

Comment Report

Project Name: 2023-03 Internal Network Security Monitoring | Draft 1 of CIP-015-1
Comment Period Start Date: 2/27/2024
Comment Period End Date: 3/18/2024
Associated Ballots: 2023-03 Internal Network Security Monitoring (INSM) CIP-015-1 IN 1 ST
Project 2023-03 Internal Network Security Monitoring (INSM) Implementation Plan IN 1 OT

There were 73 sets of responses, including comments from approximately 160 different people from approximately 102 companies representing 7 of the Industry Segments as shown in the table on the following pages.

Questions

1. Based on industry comments, the DT unanimously voted to continue Project 2023-03 without the inclusion of EACMs, PACS, and PCA devices outside of the ESP. Do you support this change? If you do not agree, please provide your recommendation, and if appropriate, technical, or procedural justification.
2. The Project 2023-03 DT decided to create a new objective-based standard (CIP-015-1) as opposed to revising one or more existing CIP Reliability Standards to ensure that the purpose and requirements are clear and allow for future expansion if necessary. Do you support this change? If you do not agree, please provide your recommendation, and if appropriate, technical, or procedural justification.
3. Based on industry feedback, the Project 2023-03 DT developed Requirement R1 of CIP-015-1 to address INSM within Responsible Entity's ESP. Do you agree that proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1 is clear to that intent, and do you support this direction? If you do not agree, please provide your recommendation, and if appropriate, technical, or procedural justification.
4. Based on industry feedback, the Project 2023-03 DT has drafted proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.1 to allow Registered Entities to identify network data collection location(s) and method(s) by implementing a risk-based approach focused on network security risks. The measures provide high-level guidance to achieving the risk-based approach. Do you agree that proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.1 is clear to that intent? If you do not agree, please provide your recommendation, and if appropriate, technical, or procedural justification.
5. Based on industry feedback, the Project 2023-03 DT has drafted proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.2, which consolidated two requirement parts from the previous Draft to CIP-007-X, to have flexibility in approaches to identify anomalous activity without prescribing that a baseline be developed. The use of the baseline is referenced in the measures as a method to demonstrate a method to meet the requirement part. Do you agree that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.2 is clear to that intent? If you do not agree, please provide your recommendation, and if appropriate, technical, or procedural justification.
6. Based on industry feedback, the Project 2023-03 DT has drafted language of Draft 1 of proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.3 for Registered Entities to have flexibility in order to evaluate activity detected in Part 1.2 to determine appropriate action. The measures provide high-level guidance to achieving the risk-based approach which may, or may not include, escalation of the CIP-008 Cyber Security Incident response plans. Do you agree that proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.3 is clear to that intent? If you do not agree, please provide your recommendation, and if appropriate, technical, or procedural justification.
7. The Project 2023-03 DT has drafted Requirement R2 of proposed CIP-015-1 for Registered Entities to protect INSM data collected in support of Requirement R1 to mitigate the risks of unauthorized deletion or modification. Do you agree that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R2 is clear to that intent? If you do not agree, please provide your recommendation, and if appropriate, technical, or procedural justification.
8. The Project 2023-03 DT has drafted Requirement R3 of proposed CIP-015-1 for Registered Entities to retain network communications data and other meta data collected with sufficient detail and duration to support the analysis in Requirement R1, Part 1.3, which is the evaluation of anomalous activity in order to determine appropriate action. The goal of the Project 2023-03 DT was to allow Registered Entities to determine how to meet the objectives without defining strict duration that could cause the retention of substantial amounts of data that may not be relevant to meeting the security objects of the Reliability Standard. Do you agree that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R3 is clear to that intent? If you do not agree, please provide your recommendation, and if appropriate, technical, or procedural justification.

9. Do you agree with the Implementation Plan for proposed CIP-015-1 that requires compliance within 36 months for applicable systems located at Control Centers and backup Control Centers and 60 months for applicable systems not located at Control Centers? If you do not agree, please provide your recommendation, and if appropriate, technical, or procedural justification.

10. Do you agree that the proposed CIP-015-1 is a cost-effective way to meet the reliability goal/NERC directives? If you do not agree, please provide your recommendation, and if appropriate, technical, or procedural justification.

11. Please provide any additional comments for the DT to consider, if desired.

Organization Name	Name	Segment(s)	Region	Group Name	Group Member Name	Group Member Organization	Group Member Segment(s)	Group Member Region
BC Hydro and Power Authority	Adrian Andreoiu	1	WECC	BC Hydro	Hootan Jarollahi	BC Hydro and Power Authority	3	WECC
					Helen Hamilton Harding	BC Hydro and Power Authority	5	WECC
					Adrian Andreoiu	BC Hydro and Power Authority	1	WECC
MRO	Anna Martinson	1,2,3,4,5,6	MRO	MRO Group	Shonda McCain	Omaha Public Power District (OPPD)	1,3,5,6	MRO
					Michael Brytowski	Great River Energy	1,3,5,6	MRO
					Jamison Cawley	Nebraska Public Power District	1,3,5	MRO
					Jay Sethi	Manitoba Hydro (MH)	1,3,5,6	MRO
					Husam Al-Hadidi	Manitoba Hydro (System Performance)	1,3,5,6	MRO
					Kimberly Bentley	Western Area Power Administration	1,6	MRO
					Jaimin Patal	Saskatchewan Power Corporation (SPC)	1	MRO
					George Brown	Pattern Operators LP	5	MRO
					Larry Heckert	Alliant Energy (ALTE)	4	MRO
					Terry Harbour	MidAmerican Energy Company (MEC)	1,3	MRO
Dane Rogers	Oklahoma Gas and Electric (OG&E)	1,3,5,6	MRO					

					Seth Shoemaker	Muscatine Power & Water	1,3,5,6	MRO
					Michael Ayotte	ITC Holdings	1	MRO
					Andrew Coffelt	Board of Public Utilities-Kansas (BPU)	1,3,5,6	MRO
					Peter Brown	Invenergy	5,6	MRO
					Angela Wheat	Southwestern Power Administration	1	MRO
					Bobbi Welch	Midcontinent ISO, Inc.	2	MRO
Tennessee Valley Authority	Brian Millard	1,3,5,6	SERC	TVA RBB	Ian Grant	Tennessee Valley Authority	3	SERC
					David Plumb	Tennessee Valley Authority	1	SERC
					Armando Rodriguez	Tennessee Valley Authority	6	SERC
					Nehtisha Rollis	Tennessee Valley Authority	5	SERC
Con Ed - Consolidated Edison Co. of New York	Dermot Smyth	1	NPCC	Con Edison	Dermot Smyth	Con Edison Company of New York	1,3,5,6	NPCC
					Edward Bedder	Orange & Rockland		NPCC
Jennie Wike	Jennie Wike		WECC	Tacoma Power	Jennie Wike	Tacoma Public Utilities	1,3,4,5,6	WECC
					John Merrell	Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA)	1	WECC
					John Nierenberg	Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA)	3	WECC
					Hien Ho	Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA)	4	WECC
					Terry Gifford	Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA)	6	WECC

					Ozan Ferrin	Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA)	5	WECC
Southern Company - Southern Company Services, Inc.	Jennifer Tidwell	1,3,5,6	SERC	Southern Company	Leslie Burke	Southern Company - Southern Company Generation	5	SERC
					Matt Carden	Southern Company - Southern Company Services, Inc.	1	SERC
					Ron Carlsen	Southern Company - Southern Company Generation	6	SERC
					Joel Dembowski	Southern Company - Alabama Power Company	3	SERC
ACES Power Marketing	Jodirah Green	1,3,4,5,6	MRO,RF,SERC,Texas RE,WECC	ACES Collaborators	Bob Soloman	Hoosier Energy Electric Cooperative	1	RF
					Jennifer Bray	Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.	1	WECC
					Jason Procuniar	Buckeye Power, Inc.	4	RF
					Tony Kroskey	Brazos Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.	1	Texas RE
FirstEnergy - FirstEnergy Corporation	Mark Garza	4		FE Voter	Julie Severino	FirstEnergy - FirstEnergy Corporation	1	RF
					Aaron Ghodooshim	FirstEnergy - FirstEnergy Corporation	3	RF
					Robert Loy	FirstEnergy - FirstEnergy Solutions	5	RF

					Mark Garza	FirstEnergy-FirstEnergy	1,3,4,5,6	RF
					Stacey Sheehan	FirstEnergy - FirstEnergy Corporation	6	RF
Michael Johnson	Michael Johnson		WECC	PG&E All Segments	Marco Rios	Pacific Gas and Electric Company	1	WECC
					Sandra Ellis	Pacific Gas and Electric Company	3	WECC
					Frank Lee	Pacific Gas and Electric Company	5	WECC
California ISO	Monika Montez	2	WECC	ISO/RTO Council Standards Review Committee (SRC)	Monika Montez	CAISO	2	WECC
					Bobbi Welch	Midcontinent ISO, Inc.	2	RF
					Kathleen Goodman	ISO-NE	2	NPCC
					Gregory Campoli	New York Independent System Operator	2	NPCC
					Helen Lainis	IESO	2	NPCC
					Charles Yeung	Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (RTO)	2	MRO
					Kennedy Meier	Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc.	2	Texas RE
					Elizabeth Davis	PJM	2	SERC
Black Hills Corporation	Rachel Schuldt	6		Black Hills Corporation - All Segments	Micah Runner	Black Hills Corporation	1	WECC
					Josh Combs	Black Hills Corporation	3	WECC
					Rachel Schuldt	Black Hills Corporation	6	WECC
					Carly Miller	Black Hills Corporation	5	WECC
					Sheila Suurmeier	Black Hills Corporation	5	WECC
Dominion - Dominion	Sean Bodkin	6		Dominion	Connie Lowe	Dominion - Dominion	3	NA - Not Applicable

Resources, Inc.						Resources, Inc.		
					Lou Oberski	Dominion - Dominion Resources, Inc.	5	NA - Not Applicable
					Larry Nash	Dominion - Dominion Virginia Power	1	NA - Not Applicable
					Rachel Snead	Dominion - Dominion Resources, Inc.	5	NA - Not Applicable
Western Electricity Coordinating Council	Steven Rueckert	10		WECC CIP	Steve Rueckert	WECC	10	WECC
			Morgan King		WECC	10	WECC	
			Deb McEndaffer		WECC	10	WECC	
			Tom Williams		WECC	10	WECC	
Tim Kelley	Tim Kelley		WECC	SMUD and BANC	Nicole Looney	Sacramento Municipal Utility District	3	WECC
		Charles Norton			Sacramento Municipal Utility District	6	WECC	
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		Foung Mua			Sacramento Municipal Utility District	4	WECC	
		Nicole Goi			Sacramento Municipal Utility District	5	WECC	
		Kevin Smith			Balancing Authority of Northern California	1	WECC	
Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc.	Todd Bennett	3		AECI	Michael Bax	Central Electric Power Cooperative (Missouri)	1	SERC
			Adam Weber		Central Electric Power Cooperative (Missouri)	3	SERC	

Gary Dollins	M and A Electric Power Cooperative	3	SERC
William Price	M and A Electric Power Cooperative	1	SERC
Olivia Olson	Sho-Me Power Electric Cooperative	1	SERC
Mark Ramsey	N.W. Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.	1	SERC
Heath Henry	NW Electric Power Cooperative, Inc.	3	SERC
Tony Gott	KAMO Electric Cooperative	3	SERC
Micah Breedlove	KAMO Electric Cooperative	1	SERC
Brett Douglas	Northeast Missouri Electric Power Cooperative	1	SERC
Skyler Wiegmann	Northeast Missouri Electric Power Cooperative	3	SERC
Mark Riley	Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc.	1	SERC
Brian Ackermann	Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc.	6	SERC
Chuck Booth	Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc.	5	SERC
Jarrold Murdaugh	Sho-Me Power Electric Cooperative	3	SERC

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Ellese Murphy - Duke Energy - 1,3,5,6 - Texas RE,SERC,RF

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Duke Energy supports this change, and thanks the Drafting Team for their careful consideration of the scope.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Michael Johnson - Michael Johnson On Behalf of: Frank Lee, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Marco Rios, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Sandra Ellis, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; - Michael Johnson, Group Name PG&E All Segments

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

PG&E supports the modifications.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Rachel Schuldt - Black Hills Corporation - 6, Group Name Black Hills Corporation - All Segments

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Black Hills Corporation agrees with EEI comments: EEI agrees with the SDT's decision to continue Project 2023-03 without the inclusion of EACMS, PACS, and PCA devices outside of the ESP.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Larry Snow - Cogentrix Energy Power Management, LLC - NA - Not Applicable - Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

A PCA is within an ESP, the question is worded incorrectly.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Andy Fuhrman - Andy Fuhrman On Behalf of: Theresa Allard, Minnkota Power Cooperative Inc., 1; - Andy Fuhrman

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

MPC supports comments submitted by the MRO NERC Standards Review Forum.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alyssia Rhoads - Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

The term "PCA devices outside of the ESP" appears to contradict the NERC definition of PCA.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Anna Martinson - MRO - 1,2,3,4,5,6 - MRO, Group Name MRO Group

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

MRO NSRF supports this change, as the previous conditional inclusions were a source of confusion for many.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Cain Braveheart - Bonneville Power Administration - 1,3,5,6 - WECC

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

BPA endorses removing "EACMS, PACS, and PCA devices" from the requirements.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Mark Garza - FirstEnergy - FirstEnergy Corporation - 4, Group Name FE Voter

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

No additional comments

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Tidwell - Southern Company - Southern Company Services, Inc. - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name Southern Company

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Southern Company appreciates the change in scope for this version of the standard. The original scoping in the standard for individual systems outside of a defined ESP in requirements intended at a network (and not system) level is problematic. If the intent of the standard included system level monitoring rather than network monitoring only, how to scope such requirements to individual systems would be clearer. We appreciate the clearer scope.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Dermot Smyth - Con Ed - Consolidated Edison Co. of New York - 1, Group Name Con Edison	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Supporting EEI comments for all questions	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Jason Chandler - Con Ed - Consolidated Edison Co. of New York - 6	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Supporting EEI comments for all questions.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Richard Vendetti - NextEra Energy - 5	

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
NEE support's EEI's comment(s): EEI agrees with the SDT's decision to continue Project 2023-03 without the inclusion of EACMS, PACS, and PCA devices outside of the ESP.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
David Jendras Sr - Ameren - Ameren Services - 3	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Ameren agrees with and supports EEI comments.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Roger Fradenburgh - Roger Fradenburgh On Behalf of: Nick Lauriat, Network and Security Technologies, 1; - Roger Fradenburgh	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
NST recommends that, for the sake of consistency with CIP-007, CIP-015's scope include BES Cyber Assets and any associated PCAs (which exist only inside ESPs).	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Steven Rueckert - Western Electricity Coordinating Council - 10, Group Name WECC CIP	
Answer	Yes

Document Name	
Comment	
<p>WECC agrees with not including EACMS, PACS and PCAs outside ESP as it would not be consistent with the applicable systems scope of the SAR. However, we note that any scope of 'PCA devices outside of the ESP' is not supported by the definition of a PCA –</p> <p>'One or more Cyber Assets connected using a routable protocol within or on an Electronic Security Perimeter that is not part of the highest impact BES Cyber System within the same Electronic Security Perimeter. The impact rating of Protected Cyber Assets is equal to the highest rated BES Cyber System in the same ESP.'</p>	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	
James Baldwin - James Baldwin On Behalf of: Matt Lewis, Lower Colorado River Authority, 5, 1; - James Baldwin	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
<p>With the caveat the PCAs by definition are inside an ESP and are in scope.</p>	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	
Clay Walker - Cleco Corporation - 1,3,5,6 - SERC	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
<p>Cleco agrees with EEI comments.</p>	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	
Teresa Krabe - Lower Colorado River Authority - 5	

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
With the caveat the PCAs by definition are inside an ESP and are in scope.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Dwanique Spiller - Berkshire Hathaway - NV Energy - 5	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
BHE agrees with the SDT's decision to continue Project 2023-03 without the inclusion of EACMS, PACS, and PCA devices outside of the ESP.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Junji Yamaguchi - Hydro-Quebec (HQ) - 1,5	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
A PCA is within an ESP and the question is worded incorrectly	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Glen Farmer - Avista - Avista Corporation - 5	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	

Comment

EEl agrees with the SDT's decision to continue Project 2023-03 without the inclusion of EACMS, PACS, and PCA devices outside of the ESP.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Robert Blackney - Edison International - Southern California Edison Company - 1**

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

See comments submitted by the Edison Electric Institute.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Alain Mukama - Hydro One Networks, Inc. - 1**

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Don't see the issue, but the final requirement verbiage should be clear on the Applicable System(s)/ESP.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Kinte Whitehead - Exelon - 3**

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Exelon is aliging with the EEI in response to this question.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Daniel Gacek - Exelon - 1

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Exelon supports the comments submitted by the EEI for this question.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Marcus Sabo - Marcus Sabo On Behalf of: Michael Moltane, International Transmission Company Holdings Corporation, 1; - Marcus Sabo

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

ITC supports EEI's comments on this project.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Constantin Chitescu - Ontario Power Generation Inc. - 5

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

OPG supports NPCC Regional Standards Committee's comments:

"A PCA is within an ESP and the question is worded incorrectly. "

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Hillary Creurer - Allele - Minnesota Power, Inc. - 1

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Minnesota Power supports EEI's comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Marie Potter - Marie Potter On Behalf of: Alison MacKellar, Constellation, 5, 6; Kimberly Turco, Constellation, 5, 6; - Marie Potter

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

PCA devices do not sit outside of the ESP. Please clarify if the DT intention is to exclude PCA devices (in the ESP) or to simply exclude EACMS and PACS (outside of the ESP).

