

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 2017-07 – Standards Alignment with Registration	Final Ballots	01/14/20	01/23/20
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
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Posted for Comment			

Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
Project 2019-02 – BES Cyber System Information Access Management	Comment Period	12/20/19	02/03/20

OTHER ACTIVE COMMENT PERIODS

Posted for Comment			
Posting	Action	Start Date	End Date
<p>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.</p>	Submit comments via email using the comment form .	12/20/19	02/12/20

STANDARDS NEWS

With the implementation of the [Align Project](#) in 2020, there will be changes to the [Reliability Standards web page](#) 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 Webinar Resources Posted

NERC has posted the [presentation](#) and [streaming webinar](#) from the January 16, 2020 Project 2019-02 BES Cyber System Information Access Management webinar.

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](#)

GENERAL COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT NEWS

NEW Compliance Guidance Updated

NERC has posted two new proposed Implementation Guidance documents on the [Compliance Guidance page](#). The proposed guidance documents address:

- [CIP-005-6, R2.4 and R2.5, Vendor Remote Access \(NATF\)](#)
- [CIP-010-2, R4, Transient Cyber Assets \(NATF\)](#)

NEW Webinar Resources Posted

NERC has posted the [recording](#) of its 2020 ERO Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Program (CMEP) Implementation Plan webinar.

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 \(formerly CMEP Technology Project\)](#)

NEW 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

The CCC has an open nomination process. Individuals or recognized industry groups may nominate candidates for consideration. A nominee that represents a [NERC member](#) 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 [CCC Charter](#) 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 [nomination form](#) and send it to CCCElections@nerc.net by **February 12, 2020**.

Align Webinar Announced

Stakeholders are invited to attend a webinar on January 27, 2020, that will provide an update to the [Align Project](#), which is a technology solution intended to align the business processes of NERC and the Regional Entities on a single platform; improve documentation, sharing and analysis of compliance work activities; and make Compliance Monitoring and Enforcement Program (CMEP) activities more effective and efficient across the ERO Enterprise.

The webinar will provide information on the ERO Enterprise's approach to collecting, maintaining, and securing registered entity evidence and CMEP documentation, along with enhancements to the project intended to address the issues related to collection and securing of data and evidence described in the November 19, 2019, Release 1 Deployment Update on the [project page](#). Specifically, the webinar will walk through

the ERO Enterprise’s approach to collecting and maintaining CMEP information and ERO Enterprise work papers and workflow within the Align tool, along with enhancements to existing work paper development processes to support conclusions without the need to store data for extended periods. Finally, the webinar will introduce and explain an evidence locker technology approach, separate from Align, where registered entity evidence will be submitted. Registration is available under [Upcoming Events](#).

OTHER NEWS

NEW Registration Open for NATF-EPRI-NERC Transmission Resiliency Summit

Co-sponsored by the North American Transmission Forum (NATF), Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI), and North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC), this summit, hosted by the Salt River Project, will bring together stakeholders involved in improving the resiliency of the North American Electric Transmission System. The summit will be held March 31–April 1, 2020, in Tempe, Arizona.

This Transmission Resiliency Summit is a continuation of summits that EPRI and NATF have hosted for their members on resiliency and related topics. Please [register](#) to attend by March 15, 2019. There is no registration fee for members to attend, but registration is required.

NEW Webinar Resources Posted

NERC has posted the [presentation](#) and [streaming webinar](#) from the January 9, 2020 ERO Event Analysis Process and Appendices – Version 4.0 webinar.

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, 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

NEW FERC Open Meeting Agenda Posted

FERC has posted the [agenda](#) for its open meeting on January 23, 2020. There are four items of interest to NERC on the agenda:

- E-20 - RR19-7-000 North American Electric Reliability Corporation
- E-21 - RM19-10-000 Transmission Planning Reliability Standard TPL-001-5
- E-22 - RM18-20-000 Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standard CIP-012-1 – Cyber Security – Communications between Control Centers
- E-24 - RM19-16-000/RM19-17-000 Electric Reliability Organization Proposal to Retire Requirements in Reliability Standards Under the NERC Standards Efficiency Review

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 [NERC calendar](#).

Workshops and Conferences

- **REGIONAL WORKSHOP** ReliabilityFirst Internal Control Workshop – February 12, 2020, Cleveland, OH | [Register](#)

Webinars

- Project 2019-02 BES Cyber System Information Access Management Webinar – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, January 16, 2020 | [Register](#)
- Update on Align Project Webinar – 1:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern, January 27, 2020 | [Register](#)
- 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

- **NEW** Standards Committee Conference Call – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, January 22, 2020 | [Register](#)
- 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 [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 2019-04 – Modifications to PRC-005-6 Drafting Team Meeting – January 22–23, 2020, Atlanta | [Register](#)
- Project 2015-09 – Establish and Communicate System Operating Limits Drafting Team Meeting – January 22–23, 2020, Atlanta | [Register](#)
- 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 [Amy Klagholz](#) 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).