul Choudhury (BC Hydro) Lloyd Linke (Western Area Power Administration) Lam Chung (Manitoba Hydro)
5 - Transmission-Dependent Utility	Bill Gallagher (Vermont Public Power Supply Authority)
6 - Merchant Electricity Generator	Martin Sidor (NRG Energy, Inc.)
7 - Electricity Marketer	Ben Engelby (ACES)
8 - Large End-Use Electricity Customer	Kara Beckmann (Occidental Chemical Corporation) Devin Hartman (Electricity Consumers Resource Council (ELCON))
9 - Small End-Use Electricity Customer	Kristin Munsch (Citizens Utility Board)
10 - ISO/ RTO	Bill Magness (Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. (ERCOT)) Peter Gregg (Independent Electricity System Operator)
12 - State Government	Matt Schuerger (Minnesota Public Utilities Commission)

Ballot Instructions

1. You must be the NERC Member's representative or alternate to submit a ballot.
2. The person casting the NERC Member's ballot (*i.e.*, the NERC Member's representative or alternate) must cast it in the sector in which the Member is registered.
3. Only one ballot per NERC Member may be cast.
4. Vote for one candidate from among those listed in your sector. Your ballot is invalid if you choose more than one nominee.
5. [Submit the ballot](#) by midnight, December 17, 2018.

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)
January 1, 2019	BAL-005-1 – Balancing Authority Control
	FAC-001-3 – Facility Interconnection Requirements
	TPL-007-1 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirement 5, 5.1– 5.2)
	VAR-001-5 – Voltage and Reactive Control
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
January 1, 2020	EOP-008-2 – Loss of Control Center Functionality
	CIP-003-7 – Cyber Security — Security Management Controls
July 1, 2020	PRC-026-1 – Relay Performance During Stable Power Swings (Requirements 2–4)
	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
October 1, 2020	PRC-002-2 – Disturbance Monitoring and Reporting Requirements (50% compliance for Requirements 2–4, 6–11)
	PER-006-1 – Specific Training for Personnel
January 1, 2021	PRC-027-1 – Coordination of Protection Systems for Performance During Faults
	PRC-012-2 – Remedial Action Schemes
January 1, 2022	TPL-007-1 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements 6, 6.1–6.4)
	TPL-007-1 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements 3,4,7)
July 1, 2022	PRC-002-2 – Disturbance Monitoring and Reporting Requirements (100% compliance for Requirements 2–4, 6–11)

BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND FERC ACTION

NEW NERC Filings

On December 14, 2018, NERC and Texas RE filed with FERC a [joint petition](#) for approval of retirement of Texas RE Regional Reliability Standard IRO-006-TRE-1 – IROL and SOL Mitigation in the ERCOT Region. At this time, the petition remains un-docketed. NERC will update the docket number on its website when it is assigned.

On December 14, 2018, NERC submitted to FERC an [informational filing](#) regarding the 2019–2021 Reliability Standards Development Plan in Docket Nos. RM05-17-000, RM05-25-000 and RM06-16-000. The 2019 Development Plan provides a status update on active development projects, a forecast of future work to be undertaken by industry participants and NERC throughout the upcoming year, and an analysis comparing completed projects and development accomplishments with the prior year’s Reliability Standards Development Plan. This informational filing was submitted in accordance with Section 310 of the NERC Rules of Procedure.

NERC’s 2018 filings to FERC are available [here](#).

NEW FERC Open Meeting Agenda Posted

The FERC Open Meeting [agenda](#) for December 20, 2018 has been posted. There are no items of interest to NERC on the FERC agenda for next week’s open meeting.

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 | **SAVE THE DATE**

Webinars

- Project 2017-01 – Modifications to BAL-003-1.1 Webinar – 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Eastern, December 18, 2018 | [Register](#)
- Methods for Establishing IROLs Task Force (MEITF) Informational Webinar – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, January 25, 2019 | [Register](#)

Standing Committee Meetings and Conference Calls

- **NEW** Member Representatives Committee Pre-Meeting Conference Call and Informational Webinar – 11:00 a.m.–Noon Eastern, January 9, 2019, | [Register](#)
- Standards Committee Conference Call – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, January 23, 2019 | [Register](#)
- Board of Trustees Committees, Member Representatives Committee, and Board of Trustees Committee Meetings – February 6–7, 2019, Manhattan Beach, CA | [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 2015-09 Establish and Communicate System Operating Limits Conference Call – 10:00 a.m.–Noon Eastern, December 19, 2018 | [Register](#)
- Project 2015-09 Establish and Communicate System Operating Limits Drafting Team Meeting – January 8–10, 2019, Orlando, FL | [Register](#)
- **NEW** Project 2016-02 Modifications to CIP Standards Drafting Team Meeting – January 8–10, 2019, Farmers Branch, TX | [Register](#)
- Standards Efficiency Review - Phase 2 Conference Call – 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Eastern, January 14, 2019 | [Register](#)
- Project 2017-01 – Modifications to BAL-003-1.1 Drafting Team Meeting – January 29–30, 2019, Juno Beach, FL | [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).