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Kristine Martz - Edison Electric Institute - NA - Not Applicable - NA - Not Applicable

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

EEI agrees with the SDT's decision to continue Project 2023-03 without the inclusion of EACMS, PACS, and PCA devices outside of the ESP.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Lindsay Wickizer - Berkshire Hathaway - PacifiCorp - 6

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

BHE agrees with the SDT's decision to continue Project 2023-03 without the inclusion of EACMS, PACS, and PCA devices outside of the ESP.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Martin Sidor - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Ruchi Shah - AES - AES Corporation - 5

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alison Nickells - NiSource - Northern Indiana Public Service Co. - 1,3,5,6

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Patricia Lynch - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Buckman - Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Co. - 3,5,6 - RF

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Tristan Miller - CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC - 1 - Texas RE

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Donna Wood - Tri-State G and T Association, Inc. - 1

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jesus Sammy Alcaraz - Imperial Irrigation District - 1

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Wendy Kalidass - U.S. Bureau of Reclamation - 5

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

James Keele - Entergy - 3

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	
Gail Golden - Entergy - Entergy Services, Inc. - 5	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	
Karen Artola - CPS Energy - 1,3,5 - Texas RE	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	
C. A. Campbell - LS Power Development, LLC - 5	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes	0

Dislikes 0

Response

Anton Vu - Los Angeles Department of Water and Power - 6

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Robert Follini - Avista - Avista Corporation - 3

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Brian Millard - Tennessee Valley Authority - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name TVA RBB

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Erik Gustafson - PNM Resources - Public Service Company of New Mexico - 1,3 - WECC,Texas RE

Answer Yes

Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Andrew Smith - APS - Arizona Public Service Co. - 5	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Monika Montez - California ISO - 2 - WECC, Group Name ISO/RTO Council Standards Review Committee (SRC)	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Roger Perkins - Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	

Response

Kennedy Meier - Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. - 2

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alan Kloster - Alan Kloster On Behalf of: Jeremy Harris, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Kevin Frick, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Marcus Moor, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Tiffany Lake, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; - Alan Kloster

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Wayne Sipperly - North American Generator Forum - 5 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Rachel Coyne - Texas Reliability Entity, Inc. - 10

Answer Yes

Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Jennifer Bray - Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Tim Kelley - Tim Kelley On Behalf of: Charles Norton, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Fong Mua, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Kevin Smith, Balancing Authority of Northern California, 1; Nicole Looney, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Ryder Couch, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Wei Shao, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; - Tim Kelley, Group Name SMUD and BANC	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Sean Bodkin - Dominion - Dominion Resources, Inc. - 6, Group Name Dominion	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennie Wike - Jennie Wike On Behalf of: Hien Ho, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; John Nierenberg, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; Ozan Ferrin, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; Terry Gifford, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; - Jennie Wike, Group Name Tacoma Power

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Chris Carnesi - Chris Carnesi On Behalf of: Dennis Sismaet, Northern California Power Agency, 4, 6, 3, 5; - Chris Carnesi

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Adrian Andreoiu - BC Hydro and Power Authority - 1, Group Name BC Hydro

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Amy Wilke - American Transmission Company, LLC - 1**Answer** Yes**Document Name****Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Mia Wilson - Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (RTO) - 2 - MRO,WECC****Answer** Yes**Document Name****Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Katrina Lyons - Georgia System Operations Corporation - 4****Answer** Yes**Document Name****Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Colin Chilcoat - Invenenergy LLC - 6****Answer** Yes**Document Name****Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jodirah Green - ACES Power Marketing - 1,3,4,5,6 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,SERC,RF, Group Name ACES Collaborators

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Israel Perez - Israel Perez On Behalf of: Mathew Weber, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Sarah Blankenship, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Thomas Johnson, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Timothy Singh, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; - Israel Perez

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Todd Bennett - Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. - 3, Group Name AECI

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Peter Yost - Con Ed - Consolidated Edison Co. of New York - 3

Answer

Document Name

Comment

SUPPORTING EEI COMMENTS ON ALL QUESTIONS.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

2. The Project 2023-03 DT decided to create a new objective-based standard (CIP-015-1) as opposed to revising one or more existing CIP Reliability Standards to ensure that the purpose and requirements are clear and allow for future expansion if necessary. Do you support this change? If you do not agree, please provide your recommendation, and if appropriate, technical, or procedural justification.

Israel Perez - Israel Perez On Behalf of: Mathew Weber, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Sarah Blankenship, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Thomas Johnson, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Timothy Singh, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; - Israel Perez

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

SRP could support the creation of an entirely new standard once we understand the definition of "objective-based". Please clarify "objective-based" or explain what it actually means.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alain Mukama - Hydro One Networks, Inc. - 1

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

If INSM not going to be in CIP-007 R6 and creating CIP-015 for INSM, why not move CIP-007 R4 Security Event Monitoring also to this new CIP-015?

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Gail Golden - Entergy - Entergy Services, Inc. - 5

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

This creates a new standard in which creates a new monitoring standard when other standards already require monitoring (e.g CIP-003, CIP-005, CIP-007, CIP-010). Suggest consolidation of security monitoring standards.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

James Keele - Entergy - 3

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

This creates a new standard in which creates a new monitoring standard when other standards already require monitoring (e.g CIP-003, CIP-005, CIP-007, CIP-010). Suggest consolidation of security monitoring standards.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Lindsay Wickizer - Berkshire Hathaway - PacifiCorp - 6

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

BHE agrees with the SDT's decision to create a new objective-based Standard (CIP-015-1) instead of revising one or more existing CIP Reliability Standards.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Kristine Martz - Edison Electric Institute - NA - Not Applicable - NA - Not Applicable

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

EI agrees with the SDT's decision to create a new objective-based Standard (CIP-015-1) instead of revising one or more existing CIP Reliability Standards.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Hillary Creurer - Allete - Minnesota Power, Inc. - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Minnesota Power supports EEI's comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Constantin Chitescu - Ontario Power Generation Inc. - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Marcus Sabo - Marcus Sabo On Behalf of: Michael Moltane, International Transmission Company Holdings Corporation, 1; - Marcus Sabo

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

ITC supports EEI's comments on this project.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Daniel Gacek - Exelon - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Exelon supports the comments submitted by the EEI for this question.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Kinte Whitehead - Exelon - 3

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Exelon is aliging with the EEI in response to this question.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Robert Blackney - Edison International - Southern California Edison Company - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

See comments submitted by the Edison Electric Institute.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Glen Farmer - Avista - Avista Corporation - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

EEl agrees with the SDT's decision to create a new objective-based Standard (CIP-015-1) instead of revising one or more existing CIP Reliability Standards

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Dwanique Spiller - Berkshire Hathaway - NV Energy - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

BHE agrees with the SDT's decision to create a new objective-based Standard (CIP-015-1) instead of revising one or more existing CIP Reliability Standards.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Clay Walker - Cleco Corporation - 1,3,5,6 - SERC

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Cleco agrees with EEl comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

David Jendras Sr - Ameren - Ameren Services - 3

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Ameren agrees with and supports EEI comments.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Richard Vendetti - NextEra Energy - 5	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
NEE support's EEI's comment(s): EEI agrees with the SDT's decision to create a new objective-based Standard (CIP-015-1) instead of revising one or more existing CIP Reliability Standards.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Brian Millard - Tennessee Valley Authority - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name TVA RBB	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
<p>While TVA understands the challenges to updating CIP-007 to include internal network security monitoring we believe that these changes should be included within existing monitoring requirements or those requirements, mainly CIP-007 R4, be moved to CIP-015 as well. INSM should be an extension of the existing required cybersecurity monitoring program, not a new program. By combining the two efforts some of the same requirements between CIP-007 R4 and the INSM components in CIP-015 may be used. Additionally, if the scope of the standard is expanded to Low systems in the future this will make it easier to apply the full monitoring program that would be needed.</p> <p>Moving the proposed monitoring requirements to CIP-015 removes these obligations from the scope of the existing CIP-003 Cyber Security Policy – suggest consider revising CIP-003 to include CIP-015 in Cyber Security Policy.</p>	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	

Response

Jennifer Tidwell - Southern Company - Southern Company Services, Inc. - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name Southern Company

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Southern Company agrees with the feedback by EEI.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Mark Garza - FirstEnergy - FirstEnergy Corporation - 4, Group Name FE Voter

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

No additional comments

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Rachel Schuldt - Black Hills Corporation - 6, Group Name Black Hills Corporation - All Segments

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Black Hills Corporation agrees with EEI comments: EEI agrees with the SDT's decision to create a new objective-based Standard (CIP-015-1) instead of revising one or more existing CIP Reliability Standards.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Michael Johnson - Michael Johnson On Behalf of: Frank Lee, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Marco Rios, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Sandra Ellis, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; - Michael Johnson, Group Name PG&E All Segments

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

PG&E supports the modifications.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Todd Bennett - Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. - 3, Group Name AECI

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jodirah Green - ACES Power Marketing - 1,3,4,5,6 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,SERC,RF, Group Name ACES Collaborators

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Marie Potter - Marie Potter On Behalf of: Alison MacKellar, Constellation, 5, 6; Kimberly Turco, Constellation, 5, 6; - Marie Potter

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Colin Chilcoat - Invenergy LLC - 6

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Katrina Lyons - Georgia System Operations Corporation - 4

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Mia Wilson - Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (RTO) - 2 - MRO,WECC

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Amy Wilke - American Transmission Company, LLC - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Adrian Andreoiu - BC Hydro and Power Authority - 1, Group Name BC Hydro

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Teresa Krabe - Lower Colorado River Authority - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Chris Carnesi - Chris Carnesi On Behalf of: Dennis Sismaet, Northern California Power Agency, 4, 6, 3, 5; - Chris Carnesi

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

James Baldwin - James Baldwin On Behalf of: Matt Lewis, Lower Colorado River Authority, 5, 1; - James Baldwin

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennie Wike - Jennie Wike On Behalf of: Hien Ho, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; John Nierenberg, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; Ozan Ferrin, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; Terry Gifford, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; - Jennie Wike, Group Name Tacoma Power

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Sean Bodkin - Dominion - Dominion Resources, Inc. - 6, Group Name Dominion

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Tim Kelley - Tim Kelley On Behalf of: Charles Norton, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Fong Mua, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Kevin Smith, Balancing Authority of Northern California, 1; Nicole Looney, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Ryder Couch, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Wei Shao, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; - Tim Kelley, Group Name SMUD and BANC

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Bray - Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Rachel Coyne - Texas Reliability Entity, Inc. - 10

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Steven Rueckert - Western Electricity Coordinating Council - 10, Group Name WECC CIP

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Wayne Sipperly - North American Generator Forum - 5 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Alan Kloster - Alan Kloster On Behalf of: Jeremy Harris, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Kevin Frick, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Marcus Moor, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Tiffany Lake, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; - Alan Kloster	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Roger Fradenburgh - Roger Fradenburgh On Behalf of: Nick Lauriat, Network and Security Technologies, 1; - Roger Fradenburgh	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	

Response

Kennedy Meier - Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. - 2

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Roger Perkins - Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Monika Montez - California ISO - 2 - WECC, Group Name ISO/RTO Council Standards Review Committee (SRC)

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Andrew Smith - APS - Arizona Public Service Co. - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Erik Gustafson - PNM Resources - Public Service Company of New Mexico - 1,3 - WECC,Texas RE****Answer**

Yes

Document Name**Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Jason Chandler - Con Ed - Consolidated Edison Co. of New York - 6****Answer**

Yes

Document Name**Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Robert Follini - Avista - Avista Corporation - 3****Answer**

Yes

Document Name**Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Anton Vu - Los Angeles Department of Water and Power - 6

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Cain Braveheart - Bonneville Power Administration - 1,3,5,6 - WECC

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

C. A. Campbell - LS Power Development, LLC - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Anna Martinson - MRO - 1,2,3,4,5,6 - MRO, Group Name MRO Group

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alyssia Rhoads - Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County - 1

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Karen Artola - CPS Energy - 1,3,5 - Texas RE

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Andy Fuhrman - Andy Fuhrman On Behalf of: Theresa Allard, Minnkota Power Cooperative Inc., 1; - Andy Fuhrman

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Larry Snow - Cogentrix Energy Power Management, LLC - NA - Not Applicable - Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0

Response

Wendy Kalidass - U.S. Bureau of Reclamation - 5

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0

Response

Jesus Sammy Alcaraz - Imperial Irrigation District - 1

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0

Response

Donna Wood - Tri-State G and T Association, Inc. - 1

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Tristan Miller - CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC - 1 - Texas RE

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Buckman - Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Co. - 3,5,6 - RF

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Patricia Lynch - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alison Nickells - NiSource - Northern Indiana Public Service Co. - 1,3,5,6

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Ruchi Shah - AES - AES Corporation - 5	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Martin Sidor - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Junji Yamaguchi - Hydro-Quebec (HQ) - 1,5	
Answer	
Document Name	
Comment	
TFIST had no comment on question 2	

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Ellese Murphy - Duke Energy - 1,3,5,6 - Texas RE,SERC,RF

Answer

Document Name

Comment

Duke Energy supports this change and agrees that a new standard is the best approach to incorporating the INSM revisions.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

3. Based on industry feedback, the Project 2023-03 DT developed Requirement R1 of CIP-015-1 to address INSM within Responsible Entity's ESP. Do you agree that proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1 is clear to that intent, and do you support this direction? If you do not agree, please provide your recommendation, and if appropriate, technical, or procedural justification.

Ruchi Shah - AES - AES Corporation - 5

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

AES supports EEI comment below

EEI appreciates the drafting team's revision to address INSM within the Responsible Entity's ESP through CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, but suggest the following alternative language to reduce subjective language: "Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) for internal network security monitoring (INSM) of high impact BES Cyber Systems (BCS) and medium impact BCS with External Routable Connectivity (ERC) within the Responsible Entity's ESPs to increase the probability of detecting anomalous or unauthorized network activity. The documented process(es) shall include each of the applicable requirement parts."

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Donna Wood - Tri-State G and T Association, Inc. - 1

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Tri-State agrees with EEI comments below:

"EEI appreciates the drafting team's revision to address INSM within the Responsible Entity's ESP through CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, but suggest the following alternative language to reduce subjective language: "Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) for internal network security monitoring (INSM) of high impact BES Cyber Systems (BCS) and medium impact BCS with External Routable Connectivity (ERC) within the Responsible Entity's ESPs to increase the probability of detecting anomalous or unauthorized network activity. The documented process(es) shall include each of the applicable requirement parts."

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Wendy Kalidass - U.S. Bureau of Reclamation - 5

Answer No

Document Name	
Comment	
Reclamation recommends there be more specific language on what risks should be identified or examples of what network security risks could exist.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Rachel Schuldt - Black Hills Corporation - 6, Group Name Black Hills Corporation - All Segments	
Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	
Black Hills Corporation agrees with EEI's comments: EEI appreciates the drafting team's revision to address INSM within the Responsible Entity's ESP through CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, but suggests the removal of "or unauthorized" from the requirement language to read as follows:	
Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) for internal network security monitoring (INSM) of high impact BES Cyber Systems (BCS) and medium impact BCS with External Routable Connectivity (ERC) within the Responsible Entity's ESPs to increase the probability of detecting anomalous (<i>remove:</i> or unauthorized) network activity. The documented process(es) shall include each of the applicable requirement parts.	
The proposed requirement language suggests that unauthorized network activity is a subset of anomalous network activity, and removal of "or unauthorized" clarifies the intention while meeting the security objective.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Larry Snow - Cogentrix Energy Power Management, LLC - NA - Not Applicable - Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF	
Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	
The current requirement could be read that the network monitoring could be limited to High Impact and Medium Impact BCS. Suggest R1 be rewritten to state that the standard requires monitoring of the network within an ESP to include all systems that are connected therein, whether permanent or temporarily (such as Transient Cyber Asset).	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	

Response	
Mark Garza - FirstEnergy - FirstEnergy Corporation - 4, Group Name FE Voter	
Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	
<p>FirstEnergy believes clear separation of where CIP-005 ends and where CIP-015-1 begins in terms of enforcement would benefit the scope of CIP-015-1.</p> <p>Since 'internal network security monitoring' will not be a defined term and Technical Rationale explanation are not part of the enforceable Requirement, FE asks the Drafting Team to more clearly identify their technical rationale in the standard so as to "help" Responsible Entities define that term for themselves, understanding the baseline knowledge of NERC and its Regional Entities.</p> <p>Finally, FirstEnergy suggest removal of the conjunctive “or unauthorized” in the opening sentence of R1. The use of the term “unauthorized” hints at this should include some sort of authorization process paperchase for every network communication which is impractical and not related to potentially malicious network traffic.</p>	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	
Jennifer Tidwell - Southern Company - Southern Company Services, Inc. - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name Southern Company	
Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	
<p>Southern Company agrees with the feedback by EEI. In addition, Southern has concerns with the phrase “increase the probability of detection” as the stated objective. Southern agrees that such a concept is necessary to prevent R1 from requiring 100% perfection of detection which no tool can guarantee. As this phrase is the core of the requirement's objective and what it is to accomplish, the focus is on an "increase" in probability and thus how your process accomplishes this increase, rather than whether the entity has implemented a process that can meet 1.1 to 1.3. A suggestion is to replace the phrase with “provide the capability of detection” or similar phrasing that is a far more binary judgment to make (did the entity implement a process to provide detection capability to meet all the requirement parts) and still avoids the 100% perfect detection of every anomaly issue. Therefore, if minimal change to R1 is required, we suggest the following (though we have a further suggestion of a more substantive change for consideration in Q4):</p> <p>Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) for internal network security monitoring (INSM) of high impact BES Cyber Systems (BCS) and medium impact BCS with External Routable Connectivity (ERC) within the Responsible Entity’s ESPs to increase the probability provide the capability of detecting anomalous or unauthorized network activity. The documented process(es) shall include each of the applicable requirement parts.</p>	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0

Response

Richard Vendetti - NextEra Energy - 5

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

NEE support's EEI's comment(s): EEI appreciates the drafting team's revision to address INSM within the Responsible Entity's ESP through CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, but suggests the removal of "or unauthorized" from the requirement language to read as follows:

Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) for internal network security monitoring (INSM) of high impact BES Cyber Systems (BCS) and medium impact BCS with External Routable Connectivity (ERC) within the Responsible Entity's ESPs to increase the probability of detecting anomalous or unauthorized network activity. The documented process(es) shall include each of the applicable requirement parts.

The proposed requirement language suggests that unauthorized network activity is a subset of anomalous network activity, and removal of "or unauthorized" clarifies the intention while meeting the security objective.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

David Jendras Sr - Ameren - Ameren Services - 3

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Ameren agrees with and supports EEI comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alan Kloster - Alan Kloster On Behalf of: Jeremy Harris, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Kevin Frick, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Marcus Moor, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Tiffany Lake, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; - Alan Kloster

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Energy supports and incorporates by reference the comments of the Edison Electric Institute (EEI) for question #3.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Tim Kelley - Tim Kelley On Behalf of: Charles Norton, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Fong Mua, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Kevin Smith, Balancing Authority of Northern California, 1; Nicole Looney, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Ryder Couch, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Wei Shao, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; - Tim Kelley, Group Name SMUD and BANC

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

SMUD agrees with the comments submitted by Tacoma Power, and that the suggested language change to R1 is non-substantive and could be made for the final ballot posting.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Sean Bodkin - Dominion - Dominion Resources, Inc. - 6, Group Name Dominion

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Dominion Energy supports EEI comments

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennie Wike - Jennie Wike On Behalf of: Hien Ho, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; John Nierenberg, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; Ozan Ferrin, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; Terry Gifford, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; - Jennie Wike, Group Name Tacoma Power

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Project 2016-02 modified the concept of an EPS to include Zero-Trust architectures, where there is no “inside” or “outside” an ESP, but rather relies on the idea of “protected by an ESP.” Tacoma Power Suggests the following language for CIP-015 R1:

“Implement one or more documented process(es) for internal network security monitoring (INSM) of high impact BES Cyber Systems (BCS) or a medium impact BCS with External Routable Connectivity (ERC), **protected by an ESP**, to increase the probability of detecting anomalous or unauthorized network activity. The documented process(es) shall include each of the applicable requirement parts. [Violation Risk Factor: Medium] [Time Horizon: Same Day Operations and Operations Assessment]”

Tacoma Power thinks the language change to R1 is non-substantive and could be made for the final ballot posting.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Clay Walker - Cleco Corporation - 1,3,5,6 - SERC

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Cleco agrees with EEI comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Dwanique Spiller - Berkshire Hathaway - NV Energy - 5

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

BHE appreciates the drafting team’s revision to address INSM within the Responsible Entity’s ESP through CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, but suggests the removal of “or unauthorized” from the requirement language to read as follows:

Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) for internal network security monitoring (INSM) of high impact BES Cyber Systems (BCS) and medium impact BCS with External Routable Connectivity (ERC) within the Responsible Entity’s ESPs to increase the probability of detecting anomalous or unauthorized network activity. The documented process(es) shall include each of the applicable requirement parts.

