

# Standards, Compliance, and Enforcement Bulletin

September 20–26, 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
<a href="#">Project 2020-03 – Supply Chain Low Impact Revisions</a>   CIP-003-X (Draft 1)	<a href="#">Initial Ballot and Non-Binding Poll</a>	10/01/21	10/11/21

### Join Ballot Pools

Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
<a href="#">Project 2020-03 – Supply Chain Low Impact Revisions</a>   CIP-003-X (Draft 1)	<a href="#">Join Ballot Pools</a>	08/27/21	09/27/21

### Posted for Comment

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<a href="#">Project 2020-03 – Supply Chain Low Impact Revisions</a>   CIP-003-X (Draft 1)	<a href="#">Comment Period</a>	08/27/21	10/11/21
OTHER ACTIVE COMMENT PERIODS			
Posted for Comment			
Posting	Action	Start Date	End Date
<p><b>Comment Period Open for SERC Regional Reliability Standard:</b> SERC requested that NERC post Regional Reliability Standard PRC-006-SERC-03 – Automatic Underfrequency Load Shedding for industry review and comment in accordance with the NERC Rules of Procedure.</p> <p>The revisions to the PRC-006-SERC-02 Automatic Underfrequency Load Shedding (UFLS) include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Removal of the requirement to allow Planning Coordinators to build a contiguous island;</li> <li>2. Changes to account for the Florida peninsula, including: (i)modification of UFLS settings; and Addition of a second method to calculate the percent of load shed;</li> <li>3. Elimination of the SERC UFLS Database; and</li> <li>4. Addition of Planning Coordinator as a requestor in Requirement R8 to facilitate post-event analysis of frequency disturbances.</li> </ol> <p>Documents and information about this project are available on the <a href="#">SERC Standards page</a>.</p>	<p>Use the <a href="#">Standards Balloting and Commenting System (SBS)</a> to submit comments.</p>	08/25/21	10/08/21

## STANDARDS NEWS

### **NEW Webinar Resources Posted**

NERC posted the [slide presentation](#) and [recording](#) from the September 9 Project 2020-03 Supply Chain Low Impact Revisions Industry webinar.

### **NEW Nomination Results and Election Opening for Segment 9 Special Election**

The Standards Committee (SC) nomination period for the special election for Segment 9 to fill the remainder of the 2020–2021 term closed September 6, 2021. Sarosh Muncherji was nominated to represent Segment 9. The election began on Tuesday, September 14, 2021 for Segment 9, and will remain open for ten calendar days closing on Thursday, September 23, 2021 at 8:00 p.m. Eastern. Each individual or entity that is a **member of Segment 9** may vote.

Detailed information on each candidate is posted on the [Standards Committee's Nominations and Elections web page](#). Click [here](#) to vote if you represent Segment 9. Proxies are allowed; proxy designations should be emailed to [Katrina Blackley](#) prior to voting. In accordance with the Procedure for Election of Members of the Standards Committee contained in Appendix 3B of the NERC Rules of Procedure, to be elected a nominee must meet both of the following criteria:

- Receive the highest total number of votes in that Segment; and
- Receive a simple majority of the votes cast in that Segment.

For more information or assistance, please contact [Alison Oswald](#).

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

[FERC Orders, RSAWs\)](#)

[CIP Standards Efficiency Review](#)

[Submit Questions or Feedback](#)

## GENERAL COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT NEWS

There is no additional Compliance or 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** Fault-Induced Solar PV Tripping Events in Texas: Odessa Disturbance Report Published

On May 9, 2021, the Texas Interconnection experienced a widespread reduction of over 1,100 MW of solar photovoltaic (PV) resources due to a normally cleared fault on the bulk power system (referred to as the “Odessa Disturbance”). While the ERO has analyzed multiple similar events in California, this is the first disturbance involving a widespread reduction of solar PV resources in the Texas Interconnection. The event involved facilities across a large geographic area of up to 200 miles from the location of the initiating fault.

NERC and Texas RE analyzed this event, in coordination with ERCOT, and have documented the key findings and recommendations in the [report](#). The report provides details regarding the initiating event, performance of the BPS-connected solar PV fleet during the event, and additional details around the event. The report also describes modeling and studies improvements needed to address the root causes of these issues, which is applicable to all Interconnections. Lastly, the report documents a smaller event involving solar PV resources that subsequently occurred on June 26.

**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.

<b>U.S. Effective Dates for Reliability Standards</b>	
<b>U.S. Effective Date</b>	<b>Standard(s)</b>
<b>October 1, 2021</b>	<a href="#">FAC-008-5 – Facility Ratings</a>
<b>January 1, 2022</b>	<a href="#">PRC-012-2 – Remedial Action Schemes (Requirement R9)</a> <a href="#">TPL-007-4 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements R6, 6.1–6.4, R10, 10.1–10.4)</a>
<b>July 1, 2022</b>	<a href="#">CIP-012-1 – Cyber Security – Communications between Control Centers</a> <a href="#">PRC-002-2 – Disturbance Monitoring and Reporting Requirements (100% compliance for Requirements R2–R4, R6–R11)</a>
<b>October 1, 2022</b>	<a href="#">CIP-005-7 – Cyber Security – Electronic Security Perimeter(s)</a> <a href="#">CIP-010-4 – Cyber Security – Configuration Change Management and Vulnerability Assessments</a> <a href="#">CIP-013-2 – Cyber Security – Supply Chain Risk Management</a> <a href="#">PRC-024-3 – Frequency and Voltage Protection Settings for Generating Resources</a>
<b>January 1, 2023</b>	<a href="#">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)</a>
<b>July 1, 2023</b>	<a href="#">TPL-001-5.1 – Transmission System Planning Performance Requirements   Implementation Plan</a>
<b>January 1, 2024</b>	<a href="#">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)</a>

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND FERC ACTION

### **NEW FERC Open Meeting Agenda Posted**

FERC released the [Sunshine Agenda](#) for its upcoming September 23, 2021 open meeting. There is one item of interest to NERC: A-3 - AD21-18-000 2021 Cold Weather Event in Texas and the South Central U.S.

