

Standards Announcement

Project 2016-02 Modifications to CIP Standards

Formal Comment Periods Open through April 30, 2018
Ballot Pools Forming through April 16, 2018

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Three formal comment periods are open through **8 p.m. Eastern, Monday, April 30, 2018** for:

1. **CIP-002-6 – Cyber Security - BES Cyber System Categorization**
2. **CIP-012-1 – Cyber Security - Communications between Control Centers**
3. **Project 2016-02 Modifications to NERC Glossary of Terms Used in Reliability Standards – Control Center**

Commenting

Use the [Standards Balloting and Commenting System \(SBS\)](#) to submit comments. If you experience difficulties navigating the SBS, contact [Wendy Muller](#). Unofficial Word versions of the comment forms are posted on the [project page](#).

Ballot Pools

Ballot pools are being formed through **8 p.m. Eastern, Monday, April 16, 2018** for the **Control Center Definition** and its **Implementation Plan**. Registered Ballot Body members can join the ballot pools [here](#).

- *If you are having difficulty accessing the SBS due to a forgotten password, incorrect credential error messages, or system lock-out, contact NERC IT support directly at <https://support.nerc.net/> (Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Eastern).*
- *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

The initial ballots for the **Control Center Definition** and its **Implementation Plan** will be conducted **April 20-30, 2018**. Additional ballots for **CIP-002-6** and **CIP-012-1** and the associated non-binding polls of the associated Violation Risk Factors and Violation Severity Levels will be conducted **April 20-30, 2018**.

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

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