The proposed requirement language suggests that unauthorized network activity is a subset of anomalous network activity, and removal of “or unauthorized” clarifies the intention while meeting the security objective.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Glen Farmer - Avista - Avista Corporation - 5

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

EEl appreciates the drafting team’s revision to address INSM within the Responsible Entity’s ESP through CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, but suggests the removal of “or unauthorized” from the requirement language to read as follows:

Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) for internal network security monitoring (INSM) of high impact BES Cyber Systems (BCS) and medium impact BCS with External Routable Connectivity (ERC) within the Responsible Entity’s ESPs to increase the probability of detecting anomalous or unauthorized network activity. The documented process(es) shall include each of the applicable requirement parts.

The proposed requirement language suggests that unauthorized network activity is a subset of anomalous network activity, and removal of “or unauthorized” clarifies the intention while meeting the security objective.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Robert Blackney - Edison International - Southern California Edison Company - 1

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

See comments submitted by the Edison Electric Institute.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alain Mukama - Hydro One Networks, Inc. - 1

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Clarity is required if INMS requirement is also applied to EACMS/PACS/PCA within ESP.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Kinte Whitehead - Exelon - 3**

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Exelon is aliging with the EEI in response to this question.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Daniel Gacek - Exelon - 1**

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Exelon supports the comments submitted by the EEI for this question.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Marcus Sabo - Marcus Sabo On Behalf of: Michael Moltane, International Transmission Company Holdings Corporation, 1; - Marcus Sabo**

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

ITC supports EEI's comments on this project.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Constantin Chitescu - Ontario Power Generation Inc. - 5

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

OPG supports NPCC Regional Standards Committee's comments:

"The current requirement could be read that the network monitoring could be limited to High Impact and Medium Impact BCS. NPCC RSC proposes to rewrite R1 to state that the standard requires monitoring of the network within an ESP."

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Hillary Creurer - Allete - Minnesota Power, Inc. - 1

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Minnesota Power supports EEI's comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Israel Perez - Israel Perez On Behalf of: Mathew Weber, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Sarah Blankenship, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Thomas Johnson, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Timothy Singh, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; - Israel Perez

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

SRP feels that there are no methods to measure compliance as the standard is stated. We ask to provide guidance as to what is required as evidence. Should detection be continuous, or is periodic detection permissible? Also, there is no timeline as to how often detection and evaluation should be performed (In real time? Every 15 minutes? Every 15 months?).

The standard does not make it clear of the word "baseline" is. Perhaps, the "defintion" or the expectation of what the baseline is should be in the measures section. The technical rationale "definition" of a baseline is more clearly defined under Detection Methods "Incoming traffic is then compared to that representation of expected traffic, and this becomes the baseline that incoming traffic is then compared to determine if any traffic is anomalous or not.". However, we did not see any reference to what is in the methods for this wording.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Todd Bennett - Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. - 3, Group Name AECI

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

There is not a definition of "Network" in network security monitoring. While our *understanding* is that this standard is focused on network traffic monitoring, it is not explicit and, therefore, could be interpreted in multiple ways (EDR vs East/West traffic monitoring vs full network traffic monitoring, for example).

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Kristine Martz - Edison Electric Institute - NA - Not Applicable - NA - Not Applicable

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

EI appreciates the drafting team's revision to address INSM within the Responsible Entity's ESP through CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, but suggests the removal of "or unauthorized" from the requirement language to read as follows:

"Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) for internal network security monitoring (INSM) of high impact BES Cyber Systems (BCS) and medium impact BCS with External Routable Connectivity (ERC) within the Responsible Entity's ESPs to increase the probability of **detecting anomalous network activity**. The documented process(es) shall include each of the applicable requirement parts."

The proposed requirement language suggests that unauthorized network activity is a subset of anomalous network activity, and removal of "or unauthorized" clarifies the intention while meeting the security objective.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Lindsay Wickizer - Berkshire Hathaway - PacifiCorp - 6

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

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The proposed requirement language suggests that unauthorized network activity is a subset of anomalous network activity, and removal of “or unauthorized” clarifies the intention while meeting the security objective.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Bret Galbraith - Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc. - 6

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Seminole Agrees with the comments provided by EEI

"EEI appreciates the drafting team’s revision to address INSM within the Responsible Entity’s ESP through CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, but suggest the following alternative language to reduce subjective language: “Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) for internal network security monitoring (INSM) of high impact BES Cyber Systems (BCS) and medium impact BCS with External Routable Connectivity (ERC) within the Responsible Entity’s ESPs to increase the probability of detecting anomalous or unauthorized network activity. The documented process(es) shall include each of the applicable requirement parts.”

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jason Chandler - Con Ed - Consolidated Edison Co. of New York - 6

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Ellese Murphy - Duke Energy - 1,3,5,6 - Texas RE,SERC,RF

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Duke Energy agrees that the parent requirement R1 of CIP-015-1 clearly addresses INSM within a Responsible Entity's ESP.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Michael Johnson - Michael Johnson On Behalf of: Frank Lee, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Marco Rios, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Sandra Ellis, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; - Michael Johnson, Group Name PG&E All Segments

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

PG&E agrees the modifications are clear on the intent and supports the modifications.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Andy Fuhrman - Andy Fuhrman On Behalf of: Theresa Allard, Minnkota Power Cooperative Inc., 1; - Andy Fuhrman

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment	
MPC supports comments submitted by the MRO NERC Standards Review Forum.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Anna Martinson - MRO - 1,2,3,4,5,6 - MRO, Group Name MRO Group	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
MRO NSRF supports this clear direction.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Brian Millard - Tennessee Valley Authority - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name TVA RBB	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Existing monitoring standards are prescriptive to specific locations and event types that are possible to be monitored through traditional log review and automated evaluation. R1 is vague in the specific requirements that must be included in a process. Anomalous network activity is not defined within the standard or the glossary. This is left up to interpretation of the entity and the auditors. In the measures "Architecture documents" is beyond what is required for Electronic Security Perimeter drawings in CIP-005. Request for drawings should be limited to inclusions of elements within required drawings in the standards. The current draft of the standard also only allows for internal IDS types of solutions with detection event capturing and review.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Erik Gustafson - PNM Resources - Public Service Company of New Mexico - 1,3 - WECC,Texas RE	
Answer	Yes

Document Name	
Comment	
PNMR agrees with intent of R1 but suggests changing the language from “to increase the probability of detecting” to “... to detect anomalous or unauthorized network activity”.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Martin Sidor - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Alison Nickells - NiSource - Northern Indiana Public Service Co. - 1,3,5,6	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Patricia Lynch - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Buckman - Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Co. - 3,5,6 - RF

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Tristan Miller - CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC - 1 - Texas RE

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jesus Sammy Alcaraz - Imperial Irrigation District - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

James Keele - Entergy - 3

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Gail Golden - Entergy - Entergy Services, Inc. - 5	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Karen Artola - CPS Energy - 1,3,5 - Texas RE	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Alyssia Rhoads - Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	

Dislikes 0

Response

C. A. Campbell - LS Power Development, LLC - 5

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Cain Braveheart - Bonneville Power Administration - 1,3,5,6 - WECC

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Anton Vu - Los Angeles Department of Water and Power - 6

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Robert Follini - Avista - Avista Corporation - 3

Answer

Yes

Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Andrew Smith - APS - Arizona Public Service Co. - 5	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Monika Montez - California ISO - 2 - WECC, Group Name ISO/RTO Council Standards Review Committee (SRC)	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Roger Perkins - Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	

Response

Kennedy Meier - Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. - 2

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Roger Fradenburgh - Roger Fradenburgh On Behalf of: Nick Lauriat, Network and Security Technologies, 1; - Roger Fradenburgh

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Wayne Sipperly - North American Generator Forum - 5 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Steven Rueckert - Western Electricity Coordinating Council - 10, Group Name WECC CIP

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Jennifer Bray - Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. - 1****Answer**

Yes

Document Name**Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**James Baldwin - James Baldwin On Behalf of: Matt Lewis, Lower Colorado River Authority, 5, 1; - James Baldwin****Answer**

Yes

Document Name**Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Chris Carnesi - Chris Carnesi On Behalf of: Dennis Sismaet, Northern California Power Agency, 4, 6, 3, 5; - Chris Carnesi****Answer**

Yes

Document Name**Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Teresa Krabe - Lower Colorado River Authority - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Adrian Andreoiu - BC Hydro and Power Authority - 1, Group Name BC Hydro

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Amy Wilke - American Transmission Company, LLC - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Mia Wilson - Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (RTO) - 2 - MRO,WECC

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Katrina Lyons - Georgia System Operations Corporation - 4

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Colin Chilcoat - Invenergy LLC - 6

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Marie Potter - Marie Potter On Behalf of: Alison MacKellar, Constellation, 5, 6; Kimberly Turco, Constellation, 5, 6; - Marie Potter

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jodirah Green - ACES Power Marketing - 1,3,4,5,6 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,SERC,RF, Group Name ACES Collaborators

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Rachel Coyne - Texas Reliability Entity, Inc. - 10

Answer

Document Name

Comment

Texas RE appreciates the drafting team's efforts to be responsive to FERC Order No. 887. Texas RE is concerned, however, that the language in Requirement R1 does not lend to consistent application and would be a challenge to audit and enforce. Since the language in Requirement Part 1.1 does not establish a minimal level of acceptable monitoring or establish a maximum level of risk acceptance, an entity could determine that there are no network data collection locations and methods. If there are no network data collection locations and methods identified, Requirement Parts 1.2 and 1.3 would not be relevant.

Texas RE recommends clarifying "network security risk(s)". The SDT could consider including network security risk criteria similar to how CIP-002 includes impact rating criteria or establishing minimum security risks similar to how CIP-007 Requirement R4 requires logging a minimum of certain types of events.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Junji Yamaguchi - Hydro-Quebec (HQ) - 1,5

Answer

Document Name

Comment

The current requirement could be read that the network monitoring could be limited to High Impact and Medium Impact BCS. TFIST proposes to rewrite R1 to state that the standard requires monitoring of the network within an ESP

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

4. Based on industry feedback, the Project 2023-03 DT has drafted proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.1 to allow Registered Entities to identify network data collection location(s) and method(s) by implementing a risk-based approach focused on network security risks. The measures provide high-level guidance to achieving the risk-based approach. Do you agree that proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.1 is clear to that intent? If you do not agree, please provide your recommendation, and if appropriate, technical, or procedural justification.

Bret Galbraith - Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc. - 6

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Seminole agrees with comments from EEI

“EEI agrees that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.1 allows Registered Entities to identify network data collection location(s) and method(s) by implementing a risk-based approach focused on network security risks, but suggests the following non-substantive revisions to the proposed language: “Identify network data collection location(s) and method(s), based on the network security risk(s), to monitor network activity including connection(s), devices, and network communications.” EEI proposes modifications to the draft M1, Part 1.1 measures to: “Architecture documents or other documents detailing data collection location(s) and method(s); or”

Seminole also agrees with Comments from Entergy

“ The requirement verbiage does not appear to be clearly aligned with expectations in the Measures and the Technical Rationale, which leads to audit risk for entities.

The wording of CIP-015-1 R1.1 requires entities to identify their network data collection locations and methods. This appears to provide entities the latitude to identify these points based on risk, but without an expectation of an exceedingly robust methodology and without an expectation to consider all possible network data collection locations. For example, an entity may decide to “collect all traffic from INSM from all ESP switches”, which would typically give large coverage of network traffic, but there may be additional network collection locations possible. However, the Measure (M1) for the requirement identifies an example of compliance evidence as “Documented rationale on how network locations were selected or excluded”, and the Technical Rationale “requires the Registered Entity to identify many possible network data collection locations and then narrow the actual collected data to the data feeds that contain the most cost-effective and relevant data for cybersecurity monitoring purposes.”

If the intent is to require entities to develop a risk-based/ROI methodology to consider all/many network monitoring locations such that an entity cannot justify “collection of traffic from all network switches”, then the requirement should be updated to explicitly identify that expectation to start with a list of all/many locations and apply well defined risk-criteria and ROI criteria against that list to arrive at the final locations subject to the program, and all permutations of that list and criteria are subject to evidentiary review.”

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Lindsay Wickizer - Berkshire Hathaway - PacifiCorp - 6

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

BHE appreciates the drafting team's revision to address INSM within the Responsible Entity's ESP through CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, but suggests the removal of "or unauthorized" from the requirement language to read as follows:

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The proposed requirement language suggests that unauthorized network activity is a subset of anomalous network activity, and removal of "or unauthorized" clarifies the intention while meeting the security objective.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Kristine Martz - Edison Electric Institute - NA - Not Applicable - NA - Not Applicable

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

EEl requests the following revisions to the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.1 language:

"Identify network data collection **point(s)** based on the network security **threat(s) and technical capabilities identified by the Responsible Entity**, to monitor network activity including connection(s), devices, and network communications."

These proposed revisions seek to clarify and offer additional flexibility for scenarios and environments where there are limitations on network connectivity and/or available bandwidth due to operational concerns that impact the entity's implementation of INSM.

We also request the addition of examples and possible approaches to the implementation of INSM in environments where there are limitations on network connectivity and/or available bandwidth within the Technical Rationale and/or other appropriate supporting documentation.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Todd Bennett - Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. - 3, Group Name AECI

Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	
M1 1.1 - The term "documented rationale" is very open and can be a place where professional opinions may differ. A registered entity may have one an effective approach to monitoring but an auditor may have a differing opinion. While flexibility has it's pro's and con's, some entities may prefer to have a little more specificity of what's needed to guide both the entity and regional entity audit staff.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Israel Perez - Israel Perez On Behalf of: Mathew Weber, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Sarah Blankenship, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Thomas Johnson, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Timothy Singh, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; - Israel Perez	
Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	
No objectives to measure compliance have been provided. Self proclaimed compliance would not be auditable (based on RE perception, rather than auditors). It is very vague, there is no measurement to consider what is acceptable. The entity can say I am always in compliance. There is no clear definition on how and how long to save off the data. Also, how to obtain the level of monitoring in the requirement is vague. This will be subjective vs objective. In addition, R1 1.1 states to identify location "based on the network security risk(s)" but does not attempt to quantify specific risk or suggest which level of risk they're seeking to address. While entities can determine their own level of acceptable risk, this could lead to a wide range of outcomes.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Hillary Creurer - Allele - Minnesota Power, Inc. - 1	
Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	
Minnesota Power supports EEI's comments.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	

Response

Constantin Chitescu - Ontario Power Generation Inc. - 5

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

OPG supports NPCC Regional Standards Committee's comments:

"The current R1.1 requirements could be interpreted that a "Network Security Risk" evaluation or assessment could be required under the standard. NPCC RSC suggest removing "Network Security Risk" or stating that INSM should be for monitored of the entire network per technical capability or assess "Network Security Risk" for monitoring in a sub requirement(s). If a risk assessment is required, it should be stated in the standard clearly."

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Marcus Sabo - Marcus Sabo On Behalf of: Michael Moltane, International Transmission Company Holdings Corporation, 1; - Marcus Sabo

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

ITC supports EEI's comments on this project.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Daniel Gacek - Exelon - 1

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Exelon supports the comments submitted by the EEI for this question.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Kinte Whitehead - Exelon - 3

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Exelon is aliging with the EEI in response to this question.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Robert Blackney - Edison International - Southern California Edison Company - 1

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

See comments submitted by the Edison Electric Institute.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Glen Farmer - Avista - Avista Corporation - 5

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

EEI requests the following revisions to the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.1 language:

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Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Adrian Andreoiu - BC Hydro and Power Authority - 1, Group Name BC Hydro

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

BC Hydro appreciates the drafting team efforts and the opportunity to comment.

The use of the 'risk-based' language in CIP-015 R1.1 is leaving it to the discretion of entities to determine which component poses higher or lower risks. This will leave it open to the auditor's interpretation and expectation instead of ensuring the scope is concise and clear under this requirement. BC Hydro recommends to define the parameters of these 'risks' to give clear direction to entities or specify the network components on which this requirement R1.1 applies.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Dwanique Spiller - Berkshire Hathaway - NV Energy - 5

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

BHE requests the following revisions to the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.1 language:

“Identify network data collection location(s) **point(s)** and method(s), based on the network security risk(s) **identified by the Responsible Entity**, to monitor network activity including connection(s), devices, and network communications.”

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Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Clay Walker - Cleco Corporation - 1,3,5,6 - SERC

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Cleco agrees with EEI comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Sean Bodkin - Dominion - Dominion Resources, Inc. - 6, Group Name Dominion

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Dominion Energy supports EEI comments

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Roger Fradenburgh - Roger Fradenburgh On Behalf of: Nick Lauriat, Network and Security Technologies, 1; - Roger Fradenburgh

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

NST appreciates that the SDT has tried to avoid being overly prescriptive. However, we believe that instructing Entities to use a "risk-based approach" to designing and implementing INSM could result in endless arguments among Responsible Entities, Regions, and NERC over what might be

considered acceptable risk-based approaches. We are even more concerned about the proposed criteria for Severe VSL for R1 ("The Responsible Entity did not identify network data collection locations and methods that provide value,..."). What is "provide value" intended to mean, and who would have the final say on whether a given Entity's INSM implementation was capable of doing so?

NST recommends revising R1 Part 1.1 to simply state, "Identify network data collection locations and methods used to monitor network activity including connections, devices, and network communications."

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Kennedy Meier - Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. - 2

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

ERCOT joins the comments submitted by the ISO/RTO Council (IRC) Standards Review Committee (SRC) and adopts them as its own.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

David Jendras Sr - Ameren - Ameren Services - 3

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Ameren agrees with and supports EEI comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Monika Montez - California ISO - 2 - WECC, Group Name ISO/RTO Council Standards Review Committee (SRC)

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

The ISO/RTO Council (IRC) Standards Review Committee (SRC) is concerned that the Standard does not address scenarios in which no technical solution is available to achieve what the Standard requires, such as when an entity's environment includes devices that use non-standard communication protocols. The SRC recommends that the standard be revised to address these types of scenarios, such as by allowing entities to apply for a Technical Feasibility Exception if circumstances warrant.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Richard Vendetti - NextEra Energy - 5

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

NEE is not in agreement with EEI's comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Andrew Smith - APS - Arizona Public Service Co. - 5

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

AZPS agrees with EEI proposed revision to CIP-015-1 R1, Part 1.1:

"Identify network data collection location(s) **point(s)** and method(s), based on the network security **threat(s)** risk(s) **and technical capabilities identified by the Responsible Entity**, to monitor network activity including connection(s), devices, and network communications."

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Tidwell - Southern Company - Southern Company Services, Inc. - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name Southern Company

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Southern agrees with and greatly appreciates the discussion in the TR on Part 1.1 and the degree of flexibility described there to “narrow the focus to collect the data that provides the highest benefit” and “narrow the actual collected data to the data feeds that contain the most cost-effective and relevant data”. However, Southern suggests that R1 as worded implies a scope of 100% coverage of every subnet within in-scope ESPs. It is not until an example under the R1.1 measures that it mentions the potential exclusion of any network locations and the documentation of such.

