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## Standards Announcement

### Project 2016-02 Modifications to CIP Standards | Virtualization

**Formal Comment Period Extended, Now Open through September 1, 2021**

#### Now Available

Due to numerous requests received from industry, the 45-day formal comment period for the **CIP Virtualization suite of standards (outlined below)** has been extended and is now open through **8 p.m. Eastern, Wednesday, September 1, 2021**.

The standard drafting team's considerations of the responses received from the previous comment period are reflected in these drafts of the standards.

- CIP-002-7 - Cyber Security – BES Cyber System Categorization
- CIP-003-Y - Cyber Security – Security Management Controls
- CIP-004-Y - Cyber Security – Personnel & Training
- CIP-005-8 - Cyber Security – BES Cyber System Logical Isolation
- CIP-006-7 - Cyber Security – Physical Security of BES Cyber Systems
- CIP-007-7 - Cyber Security – Systems Security Management
- CIP-008-7 - Cyber Security – Incident Reporting and Response Planning
- CIP-009-7 - Cyber Security – Recovery Plans for BES Cyber Systems
- CIP-010-5 - Cyber Security – Configuration Change Management and Vulnerability Assessments
- CIP-011-Y - Cyber Security – Information Protection
- CIP-013-3 - Cyber Security – Supply Chain Risk Management

#### **Commenting**

Use the [Standards Balloting and Commenting System \(SBS\)](#) to submit comments. An unofficial Word version of the comment form is posted on the [project page](#).

- *Contact NERC IT support directly at <https://support.nerc.net/> (Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Eastern) for problems regarding accessing the SBS due to a forgotten password, incorrect credential error messages, or system lock-out.*
- *Passwords expire every **6 months** and must be reset.*
- *The SBS **is not** supported for use on mobile devices.*

- *Please be mindful of ballot and comment period closing dates. We ask to **allow at least 48 hours** for NERC support staff to assist with inquiries. Therefore, it is recommended that users try logging into their SBS accounts **prior to the last day** of a comment/ballot period.*

## **Next Steps**

Additional ballots for the standards and non-binding polls of the associated Violation Risk Factors and Violation Severity Levels will be conducted **August 23 – September 1, 2021**.

For information on the Standards Development Process, refer to the [Standard Processes Manual](#).

For more information or assistance, contact Senior Standards Developer, [Jordan Mallory](#) (via email) or at (404) 446-2589. [Subscribe to this project's observer mailing list](#) by selecting "NERC Email Distribution Lists" from the "Service" drop-down menu and specify "Project 2016-02 Modifications to CIP Standards Observer List" in the Description Box.

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