### **NEW FERC Issuances**

On September 13, 2021, FERC issued a [letter order](#) approving revisions to the WECC Regional Reliability Standards Development Procedures in Docket No. RR21-4-000.

### **NEW NERC Filings**

On September 15, 2021, NERC submitted four [filings to FERC](#):

- NERC submitted a petition for approval of proposed Reliability Standards CIP-004-7 and CIP-011-3 addressing Bulk Electric System Cyber System Information (BCSI) Access Management. You can find the filing [here](#).
- NERC submitted an [informational compliance filing](#) as directed by FERC in its [February 20, 2020 Order](#). This filing contains a status update on two standards development projects relating to the CIP Reliability Standards, including the BCSI standards.
- NERC submitted a Request to Expend Funds from Its Operating Contingency Reserve. You can find the public portion of the filing [here](#).
- NERC submitted a Motion to Intervene and Comment on a complaint regarding the use of Chinese equipment in the Bulk Electric System. You can find the filing [here](#).

### **NEW Amendment to NERC's 2022 Business Plan and Budget**

NERC's 2022 Business Plan and Budget (BP&B) was approved by the NERC Board of Trustees (Board) on August 12, 2021, and subsequently filed with FERC on August 24, 2021. NERC is proposing to amend the 2022 BP&B to include additional fixed asset expenditures in connection with an anticipated move to a new headquarters office location in Atlanta, Georgia. A description of this [proposed amendment](#) and the impacts to the 2022 budget is posted on the NERC website for stakeholder review and awareness. NERC will seek Finance and Audit Committee (FAC) and Board approval of this amendment during both public meetings on September 28, 2021, and, if approved, subsequently file the budget amendment with FERC. The posted agenda packages for the [FAC](#) and [Board](#) meetings on September 28 include additional details on the proposed office move as part of the request to approve the 2022 budget amendment. Please direct all questions and/or comments to [Erika Chanzas](#).

## 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

- Monitoring and Situational Awareness Technical Conference: Session 1 – Overview of the Bulk Power System – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, September 23, 2021 | [Register](#)
- 2021 Probabilistic Analysis Forum – October 5–7, 2021 | [Day 1 Registration](#) | [Day 2 Registration](#) | [Day 3 Registration](#)
- Monitoring and Situational Awareness Technical Conference: Session 2 – Distributed Energy Resources – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, October 7, 2021 | [Register](#)
- GridSecCon 2021 – October 19–20, 2021 | [Register](#)
- Monitoring and Situational Awareness Technical Conference: Session 3 – Technique and Workforce Challenges – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, October 28, 2021 | [Register](#)

### Webinars

- **NEW** Align and Secure Evidence Locker Webinar – 2:00–3:30 p.m. Central, September 28, 2021 | [Register](#)
- [Distributed Energy Resource Modeling Capabilities in Simulation Tools](#) Webinar – 2:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern, October 28, 2021 | [Register](#)
- [2021 EPRI-NERC-NATF Planning and Modeling Webinar](#) – 1:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern (each day), November 3–4, 2021 | [Day 1 Registration](#) | [Day 2 Registration](#)

### Standing Committee Meetings and Conference Calls

- Compliance and Certification Committee Open Meeting – 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Eastern, September 22, 2021 | [Register](#) | **NEW** [Agenda](#)
- Joint Compliance and Certification Committee and Standards Committee Meeting – 10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. Eastern, September 23, 2021 | [Register](#) | [Agenda](#)
- Standards Committee Meeting – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, September 23, 2021 | [Register](#) | **NEW** [Agenda](#)
- **NEW** Finance and Audit Committee Meeting – 12:15–12:30 p.m. Eastern, September 28, 2021 | [Agenda Package](#)
- **NEW** Board of Trustees Open Meeting – 12:35–12:50 p.m. Eastern, September 28, 2021 | [Agenda Package](#)
- Member Representatives Committee Pre-Meeting Conference Call and Informational Webinar – 11:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Eastern, October 6, 2021 | [Register](#)

- Virtual Board of Trustees Committees, Member Representatives Committee, and Board of Trustees Meetings – November 3–4, 2021 | [Registration Details Coming Soon](#)

### **Standard Drafting Team Meetings and Conference Calls**

- **NEW** Project 2019-04 – Modifications to PRC-005-6 Drafting Team Conference Call – 12:30–3:30 p.m. Eastern, September 21, 2021 | [Register](#)

### **Regional Entity and Industry Events**

- ReliabilityFirst Annual Reliability and Compliance Virtual Workshop – September 22–23, 2021 | [Register](#)
- Texas RE Fall Standards and Compliance Workshop – 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Central, October 14, 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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