The TR states many different aspects to consider in choosing monitoring locations (value, benefit, cost-effectiveness, relevance, etc.) but R1.1 limits it to only network security risks. There is concern with the implication of “do all, but explain where you don’t” that this could require the documentation of network security risks for each IP subnet and “prove the negative” type evidence. As page 4 of the TR states network data collection location refers to both physical and logical networks, so there is concern with the large proliferation of logical networks with containerization (what used to be API calls are being replaced with virtual networks and IP addresses assigned to containers). Zero Trust principles and containerization call for ever more micro-segmentation and creation of virtual networks down to this level between components of an application in a single system. As an example, documented reasons of why an entity did not monitor every internal virtual network generated by Docker between two components of a single application within a single Cyber Asset one could argue are of little value, but it seems would be necessary.

For all these reasons, we suggest a concept of a positive “identify where you do” rather than a sense of “explaining and documenting where you don’t”. The value of where to monitor is going to be based on the system’s architecture, especially in large, multi-layered, distributed systems. On the other end of the spectrum is a site that may have a router with an ACL on an ethernet port to an RTU, which is then connected serially to several relays. Monitoring that 2 node, single ethernet cable “internal network” ESP may be of no value as all traffic can be monitored on the other end of the circuit, and it is unclear whether the entity is compliant if they do so.

Southern suggests a concept for R1 and 1.1 such as:

R1. Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) for Internal Network Security Monitoring (INSM) that includes:

R1.1 Identification of network data collection points by the Responsible Entity for its high impact BES Cyber Systems and medium impact BES Cyber Systems with External Routable Connectivity (ERC).

We suggest that this covers monitoring the in-scope systems, but leaves flexibility on where such monitoring occurs on its networks and doesn’t imply “prove the negative” for every physical/virtual subnet that is not tapped and monitored.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Robert Follini - Avista - Avista Corporation - 3

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Avista agrees with comments by EEI (words in italics are requested to be struck)

EEI requests the following revisions to the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.1 language:

“Identify network data collection *location(s)* **point(s)** and *method(s)*, based on the network security **threat(s)** *risk(s)* and **technical capabilities identified by the Responsible Entity**, to monitor network activity including connection(s), devices, and network communications.”

These proposed revisions seek to clarify and offer additional flexibility for scenarios and environments where there are limitations on network connectivity and/or available bandwidth due to operational concerns that impact the entity’s implementation of INSM.

We also request the addition of examples and possible approaches to the implementation of INSM in environments where there are limitations on network connectivity and/or available bandwidth within the Technical Rationale and/or other appropriate supporting documentation.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Anton Vu - Los Angeles Department of Water and Power - 6

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

*“**R1.1** Identify network data collection locations and methods, **based on the network security risk(s)**, to monitor network activity including connections, devices, and network communications.”*

The bolded part (“based on the network security risk(s)”) is not clear and can be open to interpretation of what is required. Therefore, it is recommended to require identification of the specific data collection locations and methods based on an entity’s own experience and system needs.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Cain Braveheart - Bonneville Power Administration - 1,3,5,6 - WECC

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

The “risk-based” language leaves it open for auditor interpretation. Meaning, auditors can determine that an entity did not apply the appropriate “risk-based” approach for their network security. BPA believes some level of deference must be offered to an entity’s risk management approach. Or, create auditor guidance on what a risk-based approach looks like with regards to INSM.

BPA reiterates its comments from the previous comment period regarding ‘risk-based approach’:

"BPA recognizes and appreciates the SDT’s effort to allow Registered Entities (RE) to make their own risk-based determinations. BPA recommends that the current requirement language needs further refinement to clarify the intent. Ambiguity opens REs to subjective criticism from auditors... BPA

suggests that R1.1 be rewritten to more clearly specify the requirement, such as “Use a risk-based assessment methodology to identify network data collection locations and methods...” Language used elsewhere in the CIP Standards, such as “as determined by the Registered Entity”, could strengthen the position that the REs are empowered to set their own risk acceptance strategy, risk mitigation, etc.”

BPA also asks the DT to clarify the term “locations” in the requirement, adding context currently only found in the Technical Rationale.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Larry Snow - Cogentrix Energy Power Management, LLC - NA - Not Applicable - Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

The current R1.1 requirements could be interpreted that a “Network Security Risk” evaluation or assessment could be required under the standard. Cogentrix suggests removing “Network Security Risk” or stating that INSM should be for monitoring of the entire network per technical capability or assess “Network Security Risk” for monitoring in a sub requirement(s). If a risk assessment is required, it should be stated clearly in the standard. Furthermore, greater specificity should be offered for what ‘network activity’ entails. For connections, monitored activity should include who, when, why, and how long; network communications should include type, port, bi-direction or unilateral, etc.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Gail Golden - Entergy - Entergy Services, Inc. - 5

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

The requirement verbiage does not appear to be clearly aligned with expectations in the Measures and the Technical Rationale, which leads to audit risk for entities.

The wording of CIP-015-1 R1.1 requires entities to identify their network data collection locations and methods. This appears to provide entities the latitude to identify these points based on risk, but without an expectation of an exceedingly robust methodology and without an expectation to consider **all** possible network data collection locations. For example, an entity may decide to “collect all traffic from INSM from all ESP switches”, which would typically give large coverage of network traffic, but there may be additional network collection locations possible. However, the Measure (M1) for the requirement identifies an example of compliance evidence as “Documented rationale on how network locations were selected or excluded”, and the Technical Rationale “requires the Registered Entity to identify many possible network data collection locations and then narrow the actual collected data to the data feeds that contain the most cost-effective and relevant data for cybersecurity monitoring purposes.”

If the intent is to require entities to develop a risk-based/ROI methodology to consider all/many network monitoring locations such that an entity cannot justify "collection of traffic from all network switches", then the requirement should be updated to explicitly identify that expectation to start with a list of all/many locations and apply well defined risk-criteria and ROI criteria against that list to arrive at the final locations subject to the program, and all permutations of that list and criteria are subject to evidentiary review.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Rachel Schuld - Black Hills Corporation - 6, Group Name Black Hills Corporation - All Segments

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Black Hills Corporation agrees with EEI's comments: EEI requests the following revisions to the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.1 language:

"Identify network data collection (*remove*: location(s)) **point(s)** (*remove*: and method(s)), based on the network security **threat(s)** (*remove*: risk(s)) **and technical capabilities identified by the Responsible Entity**, to monitor network activity including connection(s), devices, and network communications."

These proposed revisions seek to clarify and offer additional flexibility for scenarios and environments where there are limitations on network connectivity and/or available bandwidth due to operational concerns that impact the entity's implementation of INSM.

We also request the addition of examples and possible approaches to the implementation of INSM in environments where there are limitations on network connectivity and/or available bandwidth within the Technical Rationale and/or other appropriate supporting documentation.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Wendy Kalidass - U.S. Bureau of Reclamation - 5

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Reclamation recommends there be more specific language on what risks should be identified or examples of what network security risks could exist.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Ellese Murphy - Duke Energy - 1,3,5,6 - Texas RE,SERC,RF

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Duke Energy recommends the use of the word "points" instead of "locations" in R1.1.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Ruchi Shah - AES - AES Corporation - 5

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

AES Support EEI comment below

EEI agrees that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.1 allows Registered Entities to identify network data collection location(s) and method(s) by implementing a risk-based approach focused on network security risks, but suggests the following non-substantive revisions to the proposed language: "Identify network data collection location(s) and method(s), based on the network security risk(s), to monitor network activity including connection(s), devices, and network communications." EEI proposes modifications to the draft M1, Part 1.1 measures to: "Architecture documents or other documents detailing data collection location(s) and method(s); or"

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jason Chandler - Con Ed - Consolidated Edison Co. of New York - 6

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jodirah Green - ACES Power Marketing - 1,3,4,5,6 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,SERC,RF, Group Name ACES Collaborators

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

While ACES agrees with the proposed language, in the past and near future, risk-based approaches NERC/FERC have not been happy with. Some good, Examples are CIP-002-3, CIP-014-1, CIP-013-1. With the above question #2 which contains “and allow for future expansion if necessary”, makes it appear that this proposed standard will be subject to change sooner than later, especially based on the changes proposed for CIP-014 and surely CIP-013-2 is next.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Colin Chilcoat - Invenergy LLC - 6

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

While Requirement R1, Part 1.1 is clear in intent, it must be supported by guidance on acceptable methods of monitoring network activity. For example, is monitoring activity at endpoints acceptable, or is dedicated monitoring equipment required? If a zero-trust strategy is implemented, can monitoring attempts to establish connections outside of the zero-trust architecture satisfy this requirement, or is a more traditional network intrusion detection solution required? It may not be practical to address such questions in the standard, but guidance documents that include technology options must reflect and support the intentions of the SDT.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Katrina Lyons - Georgia System Operations Corporation - 4

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Georgia System Operations Corporation supports ACES comments: "While ACES agrees with the proposed language, in the past and near future, risk-based approaches NERC/FERC have not been happy with. Some good, Examples are CIP-002-3, CIP-014-1, CIP-013-1. With the above question #2 which contains 'and allow for future expansion if necessary', makes it appear that this proposed standard will be subject to change sooner than later, especially based on the changes proposed for CIP-014 and surely CIP-013-2 is next."

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Mia Wilson - Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (RTO) - 2 - MRO,WECC

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

SPP respectfully asks the SDT to consider a "per system capability" clause due to potential technology limitations for entities (current and future technologies).

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Roger Perkins - Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative - 1

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

SMECO agrees with ACES comments:

While ACES agrees with the proposed language, in the past and near future, risk-based approaches NERC/FERC have not been happy with. Some good, Examples are CIP-002-3, CIP-014-1, CIP-013-1. With the above question #2 which contains "and allow for future expansion if necessary", makes it appear that this proposed standard will be subject to change sooner than later, especially based on the changes proposed for CIP-014 and surely CIP-013-2 is next.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Brian Millard - Tennessee Valley Authority - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name TVA RBB

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
<p>CIP-015 R1.1 goes beyond the requirements in CIP-007. If we are logging events at a BES system level per the Cyber Asset capability then the network locations are already identified at the layer 2 and layer 3 devices within the scope of the existing cybersecurity monitoring program. By not updating existing monitoring standards the new standards are introducing additional complications to demonstrating how the monitoring program works overall. The statement based on network security risk(s) is vague on what risk should be evaluated or included in the assessment.</p>	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	
Mark Garza - FirstEnergy - FirstEnergy Corporation - 4, Group Name FE Voter	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
No additional comments	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	
Michael Johnson - Michael Johnson On Behalf of: Frank Lee, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Marco Rios, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Sandra Ellis, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; - Michael Johnson, Group Name PG&E All Segments	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
PG&E agrees the modifications are clear on the intent.	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	
Marie Potter - Marie Potter On Behalf of: Alison MacKellar, Constellation, 5, 6; Kimberly Turco, Constellation, 5, 6; - Marie Potter	

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Alain Mukama - Hydro One Networks, Inc. - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Amy Wilke - American Transmission Company, LLC - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Teresa Krabe - Lower Colorado River Authority - 5	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	

Dislikes 0

Response

Chris Carnesi - Chris Carnesi On Behalf of: Dennis Sismaet, Northern California Power Agency, 4, 6, 3, 5; - Chris Carnesi

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

James Baldwin - James Baldwin On Behalf of: Matt Lewis, Lower Colorado River Authority, 5, 1; - James Baldwin

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennie Wike - Jennie Wike On Behalf of: Hien Ho, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; John Nierenberg, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; Ozan Ferrin, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; Terry Gifford, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; - Jennie Wike, Group Name Tacoma Power

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Tim Kelley - Tim Kelley On Behalf of: Charles Norton, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Fong Mua, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Kevin Smith, Balancing Authority of Northern California, 1; Nicole Looney, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Ryder Couch, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Wei Shao, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; - Tim Kelley, Group Name SMUD and BANC

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Bray - Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. - 1

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Steven Rueckert - Western Electricity Coordinating Council - 10, Group Name WECC CIP

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Wayne Sipperly - North American Generator Forum - 5 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Alan Kloster - Alan Kloster On Behalf of: Jeremy Harris, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Kevin Frick, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Marcus Moor, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Tiffany Lake, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; - Alan Kloster	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Erik Gustafson - PNM Resources - Public Service Company of New Mexico - 1,3 - WECC,Texas RE	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
C. A. Campbell - LS Power Development, LLC - 5	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	

Response

Anna Martinson - MRO - 1,2,3,4,5,6 - MRO, Group Name MRO Group

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alyssia Rhoads - Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Karen Artola - CPS Energy - 1,3,5 - Texas RE

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Andy Fuhrman - Andy Fuhrman On Behalf of: Theresa Allard, Minnkota Power Cooperative Inc., 1; - Andy Fuhrman

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Jesus Sammy Alcaraz - Imperial Irrigation District - 1****Answer**

Yes

Document Name**Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Donna Wood - Tri-State G and T Association, Inc. - 1****Answer**

Yes

Document Name**Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Tristan Miller - CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC - 1 - Texas RE****Answer**

Yes

Document Name**Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Buckman - Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Co. - 3,5,6 - RF

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Patricia Lynch - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alison Nickells - NiSource - Northern Indiana Public Service Co. - 1,3,5,6

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Martin Sidor - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Junji Yamaguchi - Hydro-Quebec (HQ) - 1,5

Answer

Document Name

Comment

The current R1.1 requirements could be interpreted that a "Network Security Risk" evaluation or assessment could be required under the standard. TFIST suggest removing "Network Security Risk" or stating that INSM should be for monitored of the entire network per technical capability or assess "Network Security Risk" for monitoring in a sub requirement(s). If a risk assessment is required, it should be stated in the standard clearly.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Rachel Coyne - Texas Reliability Entity, Inc. - 10

Answer

Document Name

Comment

Texas RE is concerned the enforceable language of the requirement does not specify that the Responsible Entity is required to document the rational/justification for inclusion or exclusion of data collection location(s) and method(s) based on a risk-based approach in determining what data is necessary to monitor network activity. The SDT should consider requiring entities to justify the parameters they have developed to meet the requirement.

The SAR for this project states, "Second, any new or modified CIP Reliability Standards should address the need for responsible entities to monitor for and detect unauthorized activity, connections, devices, network communications, and software inside the CIP-networked environment." Texas RE noticed that software inside the CIP-networked environment is omitted from the requirement language. If the SDT intentionally omitted this language, then no change is needed. If the SDT did not intend to omit the language, Texas RE recommends including software in the requirement language.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

James Keele - Entergy - 3

Answer

Document Name

Comment

The requirement verbiage does not appear to be clearly aligned with expectations in the Measures and the Technical Rationale, which leads to audit risk for entities.

The wording of CIP-015-1 R1.1 requires entities to identify their network data collection locations and methods. This appears to provide entities the latitude to identify these points based on risk, but without an expectation of an exceedingly robust methodology and without an expectation to consider **all** possible network data collection locations. For example, an entity may decide to “collect all traffic from INSM from all ESP switches”, which would typically give large coverage of network traffic, but there may be additional network collection locations possible. However, the Measure (M1) for the requirement identifies an example of compliance evidence as “Documented rationale on how network locations were selected or excluded”, and the Technical Rationale “requires the Registered Entity to identify many possible network data collection locations and then narrow the actual collected data to the data feeds that contain the most cost-effective and relevant data for cybersecurity monitoring purposes.”

If the intent is to require entities to develop a risk-based/ROI methodology to consider all/many network monitoring locations such that an entity cannot justify “collection of traffic from all network switches”, then the requirement should be updated to explicitly identify that expectation to start with a list of all/many locations and apply well defined risk-criteria and ROI criteria against that list to arrive at the final locations subject to the program, and all permutations of that list and criteria are subject to evidentiary review.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

5, Based on industry feedback, the Project 2023-03 DT has drafted proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.2, which consolidated two requirement parts from the previous Draft to CIP-007-X, to have flexibility in approaches to identify anomalous activity without prescribing that a baseline be developed. The use of the baseline is referenced in the measures as a method to demonstrate a method to meet the requirement part. Do you agree that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.2 is clear to that intent? If you do not agree, please provide your recommendation, and if appropriate, technical, or procedural justification.

Ruchi Shah - AES - AES Corporation - 5

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

AEs Supports EEI comment below

EEI appreciates the revisions made by the SDT to enable flexibility in approaches to identify anomalous activity without prescribing that a baseline be developed. The description of of the term “baseline” in the draft Technical Rationale clarifies the intention of Requirement R1, Part 1.2. Page 10 of the draft Technical Rationale explains that “[m]any vendors use the term “anomaly detection” to refer to specific technology and algorithms used by their software to develop a representation of the normal, expected network traffic seen in the Responsible Entity’s collected traffic. Incoming traffic is then compared to that representation of expected traffic, and this becomes the baseline that incoming traffic is then compared to determine if any traffic is anomalous or not.”

As described in the response to question 3, R1 uses the terminology “anomalous or unauthorized network activity” but Requirement Part 1.2 uses the term “anomalous network activity” and Part 1.3 uses the term “activity detected” with a reference back to Part 1.2. Suggest aligning this language to clarify intention and scope.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Donna Wood - Tri-State G and T Association, Inc. - 1

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Tri-State agrees with EEI comments below:

"The description of of the term “baseline” in the draft Technical Rationale clarifies the intention of Requirement R1, Part 1.2. Page 10 of the draft Technical Rationale explains that “[m]any vendors use the term “anomaly detection” to refer to specific technology and algorithms used by their software to develop a representation of the normal, expected network traffic seen in the Responsible Entity’s collected traffic. Incoming traffic is then compared to that representation of expected traffic, and this becomes the baseline that incoming traffic is then compared to determine if any traffic is anomalous or not.”

"As described in the response to question 3, R1 uses the terminology "anomalous or unauthorized network activity" but Requirement Part 1.2 uses the term "anomalous network activity" and Part 1.3 uses the term "activity detected" with a reference back to Part 1.2. Suggest aligning this language to clarify intention and scope."

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

James Keele - Entergy - 3

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

If the term "anomalous" is to remain undefined by NERC, then the requirement should include language directing the entity to define the anomalous activity they are monitoring. For example, language similar to the CIP-008 R1.2.1 requirement that directs entities to "include criteria to evaluate and define attempts to compromise". If entities are allowed the latitude to define criteria for anomalous events to report to in CIP-008, they should be afforded that opportunity for anomalous events in this standard. The Technical Rationale does provide additional detail regarding "anomalous" and the types of tools/methods that can help meet this standard, but without a clear definition of expectations from NERC, or the explicit ability for entities to define their "anomalous" criteria and monitoring program, compliance evaluation ambiguity still exists for entities both internally and externally.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Gail Golden - Entergy - Entergy Services, Inc. - 5

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

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Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Larry Snow - Cogentrix Energy Power Management, LLC - NA - Not Applicable - Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

The implementation of the INSM (1.2 and 1.3) should be a separate requirement. The standard should explicitly say a baseline is required or not required. The standards are ambiguous on if a baseline is required in its current version. However, It is clear that detection of anomalous activity has to be referenced to some standard/metric so it would appear that a baseline would be required, and as such should be stated explicitly.

Further, this approach appears inconsistent with existing requirements in CIP-007, R4, which calls for generation of alerts for security events. Should not this capability exist for ISNM as well that could then be evaluated in R1.3?

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Roger Fradenburgh - Roger Fradenburgh On Behalf of: Nick Lauriat, Network and Security Technologies, 1; - Roger Fradenburgh

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

NST disagrees with the SDT's decision to demote network baselining from a Requirement to a Measure, which is essentially nothing more than a suggestion, for two reasons:

> FERC Order 887 Paragraph 5 states explicitly, "First, any new or modified CIP Reliability Standards should address the need for responsible entities to develop baselines of their network traffic inside their CIP-networked environment."

