

Standards, Compliance, and Enforcement Bulletin

April 12–18, 2021

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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 2019-06 – Cold Weather	Additional Ballots and Non-Binding Polls	04/16/21	04/26/21
Project 2019-02 – BES Cyber System Information Access Management	Additional Ballots and Non-Binding Polls	04/30/21	05/10/21

Join Ballot Pools

Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
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Posted for Comment

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Project 2019-06 – Cold Weather	Comment Period	04/02/21	04/26/21
Project 2017-01 – Modifications to BAL-003 White Paper	Comment Period	03/29/21	04/27/21
2020 Periodic Review Standing Review Team Standards Grading	Comment Period	03/22/21	05/05/21
Project 2019-02 – BES Cyber System Information Access Management	Comment Period	03/25/21	05/10/21

OTHER ACTIVE COMMENT PERIODS

Posted for Comment

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STANDARDS NEWS

Nomination Period Open for Standards Committee Special Election for Segment 4

Segment 4, Transmission Dependent Utilities (TDUs), currently has a vacancy for the remainder of the 2021–2022 term. The Standards Committee (SC) is seeking nominations through April 20, 2021 in preparation for a special election for Segment 4. Registered Ballot Body (RBB) members and others interested in NERC Reliability Standards are encouraged to submit nominations for industry segment representatives on the SC.

Anyone may submit a nomination. To be eligible, a nominee shall be an employee or agent of an entity belonging in the applicable Segment. To allow verification of affiliation, a nominee must be a registered user in the NERC [RBB](#). It is not required that the nominee be the same person as the entity’s RBB representative for the applicable Segment. Instructions are provided in the [Election of Members of the NERC Standards Committee Procedure](#) and nomination forms are posted on the [Standards Committee Election web page](#). To submit a nomination, complete the nomination form and submit to [Katrina Blackley](#) no later than **April 20, 2021**. Once received, nominations will be posted on the SC’s Nominations and Election web page. The special election will be conducted April 29–May 9, 2021. Election results will be announced shortly after the election closes.

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](#)
- [Submit Questions or Feedback](#)

GENERAL COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT NEWS

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

Quick Links

[Compliance Monitoring & Enforcement Program One-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

NEW GridSecCon 2021 Call for Abstracts

NERC and Texas RE are requesting abstracts from grid security professionals on physical and cyber security best practices and the challenges industry faces for GridSecCon 2021. Submissions are welcome from asset owner and operators in physical or cyber security roles, academic researchers, and industry and government experts. [Submit an abstract](#) for consideration as a training (October 18) or breakout session (October 19-20) topic by April 21. Successful submissions will be notified by May 17. Training sessions will be in four-hour increments; breakout sessions will be in one-hour increments. For more information or assistance, please contact events@eisac.com.

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	TPL-007-4 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements R12 and R13)
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	NEWLY ADDED CIP-005-7 – Cyber Security – Electronic Security Perimeter(s) NEWLY ADDED CIP-010-4 – Cyber Security – Configuration Change Management and Vulnerability Assessments NEWLY ADDED CIP-013-2 – Cyber Security - Supply Chain Risk Management PRC-024-3 – Frequency and Voltage Protection Settings for Generating Resources
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-001-5.1 – 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 NERC Filings

On April 5, 2021, NERC and Texas RE submitted to FERC a [Motion to Intervene and Comment](#) regarding a complaint by Michael Mabee related to Reliability Standards under Docket No. EL21-54-000.

On April 6, 2021, NERC and the Regional Entities submitted to FERC [comments](#) on a notice of proposed rulemaking regarding cyber security incentives.

NERC’s 2021 filings to FERC are available [here](#).

NEW FERC Issuances

On April 5, 2021, FERC issued an [order](#) approving amendments to NERC's Bylaws.

On April 7, 2021, FERC issued a [letter order](#) approving proposed Reliability Standard FAC-008-5 in Docket No.

FERC's 2021 issuances are available [here](#).

NEW FERC Open Meeting Agenda Posted

FERC released the [Sunshine Agenda](#) for its upcoming April 15, 2021 open meeting. There are two items of interest to NERC:

- E-1 - RM20-10-000 - Electric Transmission Incentives Policy Under Section 219 of the Federal Power Act
- E-3 - RM19-20-000 - WECC Regional Reliability Standard BAL-002-WECC-3 (Contingency Reserve)

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

- **SAVE THE DATE** Human Performance in Electric Power Virtual Session – 1:00–5:00 p.m. Eastern, May 6, 2021 | **Registration Coming Soon**
- **REGIONAL ENTITY EVENT** Texas RE CIP Workshop – 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. Central, June 3, 2021 | [Register](#)

Webinars

- **NEW** Project 2017-01 – Modifications to BAL-003 White Paper Webinar – 2:30–4:30 p.m. Eastern, April 13, 2021 | [Register](#)
- **NEW** Project 2019-06 – Cold Weather Webinar – 1:00–2:00 p.m. Eastern, April 14, 2021 | [Register](#)
- **INDUSTRY WEBINAR** DOE Wildfire Mitigation Webinar Series: Situational Awareness – 2:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern, April 15, 2021 | [Register](#)
- **INDUSTRY WEBINAR** DOE Wildfire Mitigation Webinar Series: Modeling & Analytical Tools – 2:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern, April 22, 2021 | [Register](#)
- **INDUSTRY WEBINAR** DOE Wildfire Mitigation Webinar Series: Modeling & Analytical Tools | Post Fire Analysis – 2:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern, April 29, 2021 | [Register](#)

Standing Committee Meetings and Conference Calls

- Member Representatives Committee Pre-Meeting Conference Call and Informational Webinar – 11:00–12:00 p.m. Eastern, April 14, 2021 | [Register](#) | [NEW Agenda](#)
- Standards Committee Meeting – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, April 21, 2021 | [Register](#)
- Board of Trustees, Board Committees, and Member Representatives Committee Meetings – May 12–13, 2021 | [Register](#) | [Schedule of Events](#)

Standard Drafting Team Meetings and Conference Calls

- Project 2015-09 – Establish and Communicate System Operating Limits Standard Drafting Team Conference Call – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, April 13, 2021 | [Register](#)
- Project 2019-04 – Modifications to PRC-005-6 Drafting Team Conference Call – 11:30 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Eastern, April 16, 2021 | [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](#).

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