

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 2019-03 – Cyber Security Supply Chain Risks CIP-005-7, CIP-010-4, and CIP-013-2	Additional Ballot and Non-binding Poll	06/12/20	06/22/20
Join Ballot Pools			
Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
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Posted for Comment			
Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
Project 2019-06 – Cold Weather Standard Authorization Request	Comment Period	04/22/20	05/21/20

Project 2020-03 – Supply Chain Low Impact Revisions Standard Authorization Request	Comment Period	04/03/20	06/03/20
Project 2020-04 – Modifications to CIP-012 Standard Authorization Request	Comment Period	04/08/20	06/11/20
Project 2019-03 – Cyber Security Supply Chain Risks CIP-005-7, CIP-010-4, and CIP-013-2	Comment Period	05/07/20	06/22/20

OTHER ACTIVE COMMENT PERIODS

Posted for Comment			
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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 Resources Posted

NERC posted the [streaming webinar](#) and [slide presentation](#) from the Project 2016-02 – Modifications to CIP Standards | External Routable Connectivity and Interactive Remote Access 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

There is no additional Compliance or 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](#)
[Align Project \(formerly CMEP Technology Project\)](#)

OTHER NEWS

NEW Resource Developed to Help Organizations Update Pandemic Response Plans

The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in unprecedented challenges for utility planning, operations, and response, prompting organizations to review existing or create epidemic/pandemic-response plans. To assist in these efforts, the North American Transmission Forum (NATF), the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC), the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) jointly developed a resource to help utilities create, update, or formalize their plans.

The [Epidemic/Pandemic Response Plan Resource](#) focuses on planning/preparedness, response, and recovery activities for a severe epidemic/pandemic. Noting that these types of events are unpredictable, an effective response depends on flexible and scalable management strategies and preventative measures taken in advance of potential events. Please click [here](#) for the full announcement.

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)
October 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 TPL-007-4 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements R1, R2, R5, 5.1–5.2, R9, 9.1–9.2)
January 1, 2021	CIP-008-6 – Cyber Security – Incident Reporting and Response Planning PRC-002-2 – Disturbance Monitoring and Reporting Requirements (50% compliance for Requirements R2–R4, R6–R11) PRC-012-2 – Remedial Action Schemes PRC-025-2 – Generator Relay Loadability (phased-in implementation of Attachment 1: Relay Settings, Table 1 Options 5b, 14b, 15b, and 16b)
April 1, 2021	PER-006-1 – Specific Training for Personnel PRC-027-1 – Coordination of Protection Systems for Performance During Faults
July 1, 2021	TPL-007-4 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements R12 and R13)
January 1, 2022	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)
January 1, 2023	TPL-007-4 – 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, 8.2, 8.3, 8.3.1)
July 1, 2023	TPL-001-5 – 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 Board Holds Virtual Meeting; Approves Updated Align Timeline, SEL Strategy

In order to respect stay-at-home orders and support the health and welfare of the industry's workforce during the COVID-19 pandemic, NERC held its quarterly Board of Trustees meeting via WebEx—the first virtual board meeting in ERO Enterprise history.

“At our last Board meeting, we spoke about what a remarkable year 2019 was—little did we know what was in store for us in 2020,” said Jim Robb, NERC president and chief executive officer. “This meeting was scheduled to take place in Washington, D.C., but change happens and we adapt. This has been an intense and challenging time for all of us across our industry. However, NERC and our community of stakeholders are navigating this crisis, and we will emerge even more resilient.” For the full Board summary, please click [here](#).

NEW NERC Filings

On May 14, 2020, NERC filed with FERC a [notice of withdrawal](#) of its petition for approval of proposed Reliability Standard VAR-001-6.

On May 15, 2020, NERC filed with FERC its [quarterly budget variance report](#) for Q1 2020.

NERC's 2020 filings to FERC are available [here](#).

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

There are no workshops or conferences currently scheduled.

Webinars

- Supply Chain Working Group Webinar Series: [Risks Related to Cloud Service Providers](#) — 1:00–2:00 p.m. Eastern, May 18, 2020 | [Register](#)

Standing Committee Meetings and Conference Calls

- **NEW** Standards Committee Conference Call – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, June 17, 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.

There are no standard drafting team meetings currently scheduled.

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](#).

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