> We are hard-pressed to imagine how anyone using INSM could detect anomalous network behavior without a baseline. To that point, Order 887 Paragraph 12 states, "Establishing baseline network traffic allows entities to define what is and is not normal and expected network activity and determine whether observed anomalous activity warrants further investigation."

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennie Wike - Jennie Wike On Behalf of: Hien Ho, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; John Nierenberg, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; Ozan Ferrin, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; Terry Gifford, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; - Jennie Wike, Group Name Tacoma Power

Answer No

Document Name	
Comment	
Tacoma Power supports the EEI comments for consistency of language on what to detect (i.e. anomalous or unauthorized). Tacoma Power thinks the language change to Part 1.2 is non-substantive and could be made for the final ballot posting.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Constantin Chitescu - Ontario Power Generation Inc. - 5	
Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	
OPG supports NPCC Regional Standards Committee's comments:	
"The implementation of the INSM (1.2 and 1.3) should be a separate requirement. The standard should explicitly say a baseline is required or not required. The standards are ambiguous on if a baseline is required in its current version."	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Colin Chilcoat - Invenergy LLC - 6	
Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	
Part 1.2 refers to "data collected at locations identified in Part 1.1," but it seems that depending on the method used to collect and identify anomalous information, the data collection location may not be relevant. Suggested language: "Implement one or more method(s) to detect anomalous network activity using the data collected pursuant to Part 1.1."	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	

Israel Perez - Israel Perez On Behalf of: Mathew Weber, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Sarah Blankenship, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Thomas Johnson, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Timothy Singh, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; - Israel Perez

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

This would require knowledge of previous context and in order to be compliant, it appears that a baseline would be required to compare network activity to detect "anomalous" activity. SRP strongly feels that it should be stated specifically in the standard. Also, as previously stated, the requirement is still not clear of the word "baseline" and perhaps a definition or explanation should be included in the measurements section. SRP also suggest that in the Methods it includes what the Technical rational has defined as a "baseline" as the word "baseline" is still confusing since the baseline is also used in CIP-010 R1.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Bret Galbraith - Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc. - 6

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Seminole supports the comments from EEI

"The description of the term "baseline" in the draft Technical Rationale clarifies the intention of Requirement R1, Part 1.2. Page 10 of the draft Technical Rationale explains that "[m]any vendors use the term "anomaly detection" to refer to specific technology and algorithms used by their software to develop a representation of the normal, expected network traffic seen in the Responsible Entity's collected traffic. Incoming traffic is then compared to that representation of expected traffic, and this becomes the baseline that incoming traffic is then compared to determine if any traffic is anomalous or not."

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Ellese Murphy - Duke Energy - 1,3,5,6 - Texas RE,SERC,RF

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Duke Energy agrees that Part 1.2 is clear and an objective-based approach that requires one of more methods to detect anomalous network activity without the prescriptive requirement of a baseline.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Michael Johnson - Michael Johnson On Behalf of: Frank Lee, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Marco Rios, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Sandra Ellis, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; - Michael Johnson, Group Name PG&E All Segments

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

PG&E agrees the modifications are clear on the intent.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Rachel Schuldt - Black Hills Corporation - 6, Group Name Black Hills Corporation - All Segments

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Black Hills Corporation agrees with EEI's comments: EEI agrees with the revisions made by the SDT to enable flexibility in approaches to identify anomalous activity without prescribing that a baseline be developed.

The description of the term "baseline" in the draft Technical Rationale clarifies the intention of Requirement R1, Part 1.2. Page 10 of the draft Technical Rationale explains that "[m]any vendors use the term "anomaly detection" to refer to specific technology and algorithms used by their software to develop a representation of the normal, expected network traffic seen in the Responsible Entity's collected traffic. Incoming traffic is then compared to that representation of expected traffic, and this becomes the baseline that incoming traffic is then compared to determine if any traffic is anomalous or not."

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Andy Fuhrman - Andy Fuhrman On Behalf of: Theresa Allard, Minnkota Power Cooperative Inc., 1; - Andy Fuhrman

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
MPC supports comments submitted by the MRO NERC Standards Review Forum.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Anna Martinson - MRO - 1,2,3,4,5,6 - MRO, Group Name MRO Group	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
MRO NSRF appreciates and endorses this approach, which is clear in its intent. However, there is a concern that the phrase “detecting anomalous or unauthorized network activity” in R1 does not align well with Parts 1.2 and 1.3. We recommend striking “or unauthorized” in R1 to better align with the rest of the standard. As unauthorized network activity would also be anomalous, nothing would be lost with its omission.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Cain Braveheart - Bonneville Power Administration - 1,3,5,6 - WECC	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
BPA endorses removing "baseline" language from the requirement.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Mark Garza - FirstEnergy - FirstEnergy Corporation - 4, Group Name FE Voter	
Answer	Yes

Document Name	
Comment	
No additional comments	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Jennifer Tidwell - Southern Company - Southern Company Services, Inc. - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name Southern Company	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Southern agrees with the feedback by EEI. In addition, we do note the wording in the 1.2 requirement part is "anomalous", but the measure switches to "unauthorized". Per our comment on R1, we would suggest this be changed in the measure to match the requirement. A baseline of normal traffic could be used to show what is anomalous but would not determine what is unauthorized.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Brian Millard - Tennessee Valley Authority - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name TVA RBB	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Including measures referencing documentation of a network baseline not included in the standard does not make it an obligation of the requirement. Suggest remove from the measures. Instead, suggest the standard list specific events that an entity should be looking for as a minimum requirement.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Erik Gustafson - PNM Resources - Public Service Company of New Mexico - 1,3 - WECC,Texas RE	
Answer	Yes

Document Name	
Comment	
PNMR agrees with the SDT to remove the term “baseline” from the requirement language. It does, however, believe that the term “baseline” in the Technical Rationale should be replaced with “expected network behavior”.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Richard Vendetti - NextEra Energy - 5	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
NEE support’s EEI’s comment(s): EEI agrees with the revisions made by the SDT to enable flexibility in approaches to identify anomalous activity without prescribing that a baseline be developed.	
The description of the term “baseline” in the draft Technical Rationale clarifies the intention of Requirement R1, Part 1.2. Page 10 of the draft Technical Rationale explains that “[m]any vendors use the term “anomaly detection” to refer to specific technology and algorithms used by their software to develop a representation of the normal, expected network traffic seen in the Responsible Entity’s collected traffic. Incoming traffic is then compared to that representation of expected traffic, and this becomes the baseline that incoming traffic is then compared to determine if any traffic is anomalous or not.”	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
David Jendras Sr - Ameren - Ameren Services - 3	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Ameren agrees with and supports EEI comments.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	

Clay Walker - Cleco Corporation - 1,3,5,6 - SERC

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Cleco agrees with EEI comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Dwanique Spiller - Berkshire Hathaway - NV Energy - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

BHE agrees with the revisions made by the SDT to enable flexibility in approaches to identify anomalous activity without prescribing that a baseline be developed.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Glen Farmer - Avista - Avista Corporation - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

EEI agrees with the revisions made by the SDT to enable flexibility in approaches to identify anomalous activity without prescribing that a baseline be developed.

The description of the term “baseline” in the draft Technical Rationale clarifies the intention of Requirement R1, Part 1.2. Page 10 of the draft Technical Rationale explains that “[m]any vendors use the term “anomaly detection” to refer to specific technology and algorithms used by their software to develop a representation of the normal, expected network traffic seen in the Responsible Entity’s collected traffic. Incoming traffic is then compared to that representation of expected traffic, and this becomes the baseline that incoming traffic is then compared to determine if any traffic is anomalous or not.”

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Robert Blackney - Edison International - Southern California Edison Company - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

See comments submitted by the Edison Electric Institute.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Kinte Whitehead - Exelon - 3

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Exelon is aliging with the EEI in response to this question.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Daniel Gacek - Exelon - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Exelon supports the comments submitted by the EEI for this question.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response	
Marcus Sabo - Marcus Sabo On Behalf of: Michael Moltane, International Transmission Company Holdings Corporation, 1; - Marcus Sabo	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
ITC supports EEI's comments on this project.	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	
Hillary Creurer - Allete - Minnesota Power, Inc. - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Minnesota Power supports EEI's comments.	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	
Todd Bennett - Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. - 3, Group Name AECI	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
M1 1.2 -The phrase "Documentation of baseline used" does not adequately capture how these tools work. Some entities configure settings of these tools to only alert on exceptions to a baseline, but it's not like the software baseline that is easily discernable. Explicit baselines may be problematic since the tools are typically based on learning to detect anomalies, though feels our approach would be to provide the configuration settings used for the monitoring tool. This is more of a compliance concern as some entities may leverage other options to demonstrate compliance than a baseline.	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0

Response	
Kristine Martz - Edison Electric Institute - NA - Not Applicable - NA - Not Applicable	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
<p>EEl agrees with the revisions made by the SDT to enable flexibility in approaches to identify anomalous activity without prescribing that a baseline be developed.</p> <p>The description of the term “baseline” in the draft Technical Rationale clarifies the intention of Requirement R1, Part 1.2. Page 10 of the draft Technical Rationale explains that “[m]any vendors use the term “anomaly detection” to refer to specific technology and algorithms used by their software to develop a representation of the normal, expected network traffic seen in the Responsible Entity’s collected traffic. Incoming traffic is then compared to that representation of expected traffic, and this becomes the baseline that incoming traffic is then compared to determine if any traffic is anomalous or not.”</p>	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	
Lindsay Wickizer - Berkshire Hathaway - PacifiCorp - 6	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
<p>BHE agrees with the revisions made by the SDT to enable flexibility in approaches to identify anomalous activity without prescribing that a baseline be developed.</p>	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	
Martin Sidor - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alison Nickells - NiSource - Northern Indiana Public Service Co. - 1,3,5,6

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Patricia Lynch - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Buckman - Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Co. - 3,5,6 - RF

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Tristan Miller - CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC - 1 - Texas RE

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Jesus Sammy Alcaraz - Imperial Irrigation District - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Wendy Kalidass - U.S. Bureau of Reclamation - 5	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Karen Artola - CPS Energy - 1,3,5 - Texas RE	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	

Dislikes 0

Response

Alyssia Rhoads - Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

C. A. Campbell - LS Power Development, LLC - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Anton Vu - Los Angeles Department of Water and Power - 6

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Robert Follini - Avista - Avista Corporation - 3

Answer Yes

Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Jason Chandler - Con Ed - Consolidated Edison Co. of New York - 6	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Andrew Smith - APS - Arizona Public Service Co. - 5	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Monika Montez - California ISO - 2 - WECC, Group Name ISO/RTO Council Standards Review Committee (SRC)	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	

Response

Roger Perkins - Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Kennedy Meier - Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. - 2

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alan Kloster - Alan Kloster On Behalf of: Jeremy Harris, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Kevin Frick, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Marcus Moor, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Tiffany Lake, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; - Alan Kloster

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Wayne Sipperly - North American Generator Forum - 5 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF

Answer Yes

Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Steven Rueckert - Western Electricity Coordinating Council - 10, Group Name WECC CIP	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Jennifer Bray - Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Tim Kelley - Tim Kelley On Behalf of: Charles Norton, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Foung Mua, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Kevin Smith, Balancing Authority of Northern California, 1; Nicole Looney, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Ryder Couch, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Wei Shao, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; - Tim Kelley, Group Name SMUD and BANC	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Sean Bodkin - Dominion - Dominion Resources, Inc. - 6, Group Name Dominion

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

James Baldwin - James Baldwin On Behalf of: Matt Lewis, Lower Colorado River Authority, 5, 1; - James Baldwin

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Chris Carnesi - Chris Carnesi On Behalf of: Dennis Sismaet, Northern California Power Agency, 4, 6, 3, 5; - Chris Carnesi

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Teresa Krabe - Lower Colorado River Authority - 5

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Adrian Andreoiu - BC Hydro and Power Authority - 1, Group Name BC Hydro	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Amy Wilke - American Transmission Company, LLC - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Alain Mukama - Hydro One Networks, Inc. - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	

Dislikes 0

Response

Mia Wilson - Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (RTO) - 2 - MRO,WECC

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Katrina Lyons - Georgia System Operations Corporation - 4

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Marie Potter - Marie Potter On Behalf of: Alison MacKellar, Constellation, 5, 6; Kimberly Turco, Constellation, 5, 6; - Marie Potter

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jodirah Green - ACES Power Marketing - 1,3,4,5,6 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,SERC,RF, Group Name ACES Collaborators

Answer

Yes

Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Rachel Coyne - Texas Reliability Entity, Inc. - 10	
Answer	
Document Name	
Comment	
<p>Texas RE is concerned with the removal of explicit requirements such as baselining to accomplish the security objective of implementing methods to detect anomalous network traffic. FERC Order No. 887 recognizes that establishing baselines is the primary means to identify anomalous traffic within an entities' CIP-network environment, noting that "any new or modified CIP Reliability Standards should address the need for responsible entities to develop baselines of their network traffic inside their CIP-networked environment." FERC Order No. 887, at ¶ 79. Texas RE notes that FERC Order No. 887 does contemplate that the final rule should "provide flexibility to responsible entities in determining the best way to identify anomalous activity to a high-level of confidence, so long as the methods ensure: (1) logging of network traffic . . . (2) maintaining those logs, and other data collected, regarding network traffic that are of sufficient data fidelity to draw meaningful conclusions and support incident investigation, and (3) maintaining the integrity of those logs and other data by implementing measures to minimize the likelihood of an attacker removing evidence of their tactics, techniques, and procedures . . . FERC Order No. 887, at ¶ 80.</p> <p>While recognizing this need for flexibility, however, Texas RE is concerned that some of the identified measures, such as a list of detection events or INSM configuration settings, may be too vague to provide meaningful evidence that the detection of anomalous network activity security objective is being meaningfully performed. To prevent this, Texas RE suggests inserting language in the measures that clarify that, at a minimum, data collection methods must be of sufficient data fidelity to draw meaningful conclusions and support incident investigation consistent with the language in FERC Order No. 887.</p>	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Junji Yamaguchi - Hydro-Quebec (HQ) - 1,5	
Answer	
Document Name	
Comment	

The implementation of the INSM (1.2 and 1.3) should be a separate requirement. The standard should explicitly say a baseline is required or not required. The standards is ambiguous on if a baseline is required in its current version.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

6. Based on industry feedback, the Project 2023-03 DT has drafted language of Draft 1 of proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.3 for Registered Entities to have flexibility in order to evaluate activity detected in Part 1.2 to determine appropriate action. The measures provide high-level guidance to achieving the risk-based approach which may, or may not include, escalation of the CIP-008 Cyber Security Incident response plans. Do you agree that proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.3 is clear to that intent? If you do not agree, please provide your recommendation, and if appropriate, technical, or procedural justification.

Israel Perez - Israel Perez On Behalf of: Mathew Weber, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Sarah Blankenship, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Thomas Johnson, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Timothy Singh, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; - Israel Perez

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

A clear definition of "anomalous" is needed in order to determine compliance. For example, in Generation, certain activity that may take place during an outage may not be considered "anomalous" and would not invoke CIP-008. Also, the wording "Registered Entities to have flexibility in order to evaluate activity detected in Part 1.2 to determine appropriate action." is of a concern. It is vague and lets entities make their own decisions, which could be seen as audit bait when being audited.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Adrian Andreoiu - BC Hydro and Power Authority - 1, Group Name BC Hydro

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

BC Hydro has concerns in relation to the use of term "anomalous activity" as this could be varied in terms of application and usage and is left to the entities to interpret.

BC Hydro also has concerns over the expected evidence needed for "documentation of responses to detected anomalies" per Measure M1 to meet Part R1.3., which seems to indicate that proof that all detections were responded to regardless whether they were false positives will be required, i.e. proving the negative on all anomalies detected. Due to this BC Hydro has concerns over a very high amount of data which needs to be analyzed and documented based on Requirement R1 Part R1.3 as drafted.

BC Hydro recommends to make the scope concise in the language of CIP-015 Requirement R1 Part R1.3, and add example scenarios and use-cases in the Technical Rationale.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Chris Carnesi - Chris Carnesi On Behalf of: Dennis Sismaet, Northern California Power Agency, 4, 6, 3, 5; - Chris Carnesi	
Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	
No, NCPA agrees with EEI comments about the word "appropriate" being too open for interpretation.	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	
Donna Wood - Tri-State G and T Association, Inc. - 1	
Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	
Tri-State agrees with EEI comments below:	
"The term "appropriate" is a subjective term. We propose the following revision: "Implement one or more method(s) to respond to anomalous network activity detected in Part 1.2" This language is similar to the language used in CIP-008-6.	
Additionally, as described in the response to question 3, R1 uses the terminology "anomalous or unauthorized network activity" but Requirement Part 1.2 uses the term "anomalous network activity" and Part 1.3 uses the term "activity detected" with a reference back to Part 1.2. Suggest aligning this language to clarify intention and scope."	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	
Ellese Murphy - Duke Energy - 1,3,5,6 - Texas RE,SERC,RF	
Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	
Duke Energy believes that the "appropriate action" language is too subjective and should be removed. We understand that in the process of tuning INSM implementations may generate lots of alerts, with the majority being false positives. We think that there is a way to tie the language to CIP-008 without arbitrarily treating each alert as an attempt to compromise. We suggest "Implement one or more method(s) to evaluate activity detected in Part 1.2 to determine if a CIP-008 Cyber Security Incident response plan activation is required as a response.	

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Ruchi Shah - AES - AES Corporation - 5

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

AES agrees that Part R1.3 provides entities the flexibility to evaluate and determine appropriate action. However, from the point where a determination is made and going forward, all related activities should be driven by existing Requirements in CIP-008.

AES also agrees with EEI comment below

EEI appreciates the SDT's revisions to allow Registered Entities to have flexibility to evaluate activity detected in Part 1.2 to determine appropriate action, however, the term "appropriate" is a subjective term. We propose the following revision: "Implement one or more method(s) to respond to anomalous network activity detected in Part 1.2" This language is similar to the language used in CIP-008-6.

Additionally, as described in the response to question 3, R1 uses the terminology "anomalous or unauthorized network activity" but Requirement Part 1.2 uses the term "anomalous network activity" and Part 1.3 uses the term "activity detected" with a reference back to Part 1.2. Suggest aligning this language to clarify intention and scope.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Lindsay Wickizer - Berkshire Hathaway - PacifiCorp - 6

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

BHE agrees that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.3 provides Registered Entities with flexibility to evaluate activity detected in Part 1.2 to determine appropriate action. We appreciate that the measures provide high-level guidance to achieving the risk-based approach which may, or may not, include escalation of the CIP-008 Cyber Security Incident response plan(s).

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Kristine Martz - Edison Electric Institute - NA - Not Applicable - NA - Not Applicable

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

EEl agrees that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.3 provides Registered Entities with flexibility to evaluate activity detected in Part 1.2 to determine appropriate action. We appreciate that the measures provide high-level guidance to achieving the risk-based approach which may, or may not, include escalation of the CIP-008 Cyber Security Incident response plan(s).

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Hillary Creurer - Allete - Minnesota Power, Inc. - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Minnesota Power supports EEl's comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Marcus Sabo - Marcus Sabo On Behalf of: Michael Moltane, International Transmission Company Holdings Corporation, 1; - Marcus Sabo

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

ITC supports EEl's comments on this project.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Daniel Gacek - Exelon - 1

Answer	Yes
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Document Name	
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Comment

Exelon supports the comments submitted by the EEI for this question.

Likes 0	
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Dislikes 0	
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Response**Kinte Whitehead - Exelon - 3**

Answer	Yes
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Document Name	
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Comment

Exelon is aligning with the EEI in response to this question.

Likes 0	
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Dislikes 0	
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Response**Mia Wilson - Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (RTO) - 2 - MRO,WECC**

Answer	Yes
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Document Name	
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Comment

Since Part 1.3 requires two separate actions, SPP recommends the following edit to the proposed language in R1, Part 1.3 (I.e., “change the word “to” to “and”):

Implement one or more method(s) to evaluate activity detected in Part 1.2 and determine appropriate action.

Likes 0	
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Dislikes 0	
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Response

Glen Farmer - Avista - Avista Corporation - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

EEl agrees that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.3 provides Registered Entities with flexibility to evaluate activity detected in Part 1.2 to determine appropriate action. We appreciate that the measures provide high-level guidance to achieving the risk-based approach which may, or may not, include escalation of the CIP-008 Cyber Security Incident response plan(s).

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Dwanique Spiller - Berkshire Hathaway - NV Energy - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

BHE agrees that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.3 provides Registered Entities with flexibility to evaluate activity detected in Part 1.2 to determine appropriate action. We appreciate that the measures provide high-level guidance to achieving the risk-based approach which may, or may not, include escalation of the CIP-008 Cyber Security Incident response plan(s).

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Clay Walker - Cleco Corporation - 1,3,5,6 - SERC

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Cleco agrees with EEl comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Steven Rueckert - Western Electricity Coordinating Council - 10, Group Name WECC CIP

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

The way the measures for Part 1.3 are written, it appears entities could select just one. Was this the intent of the DT? Consider revising to clarify that documentation is needed for evaluating and responding to anomalous or unauthorized network activity and an escalation process linking it to CIP-008.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

David Jendras Sr - Ameren - Ameren Services - 3

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Ameren agrees with and supports EEI comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Richard Vendetti - NextEra Energy - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

NEE support's EEI's comment(s): EEI agrees that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.3 provides Registered Entities with flexibility to evaluate activity detected in Part 1.2 to determine appropriate action. We appreciate that the measures provide high-level guidance to achieving the risk-based approach which may, or may not, include escalation of the CIP-008 Cyber Security Incident response plan(s).

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Brian Millard - Tennessee Valley Authority - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name TVA RBB

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

The standard does not provide sufficient minimum expectations for what the CEA will likely find sufficient.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Tidwell - Southern Company - Southern Company Services, Inc. - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name Southern Company

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Southern Company agrees with the feedback by EEI.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Mark Garza - FirstEnergy - FirstEnergy Corporation - 4, Group Name FE Voter

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

No additional comments

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Cain Braveheart - Bonneville Power Administration - 1,3,5,6 - WECC

Answer Yes

Document Name	
Comment	
BPA believes there is still room for clarification to revise “anomalous network activity” to “anomalous conditions”. Network conditions can include lack of activity or states.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Rachel Schuldt - Black Hills Corporation - 6, Group Name Black Hills Corporation - All Segments	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Black Hills Corporation agrees with EEI’s comments: EEI agrees that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R1, Part 1.3 provides Registered Entities with flexibility to evaluate activity detected in Part 1.2 to determine appropriate action. We appreciate that the measures provide high-level guidance to achieving the risk-based approach which may, or may not, include escalation of the CIP-008 Cyber Security Incident response plan(s).	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Michael Johnson - Michael Johnson On Behalf of: Frank Lee, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Marco Rios, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Sandra Ellis, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; - Michael Johnson, Group Name PG&E All Segments	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
PG&E agrees the modifications are clear on the intent.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Todd Bennett - Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. - 3, Group Name AECI	
Answer	Yes

Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Jodirah Green - ACES Power Marketing - 1,3,4,5,6 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,SERC,RF, Group Name ACES Collaborators	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Marie Potter - Marie Potter On Behalf of: Alison MacKellar, Constellation, 5, 6; Kimberly Turco, Constellation, 5, 6; - Marie Potter	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Colin Chilcoat - Invenergy LLC - 6	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	

Response

Katrina Lyons - Georgia System Operations Corporation - 4

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Constantin Chitescu - Ontario Power Generation Inc. - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alain Mukama - Hydro One Networks, Inc. - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Robert Blackney - Edison International - Southern California Edison Company - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Amy Wilke - American Transmission Company, LLC - 1****Answer**

Yes

Document Name**Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Teresa Krabe - Lower Colorado River Authority - 5****Answer**

Yes

Document Name**Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**James Baldwin - James Baldwin On Behalf of: Matt Lewis, Lower Colorado River Authority, 5, 1; - James Baldwin****Answer**

Yes

Document Name**Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennie Wike - Jennie Wike On Behalf of: Hien Ho, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; John Nierenberg, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; Ozan Ferrin, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; Terry Gifford, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; - Jennie Wike, Group Name Tacoma Power

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Sean Bodkin - Dominion - Dominion Resources, Inc. - 6, Group Name Dominion

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Tim Kelley - Tim Kelley On Behalf of: Charles Norton, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Foug Mua, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Kevin Smith, Balancing Authority of Northern California, 1; Nicole Looney, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Ryder Couch, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Wei Shao, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; - Tim Kelley, Group Name SMUD and BANC

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Bray - Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. - 1

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Wayne Sipperly - North American Generator Forum - 5 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Alan Kloster - Alan Kloster On Behalf of: Jeremy Harris, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Kevin Frick, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Marcus Moor, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Tiffany Lake, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; - Alan Kloster	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Roger Fradenburgh - Roger Fradenburgh On Behalf of: Nick Lauriat, Network and Security Technologies, 1; - Roger Fradenburgh	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Kennedy Meier - Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. - 2

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Roger Perkins - Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Monika Montez - California ISO - 2 - WECC, Group Name ISO/RTO Council Standards Review Committee (SRC)

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Andrew Smith - APS - Arizona Public Service Co. - 5

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Erik Gustafson - PNM Resources - Public Service Company of New Mexico - 1,3 - WECC,Texas RE	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Jason Chandler - Con Ed - Consolidated Edison Co. of New York - 6	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Robert Follini - Avista - Avista Corporation - 3	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	

Dislikes 0

Response

Anton Vu - Los Angeles Department of Water and Power - 6

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

C. A. Campbell - LS Power Development, LLC - 5

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Anna Martinson - MRO - 1,2,3,4,5,6 - MRO, Group Name MRO Group

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alyssia Rhoads - Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County - 1

Answer

Yes

Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Karen Artola - CPS Energy - 1,3,5 - Texas RE	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Andy Fuhrman - Andy Fuhrman On Behalf of: Theresa Allard, Minnkota Power Cooperative Inc., 1; - Andy Fuhrman	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Larry Snow - Cogentrix Energy Power Management, LLC - NA - Not Applicable - Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	

Response

Gail Golden - Entergy - Entergy Services, Inc. - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

James Keele - Entergy - 3

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Wendy Kalidass - U.S. Bureau of Reclamation - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jesus Sammy Alcaraz - Imperial Irrigation District - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Tristan Miller - CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC - 1 - Texas RE****Answer**

Yes

Document Name**Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Jennifer Buckman - Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Co. - 3,5,6 - RF****Answer**

Yes

Document Name**Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Patricia Lynch - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6****Answer**

Yes

Document Name**Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alison Nickells - NiSource - Northern Indiana Public Service Co. - 1,3,5,6

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Martin Sidor - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Junji Yamaguchi - Hydro-Quebec (HQ) - 1,5

Answer

Document Name

Comment

TFIST had no comment on question 6.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Rachel Coyne - Texas Reliability Entity, Inc. - 10

Answer

Document Name

Comment

While the measures do provide guidance, the requirement language should be clear in the intent. Texas RE recommends the following language to clarify the intent of Requirement Part 1.3:

R1.3 Implement one or more method(s) to evaluate activity detected in Part 1.2 to determine appropriate action, up to and including identifying the anomalous network activity as a Cyber Security Incident.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

7. The Project 2023-03 DT has drafted Requirement R2 of proposed CIP-015-1 for Registered Entities to protect INSM data collected in support of Requirement R1 to mitigate the risks of unauthorized deletion or modification. Do you agree that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R2 is clear to that intent? If you do not agree, please provide your recommendation, and if appropriate, technical, or procedural justification.

Ruchi Shah - AES - AES Corporation - 5

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

AES agrees with protecting INSM data from being inadvertently deleted or modified. However, we do not want the categorization or treatment of INSM data be conflated with or mistaken for BCSI. The two types of information must be treated as two separate and discrete types of information.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Ellese Murphy - Duke Energy - 1,3,5,6 - Texas RE,SERC,RF

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Duke Energy sees additional opportunities for clarification in R2. We are concerned that R2 is redundant for entities who will classify their INSM systems as EACMs, and that the flexibility in INSM system classification is not clear. We propose "Responsible Entity with an INSM system not classified as an EACM shall implement one or more documented process(es) to protect INSM data collected in support of Requirement R1 to mitigate the risks of unauthorized deletion or modification, except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Rachel Schuldts - Black Hills Corporation - 6, Group Name Black Hills Corporation - All Segments

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Black Hills Corporation seeks clarification on how this Requirement R2 differs from the existing CIP-011 language regarding data protection, as we would like to see a standard that does not duplicate or conflict with existing CIP requirement language.

Black Hills Corporation also agrees with the comments from EEI: EEI proposes the following revision to CIP-015-1 R2:

Responsible Entity shall implement, **except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances**, one or more documented process(es) to protect INSM data collected in support of Requirement R1 to mitigate the risks of unauthorized deletion or modification (*remove: , except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances*).

As written, the language could suggest that an entity does not need to protect the INSM data from unauthorized deletion or have a process for protecting it if they declare a CIP Exceptional Circumstance. Moving the CEC language up in the requirement more clearly aligns with the intention of the requirement.

EEI seeks additional clarity in the Technical Rationale related to the protections for INSM data and BCSI. Page 3 of the Technical Rationale refers to the CMEP Practice Guide “Network Monitoring Sensors, Centralized Collectors, and Information Sharing” and notes that the Entities may be required to apply BCSI protections to INSM systems and its components. EEI seeks clarification of the similarities and differences between BCSI protections and those required under CIP-015-1 Requirement R2.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Larry Snow - Cogentrix Energy Power Management, LLC - NA - Not Applicable - Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

R2 states to protect the traffic. The standard should be more specific on if the information should be protected in transit or at rest and the type of data that the requirements cover. The standard could confuse the data on the network with the reports or subsequent analysis coming out of the INSM data.

Furthermore, Cogentrix proposes that ISNM data be specifically added as an item for CIP-011 classification as BCSI; as a result, this requirement is not needed.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

C. A. Campbell - LS Power Development, LLC - 5

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

The way in which this requirement reads there are CIP-012 overtones. Protecting data against the risks of 'unauthorized deletion or modification' is too close to the goal/objective of CIP-012, creating confusion and cross-over.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Robert Follini - Avista - Avista Corporation - 3

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Avista agree with EEI comments

EEI seeks additional clarity in the Technical Rationale related to the protections for INSM data and BCSI. Page 3 of the Technical Rationale refers to the CMEP Practice Guide "Network Monitoring Sensors, Centralized Collectors, and Information Sharing" and notes that the Entities may be required to apply BCSI protections to INSM systems and its components. EEI seeks clarification of the similarities and differences between BCSI protections and those required under CIP-015-1 Requirement R2.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Tidwell - Southern Company - Southern Company Services, Inc. - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name Southern Company

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Southern Company agrees with the feedback by EEI.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Richard Vendetti - NextEra Energy - 5

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

NEE support's EEI's comment(s): EEI proposes the following revision to CIP-015-1 R2:

Responsible Entity shall implement, **except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances**, one or more documented process(es) to protect INSM data collected in support of Requirement R1 to mitigate the risks of unauthorized deletion or modification, except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances.

As written, the language could suggest that an entity does not need to protect the INSM data from unauthorized deletion or have a process for protecting it if they declare a CIP Exceptional Circumstance. Moving the CEC language up in the requirement more clearly aligns with the intention of the requirement.

EEI seeks additional clarity in the Technical Rationale related to the protections for INSM data and BCSI. Page 3 of the Technical Rationale refers to the CMEP Practice Guide "Network Monitoring Sensors, Centralized Collectors, and Information Sharing" and notes that the Entities may be required to apply BCSI protections to INSM systems and its components. EEI seeks clarification of the similarities and differences between BCSI protections and those required under CIP-015-1 Requirement R2.

Likes	0
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Dislikes	0
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Response

David Jendras Sr - Ameren - Ameren Services - 3

Answer	No
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Document Name	
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Comment

Ameren agrees with and supports EEI comments.

Likes	0
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Dislikes	0
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Response

Alan Kloster - Alan Kloster On Behalf of: Jeremy Harris, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Kevin Frick, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Marcus Moor, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Tiffany Lake, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; - Alan Kloster

Answer	No
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Document Name	
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Comment

Evergy supports and incorporates by reference the comments of the Edison Electric Institute (EEI) for question #7.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Sean Bodkin - Dominion - Dominion Resources, Inc. - 6, Group Name Dominion

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Dominion Energy supports EEI comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

James Baldwin - James Baldwin On Behalf of: Matt Lewis, Lower Colorado River Authority, 5, 1; - James Baldwin

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

LCRA understands the intent of the SDT when drafting this requirement, however, LCRA is concerned that INSM data is being treated inconsistently when compared to monitoring data present on other EACMS (e.g., SIEM). Additionally, we believe that INSM data will meet the NERC Glossary of Terms definition of BCSI. Given this, it may be beneficial to add availability and integrity to Requirement 1 in CIP-011.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Chris Carnesi - Chris Carnesi On Behalf of: Dennis Sismaet, Northern California Power Agency, 4, 6, 3, 5; - Chris Carnesi

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

No, there are a variety of events, logs and other evidence based output that is generated by other CIP standards that don't require this level of protection. This appears to be overreaching in the protection of data that is beyond the protection of the BCS requirements.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Clay Walker - Cleco Corporation - 1,3,5,6 - SERC

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Cleco agrees with EEI comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Teresa Krabe - Lower Colorado River Authority - 5

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

LCRA understands the intent of the SDT when drafting this requirement, however, LCRA is concerned that INSM data is being treated inconsistently when compared to monitoring data present on other EACMS (e.g., SIEM). Additionally, we believe that INSM data will meet the NERC Glossary of Terms definition of BCSI. Given this, it may be beneficial to add availability and integrity to Requirement 1 in CIP-011.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Adrian Andreoiu - BC Hydro and Power Authority - 1, Group Name BC Hydro

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

It is not clear if the Requirement R2 is expecting both detection of unauthorized access and/or changes along with protection mechanisms to prevent unauthorized access or if the entity can choose what combination of controls is appropriate to them based on their security risk tolerance.

BC Hydro recommends to provide clarity in the Requirement R2 to remove ambiguity and scope these accurately. BC Hydro also notes that although Technical Rationale provides examples of guidance it is not an ERO endorsed compliance guidance document. Auditors may chose to adhere to certain aspects from Technical Rationale and choose to leave others.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Glen Farmer - Avista - Avista Corporation - 5

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

EEl proposes the following revision to CIP-015-1 R2:

Responsible Entity shall implement, **except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances**, one or more documented process(es) to protect INSM data collected in support of Requirement R1 to mitigate the risks of unauthorized deletion or modification, except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances.

As written, the language could suggest that an entity does not need to protect the INSM data from unauthorized deletion or have a process for protecting it if they declare a CIP Exceptional Circumstance. Moving the CEC language up in the requirement more clearly aligns with the intention of the requirement.

EEl seeks additional clarity in the Technical Rationale related to the protections for INSM data and BCSI. Page 3 of the Technical Rationale refers to the CMEP Practice Guide "Network Monitoring Sensors, Centralized Collectors, and Information Sharing" and notes that the Entities may be required to apply BCSI protections to INSM systems and its components. EEl seeks clarification of the similarities and differences between BCSI protections and those required under CIP-015-1 Requirement R2.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Robert Blackney - Edison International - Southern California Edison Company - 1

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

See comments submitted by the Edison Electric Institute.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Kinte Whitehead - Exelon - 3

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Exelon is aliging with the EEI in response to this question.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Daniel Gacek - Exelon - 1

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Exelon supports the comments submitted by the EEI for this question.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Marcus Sabo - Marcus Sabo On Behalf of: Michael Moltane, International Transmission Company Holdings Corporation, 1; - Marcus Sabo

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

ITC supports EEI's comments on this project.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Constantin Chitescu - Ontario Power Generation Inc. - 5

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

OPG supports NPCC Regional Standards Committee's comments:

"R2 states to protect the traffic. The standard should be more specific on if the information should be protected in transit or at rest and the type of data that the requirements cover. NPCC RSC is concerned that the standard could confuse the data on the network with the reports or subsequent analysis coming out of the INSM data."

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Hillary Creurer - Allele - Minnesota Power, Inc. - 1

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Minnesota Power supports EEI's comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Israel Perez - Israel Perez On Behalf of: Mathew Weber, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Sarah Blankenship, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Thomas Johnson, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Timothy Singh, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; - Israel Perez

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Does this suggest that the RE maintain the evidence? Why? For how long? What is the purpose and intent of this requirement? Could CIP-004 (access), CIP-005 (vendor access) or CIP-011 (BCSI protections) be leveraged for this purpose? Clarification is needed as it is not clear what the purpose and intent of this requirement is.

What does "To mitigate the risk of unauthorized deletion or modification" mean? Again, shouldn't CIP-004 R4 and CIP-011 address this? Also, do the individuals who have the access, be the ones authorized to have the access. One concern is when vendors who have this access, and how would an entity monitor for such activity?

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Kristine Martz - Edison Electric Institute - NA - Not Applicable - NA - Not Applicable

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

EEl proposes the following revision to CIP-015-1 R2:

"Responsible Entity shall implement, ***except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances***, one or more documented process(es) to protect INSM data collected in support of Requirement R1 to mitigate the risks of unauthorized deletion or modification."

As written, the language could suggest that an entity does not need to protect the INSM data from unauthorized deletion or have a process for protecting it if they declare a CIP Exceptional Circumstance. Moving the CEC language up in the requirement more clearly aligns with the intention of the requirement.

EEl seeks additional clarity in the Technical Rationale related to the protections for INSM data and BCSI. Page 3 of the Technical Rationale refers to the CMEP Practice Guide "Network Monitoring Sensors, Centralized Collectors, and Information Sharing" and notes that the Entities may be required to apply BCSI protections to INSM systems and its components. EEl seeks clarification of the similarities and differences between BCSI protections and those required under CIP-015-1 Requirement R2.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Lindsay Wickizer - Berkshire Hathaway - PacifiCorp - 6

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

BHE proposes the following clarification to CIP-015-1 R2 Technical Rationale:

BHE seeks additional clarity in the Technical Rationale related to the protections for INSM data and BCSI. Page 3 of the Technical Rationale refers to the CMEP Practice Guide "Network Monitoring Sensors, Centralized Collectors, and Information Sharing" and notes that the Entities may be required to

apply BCSI protections to INSM systems and its components. BHE seeks clarification of the similarities and differences between BCSI protections and those required under CIP-015-1 Requirement R2.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Bret Galbraith - Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc. - 6

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Seminole agrees the EEI

EEI Response:

Responsible Entity shall implement, **except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances**, one or more documented process(es) to protect INSM data collected in support of Requirement R1 to mitigate the risks of unauthorized deletion or modification, except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances.

As written, the language could suggest that an entity does not need to protect the INSM data from unauthorized deletion or have a process for protecting it if they declare a CIP Exceptional Circumstance. Moving the CEC language up in the requirement more clearly aligns with the intention of the requirement.

EEI seeks additional clarity in the Technical Rationale related to the protections for INSM data and BCSI. Page 3 of the Technical Rationale refers to the CMEP Practice Guide "Network Monitoring Sensors, Centralized Collectors, and Information Sharing" and notes that the Entities may be required to apply BCSI protections to INSM systems and its components. EEI seeks clarification of the similarities and differences between BCSI protections and those required under CIP-015-1 Requirement R2.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Michael Johnson - Michael Johnson On Behalf of: Frank Lee, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Marco Rios, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Sandra Ellis, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; - Michael Johnson, Group Name PG&E All Segments

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

PG&E agrees the modifications are clear on the intent.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Cain Braveheart - Bonneville Power Administration - 1,3,5,6 - WECC

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

BPA believes there is an operational concern that logs should be set to over-write rather than causing a full disk stop condition. This may be a higher priority than keeping all logs, as the proliferation of security event logs, in itself, is an indicator of an issue that can feed into response activities.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Mark Garza - FirstEnergy - FirstEnergy Corporation - 4, Group Name FE Voter

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

No additional comments

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Brian Millard - Tennessee Valley Authority - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name TVA RBB

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

The protection of the data does not need additional standards since a risk has not been identified that this newly created data element is subject to. Why would this data be subject to risk of unauthorized deletion or modification compared to other security logs or data?

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Wayne Sipperly - North American Generator Forum - 5 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

The NAGF recommends placing the following statement "except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances" after the word implement which specifies the action for the phrase rather than a general statement.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Dwanique Spiller - Berkshire Hathaway - NV Energy - 5

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

BHE proposes the following clarification to CIP-015-1 R2 Technical Rationale:

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Martin Sidor - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alison Nickells - NiSource - Northern Indiana Public Service Co. - 1,3,5,6

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Patricia Lynch - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Buckman - Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Co. - 3,5,6 - RF

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Tristan Miller - CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC - 1 - Texas RE

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Donna Wood - Tri-State G and T Association, Inc. - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Jesus Sammy Alcaraz - Imperial Irrigation District - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Wendy Kalidass - U.S. Bureau of Reclamation - 5	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	

Dislikes 0

Response

James Keele - Entergy - 3

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Gail Golden - Entergy - Entergy Services, Inc. - 5

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Andy Fuhrman - Andy Fuhrman On Behalf of: Theresa Allard, Minnkota Power Cooperative Inc., 1; - Andy Fuhrman

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Karen Artola - CPS Energy - 1,3,5 - Texas RE

Answer

Yes

Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Alyssia Rhoads - Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Anna Martinson - MRO - 1,2,3,4,5,6 - MRO, Group Name MRO Group	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Anton Vu - Los Angeles Department of Water and Power - 6	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	

Response

Jason Chandler - Con Ed - Consolidated Edison Co. of New York - 6

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Erik Gustafson - PNM Resources - Public Service Company of New Mexico - 1,3 - WECC,Texas RE

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Andrew Smith - APS - Arizona Public Service Co. - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Monika Montez - California ISO - 2 - WECC, Group Name ISO/RTO Council Standards Review Committee (SRC)

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Roger Perkins - Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Kennedy Meier - Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. - 2

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Roger Fradenburgh - Roger Fradenburgh On Behalf of: Nick Lauriat, Network and Security Technologies, 1; - Roger Fradenburgh

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Steven Rueckert - Western Electricity Coordinating Council - 10, Group Name WECC CIP

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Rachel Coyne - Texas Reliability Entity, Inc. - 10

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Bray - Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Tim Kelley - Tim Kelley On Behalf of: Charles Norton, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Fong Mua, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Kevin Smith, Balancing Authority of Northern California, 1; Nicole Looney, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Ryder Couch, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Wei Shao, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; - Tim Kelley, Group Name SMUD and BANC

Answer Yes

Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Jennie Wike - Jennie Wike On Behalf of: Hien Ho, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; John Nierenberg, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; Ozan Ferrin, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; Terry Gifford, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; - Jennie Wike, Group Name Tacoma Power	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Amy Wilke - American Transmission Company, LLC - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Alain Mukama - Hydro One Networks, Inc. - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	

Dislikes 0

Response

Mia Wilson - Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (RTO) - 2 - MRO,WECC

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Katrina Lyons - Georgia System Operations Corporation - 4

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Colin Chilcoat - Invenergy LLC - 6

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Marie Potter - Marie Potter On Behalf of: Alison MacKellar, Constellation, 5, 6; Kimberly Turco, Constellation, 5, 6; - Marie Potter

Answer

Yes

Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Jodirah Green - ACES Power Marketing - 1,3,4,5,6 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,SERC,RF, Group Name ACES Collaborators	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Todd Bennett - Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. - 3, Group Name AECI	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Junji Yamaguchi - Hydro-Quebec (HQ) - 1,5	
Answer	
Document Name	
Comment	
<p>R2 states to protect the traffic. The standard should be more specific on if the information should be protected in transit or at rest and the type of data that the requirements cover. TFIST is concerned that the standard could confuse the data on the network with the reports or subsequent analysis coming out of the INSM data</p>	

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

8. The Project 2023-03 DT has drafted Requirement R3 of proposed CIP-015-1 for Registered Entities to retain network communications data and other meta data collected with sufficient detail and duration to support the analysis in Requirement R1, Part 1.3, which is the evaluation of anomalous activity in order to determine appropriate action. The goal of the Project 2023-03 DT was to allow Registered Entities to determine how to meet the objectives without defining strict duration that could cause the retention of substantial amounts of data that may not be relevant to meeting the security objects of the Reliability Standard. Do you agree that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R3 is clear to that intent? If you do not agree, please provide your recommendation, and if appropriate, technical, or procedural justification.

Bret Galbraith - Seminole Electric Cooperative, Inc. - 6

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Seminole Agrees with the comments from MRO NSRF

MRO NSRF is concerned with the current language in R3. The amount of data needing to be collected and stored just for an audit cycle would be extremely voluminous and overly expensive. MRO NSRF believes that the data to be retained should be limited to network communications and other related data that is part of an investigated alert. Full capture of network and other related communications data would be an administrative and a cost burden without providing any additional security or reliability to the Bulk Electric System.

To achieve the retention of meaningful INSM Data and to eliminate the administrative and economic burdens of retaining unmeaningful INSM data, MRO NSRF suggests modifying Requirement parts R1.2 and R1.3 to read:

1.2. Implement one or more method(s) to detect and alert on anomalous network activity using the data collected at locations identified in Part 1.1

1.3. Implement one or more method(s) and evaluate activity detected in Part 1.2 to determine if a Cyber Security Incident has occurred.

Where the evaluation of detected anomalous or unauthorized network activity made in Part 1.3 is determined to be a Cyber Security Incident, the Responsible Entity shall initiate activities identified in its Cyber Security Response Plan. By doing this we would eliminate the potential for double jeopardy with duplicative Requirements in CIP-008 and CIP-015. To achieve this MRO NSRF suggests eliminating CIP-015 R3 and adding a new sub part 1.4 a to read:

1.4. When detected anomalous or unauthorized network activity is determined to be a Cyber Security Incident (reportable or attempt to compromise), the Responsible Entity shall initiate activities identified in its Cyber Security Incident response plan.

The existing CIP-008 activities would include a response or mitigation of the Cyber Security Incident (CIP-008 R1.1) identified as a result of the activities performed in CIP-015-1 R1. CIP-008 R2.3 would also include activities needing to be performed to address data collection and retention of network communications data and other meta data that is currently proposed in CIP-015-1 R3.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response	
Anna Martinson - MRO - 1,2,3,4,5,6 - MRO, Group Name MRO Group	
Answer	No
Document Name	2023-03_Comment_Form_MRO_NSRF_20240313_Final.docx
Comment	
<p>MRO NSRF is concerned with the current language in R3. The amount of data needing to be collected and stored just for an audit cycle would be extremely voluminous and overly expensive. MRO NSRF believes that the data to be retained should be limited to network communications and other related data that is part of an investigated alert. Full capture of network and other related communications data would be an administrative and a cost burden without providing any additional security or reliability to the Bulk Electric System.</p> <p>To achieve the retention of meaningful INSM Data and to eliminate the administrative and economic burdens of retaining unmeaningful INSM data, MRO NSRF suggests modifying Requirement parts R1.2 and R1.3 to read:</p> <p><i>1.2. Implement one or more method(s) to detect and alert on anomalous network activity using the data collected at locations identified in Part 1.1.</i></p> <p><i>1.3. Implement one or more method(s) and evaluate activity detected in Part 1.2 to determine if a Cyber Security Incident has occurred.</i></p> <p>Where the evaluation of detected anomalous or unauthorized network activity made in Part 1.3 is determined to be a Cyber Security Incident, the Responsible Entity shall initiate activities identified in its Cyber Security Response Plan. By doing this we would eliminate the potential for double jeopardy with duplicative Requirements in CIP-008 and CIP-015. To achieve this MRO NSRF suggests eliminating CIP-015 R3 and adding a new sub part 1.4 a to read:</p> <p><i>1.4. When detected anomalous or unauthorized network activity is determined to be a Cyber Security Incident (reportable or attempt to compromise), the Responsible Entity shall initiate activities identified in its Cyber Security Incident response plan.</i></p> <p>The existing CIP-008 activities would include a response or mitigation of the Cyber Security Incident (CIP-008 R1.1) identified as a result of the activities performed in CIP-015-1 R1. CIP-008 R2.3 would also include activities needing to be performed to address data collection and retention of network communications data and other meta data that is currently proposed in CIP-015-1 R3.</p>	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	

Jennifer Neville - Western Area Power Administration - 6

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Concerns with the language in R3. The amount of data to be collected and stored is extremely voluminous, which in turn is a very expensive administrative burden that does not provide additional security or reliability. Suggest modifying the language for R1.2 and R1.3 to reflect limiting the data retained to network communications and other related data as part of the investigated alert.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Lindsay Wickizer - Berkshire Hathaway - PacifiCorp - 6

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

BHE is concerned that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R3 does not clearly limit the scope of data required to be collected and stored by the Responsible Entity, which could lead to voluminous amounts of data being collected and stored for extended periods of time. BHE proposes revising the draft R3 language as follows:

“Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) to retain, **with sufficient detail for at least ninety days**, INSM data **evaluated** in support of Requirement 1, Part 1.3 **and determined by the Responsible Entity to be anomalous and require action**, except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances.”

The choice for “ninety days” duration is meant to keep consistency with other CIP Standard log retention requirements.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Kristine Martz - Edison Electric Institute - NA - Not Applicable - NA - Not Applicable

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

EEI is concerned that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R3 does not clearly limit the scope of data required to be collected and stored by the Responsible Entity, which could lead to voluminous amounts of data being collected and stored leading to unintended cost implications. EEI proposes revising the draft R3 language as follows:

“Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) to retain, **with sufficient detail and duration, INSM data evaluated in support of** Requirement 1, Part 1.3 **and determined by the Responsible Entity to be anomalous and require action**, except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances.”

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Todd Bennett - Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. - 3, Group Name AECI

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

The phrase "retain network communications data AND other metadata." This insinuates that entities may need full PCAP monitoring of an entire BCS and retaining entire conversations. This could require significant allocation of resources from entities, especially if storage is required for a significant amount of time. Entities should be able to establish retention requirements in their program for full PCAP if required to implement as this approach may not be cost effective for entities.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Israel Perez - Israel Perez On Behalf of: Mathew Weber, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Sarah Blankenship, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Thomas Johnson, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Timothy Singh, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; - Israel Perez

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

It is unclear as to how to meet any objectives of this requirement. Again, the word anomalous needs clarification. The way the requirement is written is still vague in determining how long to retain network communications data and meta data collected with sufficient detail and duration to support the analysis. The technical guidelines has more in-depth information on what should and can be the length of time. However, as we all know, auditors will be auditing to the Standard and requirements and not the technical rational. Maybe include additional information in the measures section?

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response	
Jodirah Green - ACES Power Marketing - 1,3,4,5,6 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,SERC,RF, Group Name ACES Collaborators	
Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	
<p>ACES agrees with the way R3 is written, but the requirement is not specific to how long an entity would be required to retain network communications data and other meta data collected for an actual incident. ACES believes the requirement should be explicit for data retention for an actual incident such as audit period, 36 months, etc.</p>	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0

Response	
Marie Potter - Marie Potter On Behalf of: Alison MacKellar, Constellation, 5, 6; Kimberly Turco, Constellation, 5, 6; - Marie Potter	
Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	
<p>The amount of data needing to be collected and stored just for an audit cycle would be extremely voluminous and overly expensive. The data to be limited to network communications and other related data that is part of an investigated alert. Full capture of network and other related communications data would be an administrative and a cost burden without providing any additional security or reliability to the Bulk Electric System.</p> <p><i>Consider:</i></p> <p><i>R3: Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) to retain network communications data and other meta data with sufficient detail and duration collected as part of the response to an investigated alert initiated from the analysis performed in Requirement R1, Part 1.3, except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances.</i></p>	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0

Response	
Katrina Lyons - Georgia System Operations Corporation - 4	
Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	

Georgia System Operations Corporation supports ACES comments: "ACES agrees with the way R3 is written, but the requirement is not specific to how long an entity would be required to retain network communications data and other meta data collected for an actual incident. ACES believes the requirement should be explicit for data retention for an actual incident such as audit period, 36 months, etc."

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Hillary Creurer - Allete - Minnesota Power, Inc. - 1

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Minnesota Power supports EEI's comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Constantin Chitescu - Ontario Power Generation Inc. - 5

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

OPG supports NPCC Regional Standards Committee's comments:

"R3 The standard is not clear on a timeline for assessment or how long the INSM information should be retained or a timeline for assessment. NPCC RSC is unclear on what "sufficient detail and duration" means and if these words are necessary."

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Marcus Sabo - Marcus Sabo On Behalf of: Michael Moltane, International Transmission Company Holdings Corporation, 1; - Marcus Sabo

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

ITC supports EEI's comments on this project.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Daniel Gacek - Exelon - 1**

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Exelon supports the comments submitted by the EEI for this question.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Kinte Whitehead - Exelon - 3**

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Exelon is aliging with the EEI in response to this question.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Mia Wilson - Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (RTO) - 2 - MRO,WECC**

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

SPP asks that the SDT provide additional clarity around (i) what is a reasonable duration for network communications data and metadata retention, and what is defined as network communications data and metadat

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alain Mukama - Hydro One Networks, Inc. - 1

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

It is unclear on how long the data needs to be retained. Suggest including a clear timeline minimum 90 days to match with CIP-007 R4.3 event Log retention

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Robert Blackney - Edison International - Southern California Edison Company - 1

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

See comments submitted by the Edison Electric Institute.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Glen Farmer - Avista - Avista Corporation - 5

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

EEl is concerned that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R3 does not clearly limit the scope of data required to be collected and stored by the Responsible Entity, which could lead to voluminous amounts of data being collected and stored leading to unintended cost implications. EEl proposes revising the draft R3 language as follows:

“Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) to retain, **with sufficient detail and duration**, network communications data and other meta data INSM data collected with sufficient detail and duration **evaluated** to support the analysis in support of Requirement 1, Part 1.3 **and determined by the Responsible Entity to be anomalous and require action**, except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances.”

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Adrian Andreoiu - BC Hydro and Power Authority - 1, Group Name BC Hydro

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

BC Hydro has concerns about the extensive data volume and high costs associated with Requirement R3 per the current language. BC Hydro suggests limiting retained data to network communications and relevant information linked to investigated alerts only. A full capture of network data poses excessive burdens in terms of cost and sustainment and does not contribute extensively in enhancing security or reliability for the Bulk Electric System. BC Hydro recommends that the drafting team narrow the scope of INSM (Internal Network Security Monitoring) data to only Attempt to Compromises and reportable Cyber Security Incidents only in line with CIP-008 requirements.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Dwanique Spiller - Berkshire Hathaway - NV Energy - 5

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

BHE is concerned that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R3 does not clearly limit the scope of data required to be collected and stored by the Responsible Entity, which could lead to voluminous amounts of data being collected and stored for extended periods of time. BHE proposes revising the draft R3 language as follows:

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The choice for “ninety days” duration is meant to keep consistency with other CIP Standard log retention requirements.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Clay Walker - Cleco Corporation - 1,3,5,6 - SERC

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Cleco agrees with EEI comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Chris Carnesi - Chris Carnesi On Behalf of: Dennis Sismaet, Northern California Power Agency, 4, 6, 3, 5; - Chris Carnesi

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

No, NCPA agrees with AES statement.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Sean Bodkin - Dominion - Dominion Resources, Inc. - 6, Group Name Dominion

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Dominion Energy supports EEI comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Jennifer Bray - Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. - 1**

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

AEPC has signed on to ACES comments:

ACES agrees with the way R3 is written, but the requirement is not specific to how long an entity would be required to retain network communications data and other meta data collected for an actual incident. ACES believes the requirement should be explicit for data retention for an actual incident such as audit period, 36 months, etc.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Roger Fradenburgh - Roger Fradenburgh On Behalf of: Nick Lauriat, Network and Security Technologies, 1; - Roger Fradenburgh**

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

NST believes R3 should clarify it is left to Registered Entities to decide what collected data should be retained and for how long. We suggest, "Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) to retain network communications data and other meta data collected with sufficient detail and duration, *as determined by the Responsible Entity*, to support the analysis in Requirement R1, Part 1.3, except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances."

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Kennedy Meier - Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. - 2**

Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	
ERCOT joins the comments submitted by the IRC SRC and adopts them as its own.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
David Jendras Sr - Ameren - Ameren Services - 3	
Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	
Ameren agrees with and supports EEI comments.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Roger Perkins - Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative - 1	
Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	
SMECO agrees with ACES comments: ACES agrees with the way R3 is written, but the requirement is not specific to how long an entity would be required to retain network communications data and other meta data collected for an actual incident. ACES believes the requirement should be explicit for data retention for an actual incident such as audit period, 36 months, etc.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	

Monika Montez - California ISO - 2 - WECC, Group Name ISO/RTO Council Standards Review Committee (SRC)

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

The SRC recommends that the standard be revised to provide additional clarity regarding the extent of a Responsible Entity's ability to define and determine what data (particularly metadata) needs to be retained and the appropriate retention period. Without additional clarity, the SRC is concerned that Requirement R3 could be construed to require entities to retain large amounts of data for the full duration of the three-year evidence retention period applicable to CIP-015-1.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Richard Vendetti - NextEra Energy - 5

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

NEE support's EEI's comment(s): EEI is concerned that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R3 does not clearly limit the scope of data required to be collected and stored by the Responsible Entity, which could lead to voluminous amounts of data being collected and stored leading to unintended cost implications. EEI proposes revising the draft R3 language as follows:

"Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) to retain, **with sufficient detail and duration**, network communications data and other meta data INSM data collected with sufficient detail and duration **evaluated** to support the analysis in support of Requirement 1, Part 1.3 **and determined by the Responsible Entity to be anomalous and require action**, except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances."

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Andrew Smith - APS - Arizona Public Service Co. - 5

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

AZPS agrees with EEI's concerns regarding the proposed language for CIP-015-1 R3. Potential ambiguity in the current draft of data collection requirements may lead to interpretations which require significant data collection and storage. AZPS supports the following revised language:

"Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) to retain, **with sufficient detail and duration**, network communications data and other meta data INSM data collected with sufficient detail and duration **evaluated** to support the analysis in support of Requirement 1, Part 1.3 **and determined by the Responsible Entity to be anomalous and require action**, except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances."

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Tidwell - Southern Company - Southern Company Services, Inc. - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name Southern Company

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Southern Company agrees with the feedback by EEI.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Robert Follini - Avista - Avista Corporation - 3

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Avista agrees with EEI's comment -- EEI is concerned that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R3 does not clearly limit the scope of data required to be collected and stored by the Responsible Entity, which could lead to voluminous amounts of data being collected and stored leading to unintended cost implications.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Anton Vu - Los Angeles Department of Water and Power - 6

Answer No

Document Name	
Comment	
<p><i>“R3 Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) to retain network communications data and other meta data collected with sufficient detail and duration to support the analysis in Requirement R1, Part 1.3, except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances.”</i></p> <p>The bolded part (“with sufficient detail and duration”) is unquantifiable and can potentially be too subjective. LDWP would recommend specific criteria or additional technical guidance be included for what “sufficient detail and duration” entails.</p>	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	
Andy Fuhrman - Andy Fuhrman On Behalf of: Theresa Allard, Minnkota Power Cooperative Inc., 1; - Andy Fuhrman	
Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	
MPC supports comments submitted by the MRO NERC Standards Review Forum.	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	
Larry Snow - Cogentrix Energy Power Management, LLC - NA - Not Applicable - Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF	
Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	
<p>R3 The standard is not clear on a timeline for assessment or how long the INSM information should be retained or a timeline for assessment. This brings the question of what “sufficient detail and duration” means and are these words are necessary? Further, other approved CIP standards offer specific data retention periods. Cogentrix does not believe this ambiguity is helpful to the objective and the DT should specify a timeframe to help clarify entity expectations and introduce consistency in application.</p>	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	

Rachel Schuldt - Black Hills Corporation - 6, Group Name Black Hills Corporation - All Segments

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Black Hills Corporation agrees with EEI's comments: EEI is concerned that the proposed CIP-015-1 Requirement R3 does not clearly limit the scope of data required to be collected and stored by the Responsible Entity, which could lead to voluminous amounts of data being collected and stored leading to unintended cost implications. EEI proposes revising the draft R3 language as follows:

“Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) to retain, **with sufficient detail and duration**, (*remove*: network communications data and other meta data) INSM data (*remove*: collected with sufficient detail and duration) **evaluated** (*remove*: to support the analysis) in support of Requirement 1, Part 1.3 **and determined by the Responsible Entity to be anomalous and require action**, except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances.”

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jesus Sammy Alcaraz - Imperial Irrigation District - 1

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

The proposed language in R1 1.3 and R3 is ambiguous and should be revised. Implementation time frame is too restrictive taking into consideration the substantial efforts and undertaking of this project.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Donna Wood - Tri-State G and T Association, Inc. - 1

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Tri-State agrees with the comments below:

AES is concerned with the current language in R3. The amount of data needing to be collected and stored just for an audit cycle would be extremely voluminous and overly expensive.

AES believes that the data to be retained should be limited to network communications and other related data that is part of an investigated alert. Full capture of network and other related communications data would be an administrative and a cost burden without providing any additional security or reliability to the Bulk Electric System.

To achieve the retention of meaningful INSM Data and to eliminate the administrative and economic burdens of retaining unmeaningful INSM data, [Member] suggests modifying Requirement parts R1.2 and R1.3 to read:

*1.2. Implement one or more method(s) to detect **and alert** on anomalous network activity using the data collected at locations identified in Part 1.1.*

*1.3. Implement one or more method(s) and evaluate activity detected in Part 1.2 to **determine if a Cyber Security Incident has occurred**.*

Based on the determination made in 1.3, AES suggests two options:

Option 1:

Where the evaluation of detected anomalous or unauthorized network activity made in Part 1.3 is determined to be a Cyber Security Incident, the Responsible Entity shall initiate activities identified in its CIP-008 Cyber Security Response Plan. By doing this we would eliminate the potential for double jeopardy with duplicative Requirements in CIP-008 and CIP-015. To achieve this [Member] suggests eliminating CIP-015 R3 and adding a new sub part 1.4 a to read:

1.4. When detected anomalous or unauthorized network activity is determined to be a Cyber Security Incident (reportable or attempt to compromise), the Responsible Entity shall initiate activities identified in its CIP-008 Cyber Security Incident Response Plan.

The existing CIP-008 activities would include a response or mitigation of the Cyber Security Incident (CIP-008 R1.1) identified as a result of the activities performed in CIP-015-1 R1. CIP-008 R2.3 would also include activities needing to be performed to address data collection and retention of network communications data and other meta data that is currently proposed in CIP-015-1 R3.

Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	
Ellese Murphy - Duke Energy - 1,3,5,6 - Texas RE,SERC,RF	
Answer	No
Document Name	
Comment	
Duke Energy suggests additional clarification on the retention expectation for R3 and removal of the language "sufficient detail and duration". We would suggest this alternative language "Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) to retain network communications data collected to complete the analysis in Requirement R1, Part 1.3 and to execute their Cyber Security Incident response plan where required.	

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jason Chandler - Con Ed - Consolidated Edison Co. of New York - 6

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Amy Wilke - American Transmission Company, LLC - 1

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Is there an intended difference between "INSM data collected" as referenced in R2 when compared to "network communications data and other meta data collected" as referenced in R3? If this is the same thing, ATC supports the intent of the requirement, but requests consideration of using consistent terminology for clarity.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Teresa Krabe - Lower Colorado River Authority - 5

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

LCRA would like to acknowledge that storage capability will most likely be a function of cost. Additionally, establishing bright-line parameters for length of time data should be kept could present challenges to entities due to the dynamic nature of logging and alerting. Scenarios may exist when storage becomes full after only 3 months when it typically takes 12.

This will likely be more of a function of cost versus want. Depending on number of alerts and need to keep for entire audit period.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

James Baldwin - James Baldwin On Behalf of: Matt Lewis, Lower Colorado River Authority, 5, 1; - James Baldwin

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

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Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Erik Gustafson - PNM Resources - Public Service Company of New Mexico - 1,3 - WECC,Texas RE

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

PNMR agrees with R3, but to more closely align with R2, which states entities must protect INSM Data, PNMR believes the language of R3 should read:

“Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) to retain INSM data collected with sufficient detail and duration to support the analysis in Requirement R1, Part 1.3, except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances.”

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Brian Millard - Tennessee Valley Authority - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name TVA RBB

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

The standard does not provide sufficient minimum expectations for what the CEA will likely find sufficient.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Mark Garza - FirstEnergy - FirstEnergy Corporation - 4, Group Name FE Voter

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

No additional comments

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Cain Braveheart - Bonneville Power Administration - 1,3,5,6 - WECC

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

BPA recommends that a suggested minimum retention parameter be included in the Technical Rationale. BPA believes this would be in alignment with language cited in CIP-007 R4, 90-day event log retentions.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Michael Johnson - Michael Johnson On Behalf of: Frank Lee, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Marco Rios, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Sandra Ellis, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; - Michael Johnson, Group Name PG&E All Segments

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

PG&E agrees the modifications are clear on the intent.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Colin Chilcoat - Invenergy LLC - 6

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennie Wike - Jennie Wike On Behalf of: Hien Ho, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; John Nierenberg, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; Ozan Ferrin, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; Terry Gifford, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; - Jennie Wike, Group Name Tacoma Power

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Tim Kelley - Tim Kelley On Behalf of: Charles Norton, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Foung Mua, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Kevin Smith, Balancing Authority of Northern California, 1; Nicole Looney, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Ryder Couch, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Wei Shao, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; - Tim Kelley, Group Name SMUD and BANC

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Steven Rueckert - Western Electricity Coordinating Council - 10, Group Name WECC CIP

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Wayne Sipperly - North American Generator Forum - 5 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alan Kloster - Alan Kloster On Behalf of: Jeremy Harris, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Kevin Frick, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Marcus Moor, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Tiffany Lake, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; - Alan Kloster

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

C. A. Campbell - LS Power Development, LLC - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alyssia Rhoads - Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Karen Artola - CPS Energy - 1,3,5 - Texas RE

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Gail Golden - Entergy - Entergy Services, Inc. - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

James Keele - Entergy - 3

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Wendy Kalidass - U.S. Bureau of Reclamation - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Tristan Miller - CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC - 1 - Texas RE

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Buckman - Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Co. - 3,5,6 - RF

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Patricia Lynch - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Alison Nickells - NiSource - Northern Indiana Public Service Co. - 1,3,5,6	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Martin Sidor - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	

Dislikes 0

Response

Junji Yamaguchi - Hydro-Quebec (HQ) - 1,5

Answer

Document Name

Comment

R3 The standard is not clear on a timeline for assessment or how long the INSM information should be retained or a timeline for assessment.

TFIST is unclear on what “sufficient detail and duration” mean and if these words are necessary.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Rachel Coyne - Texas Reliability Entity, Inc. - 10

Answer

Document Name

Comment

Texas RE is concerned that not establishing guidelines or thresholds for minimum retention periods, this requirement would be a challenge to comply with, audit, and enforce consistently. Texas RE notes that FERC Order No. 887 specifically identifies the need to “maintain . . . logs, and other data collected, regarding network traffic” as key security objective for the implementation of an effective INSM program. Failure to maintain evidence of the collection of log data renders this security objective essentially unenforceable.

Texas RE concedes that a blanket requirement to retain logs may not be appropriate to meet this security objective. For example, from a storage perspective it would be very expensive to require network traffic of full system backups to be stored for 90 days. Likewise, from a threat perspective this is known and expected traffic and would be of minimal benefit to store. As such, Texas RE recommends adding language to the requirement for Registered Entities to explicitly define types of traffic that will not be required to be retained. Registered Entities could write into their program that expected traffic will be excluded from storage and retention requirements. However, this expectation should be clear from the requirement language itself, and the burden placed on entities to carefully define and demonstrate they are accomplishing the FERC-mandated security objective to retain maintain sufficient logs regarding network traffic so that can detect anomalous events and effectively demonstrate compliance with that expectation.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Ruchi Shah - AES - AES Corporation - 5

Answer

Document Name

Comment

AES is concerned with the current language in R3. The amount of data needing to be collected and stored just for an audit cycle would be extremely voluminous and overly expensive.

AES believes that the data to be retained should be limited to network communications and other related data that is part of an investigated alert. Full capture of network and other related communications data would be an administrative and a cost burden without providing any additional security or reliability to the Bulk Electric System.

To achieve the retention of meaningful INSM Data and to eliminate the administrative and economic burdens of retaining unmeaningful INSM data, [Member] suggests modifying Requirement parts R1.2 and R1.3 to read:

*1.2. Implement one or more method(s) to detect **and alert** on anomalous network activity using the data collected at locations identified in Part 1.1.*

*1.3. Implement one or more method(s) and evaluate activity detected in Part 1.2 to **determine if a Cyber Security Incident has occurred.***

Based on the determination made in 1.3, AES suggests two options:

Option 1:

Where the evaluation of detected anomalous or unauthorized network activity made in Part 1.3 is determined to be a Cyber Security Incident, the Responsible Entity shall initiate activities identified in its CIP-008 Cyber Security Response Plan. By doing this we would eliminate the potential for double jeopardy with duplicative Requirements in CIP-008 and CIP-015. To achieve this [Member] suggests eliminating CIP-015 R3 and adding a new sub part 1.4 a to read:

1.4. When detected anomalous or unauthorized network activity is determined to be a Cyber Security Incident (reportable or attempt to compromise), the Responsible Entity shall initiate activities identified in its CIP-008 Cyber Security Incident Response Plan.

The existing CIP-008 activities would include a response or mitigation of the Cyber Security Incident (CIP-008 R1.1) identified as a result of the activities performed in CIP-015-1 R1. CIP-008 R2.3 would also include activities needing to be performed to address data collection and retention of network communications data and other meta data that is currently proposed in CIP-015-1 R3.

Option 2:

If the drafting team does not agree with Option 1, AES suggests modifying R3 to read:

*R3: Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) to retain network communications data and other meta data with sufficient detail and duration **collected as part of the response to an investigated alert initiated from the analysis performed in Requirement R1, Part 1.3,** except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances.*

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

9. Do you agree with the Implementation Plan for proposed CIP-015-1 that requires compliance within 36 months for applicable systems located at Control Centers and backup Control Centers and 60 months for applicable systems not located at Control Centers? If you do not agree, please provide your recommendation, and if appropriate, technical, or procedural justification.

Ruchi Shah - AES - AES Corporation - 5

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

AES agrees with the proposed Implementation Plan but would not support a shorter timeline for Control Centers or applicable BCS.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Buckman - Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Co. - 3,5,6 - RF

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

No, Southern Indiana Gas & Electric (SIGE) does not agree with the implementation plan because implementation in generation and substation facilities will be extremely time consuming. Implementation within a high or medium Control Center will also be time consuming in order to ensure communications are not interrupted or adversely affected. Entities will also have to consider the fact that during this implementation period, there will most likely be system upgrades/replacements that have to be completed concurrent with the implementation of these new requirements. SIGE suggests revising the time period to 48 months for applicable systems located at Control Centers and backup Control Centers and 72 months for applicable systems not located at Control Centers.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Tristan Miller - CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC - 1 - Texas RE

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

No, CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric (CEHE) does not agree with the implementation plan because implementation in substation facilities will be extremely time consuming. Implementation within a high impact Control Center will also be time consuming in order to ensure communications are not

interrupted or adversely affected. Entities will also have to consider the fact that during this implementation period, there will most likely be system upgrades/replacements that have to be completed concurrent with the implementation of these new requirements. CEHE suggests revising the time period to 48 months for applicable systems located at Control Centers and backup Control Centers and 72 months for applicable systems not located at Control Centers.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jesus Sammy Alcaraz - Imperial Irrigation District - 1

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Implementation time frame is too restrictive taking into consideration the substantial efforts and undertaking of this project.. The undertaking will demand significant effort, substantial capital investment and additional staffing.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Cain Braveheart - Bonneville Power Administration - 1,3,5,6 - WECC

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

BPA reiterates its comments from the previous comment period regarding the proposed implementation plan timeline.

BPA's previous comments: "After reviewing the new requirement language in CIP-015-1, BPA believes more time will be required to implement an INSM program. This takes into consideration the initial effort needed to create new processes and plans for INSM, procure new equipment (availability of vendors, products, and potential supply chain issues), modify networks, gather network information, and implement capabilities to consume network information and perform the necessary analysis. With that said, BPA recommends the SDT revise the implementation plan to state '60 months for high impact cyber systems (located at Control Centers and backup Control Centers), with an additional 24 months for medium impact cyber systems with ERC.'"

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Tidwell - Southern Company - Southern Company Services, Inc. - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name Southern Company

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Southern Company agrees with the feedback by EEI.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Adrian Andreoiu - BC Hydro and Power Authority - 1, Group Name BC Hydro

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

This Standard's implementation as drafted can be very time and cost intensive due to language in R3 as commented in response to Question #8 above.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Israel Perez - Israel Perez On Behalf of: Mathew Weber, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Sarah Blankenship, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Thomas Johnson, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Timothy Singh, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; - Israel Perez

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

SRP would need for the questions above to be answered and the standard to be clearer before we can make a determination on a timeline. Currently the standard is written as a Subjective standard vs. an Objective standard and additional clarity would be needed.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Michael Johnson - Michael Johnson On Behalf of: Frank Lee, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Marco Rios, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Sandra Ellis, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; - Michael Johnson, Group Name PG&E All Segments

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

PG&E agrees with the Implementation Plan timing.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Rachel Schuldt - Black Hills Corporation - 6, Group Name Black Hills Corporation - All Segments

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Black Hills Corporation agrees with EEI comments: EEI agrees with the proposed CIP-015-1 Implementation Plan that requires compliance within 36 months for applicable systems located at Control Centers and backup Control Centers and 60 months for applicable systems not located at Control Centers as it supports Registered Entities ability to prioritize implementation in accordance with reliability risk, and considers the challenges posed by the limited pool of vendors, time required to identify and implement data feeds, the analysis of results and necessary testing, and adjustments for the implementation of INSM.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Andy Fuhrman - Andy Fuhrman On Behalf of: Theresa Allard, Minnkota Power Cooperative Inc., 1; - Andy Fuhrman

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

MPC supports comments submitted by the MRO NERC Standards Review Forum.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Anna Martinson - MRO - 1,2,3,4,5,6 - MRO, Group Name MRO Group

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

MRO NSRF agrees with the proposed Implementation Plan but would not support a shorter timeline for Control Centers or applicable BCS.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Mark Garza - FirstEnergy - FirstEnergy Corporation - 4, Group Name FE Voter

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

No additional comments

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Richard Vendetti - NextEra Energy - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

NEE support's EEI's comment(s): EEI agrees with the proposed CIP-015-1 Implementation Plan that requires compliance within 36 months for applicable systems located at Control Centers and backup Control Centers and 60 months for applicable systems not located at Control Centers as it supports Registered Entities ability to prioritize implementation in accordance with reliability risk, and considers the challenges posed by the limited pool of vendors, time required to identify and implement data feeds, the analysis of results and necessary testing, and adjustments for the implementation of INSM

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

David Jendras Sr - Ameren - Ameren Services - 3

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Ameren agrees with and supports EEI comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Dwanique Spiller - Berkshire Hathaway - NV Energy - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

BHE agrees with the proposed CIP-015-1 Implementation Plan that requires compliance within 36 months for applicable systems located at Control Centers and backup Control Centers and 60 months for applicable systems not located at Control Centers as it supports Registered Entities ability to prioritize implementation in accordance with reliability risk, and considers the challenges posed by the limited pool of vendors, time required to identify and implement data feeds, the analysis of results and necessary testing, and adjustments for the implementation of INSM.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Glen Farmer - Avista - Avista Corporation - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

EEI agrees with the proposed CIP-015-1 Implementation Plan that requires compliance within 36 months for applicable systems located at Control Centers and backup Control Centers and 60 months for applicable systems not located at Control Centers as it supports Registered Entities ability to prioritize implementation in accordance with reliability risk, and considers the challenges posed by the limited pool of vendors, time required to identify and implement data feeds, the analysis of results and necessary testing, and adjustments for the implementation of INSM.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Robert Blackney - Edison International - Southern California Edison Company - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

See comments submitted by the Edison Electric Institute.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Kinte Whitehead - Exelon - 3

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Exelon is aliging with the EEI in response to this question.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Daniel Gacek - Exelon - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Exelon supports the comments submitted by the EEI for this question.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Marcus Sabo - Marcus Sabo On Behalf of: Michael Moltane, International Transmission Company Holdings Corporation, 1; - Marcus Sabo

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

ITC supports EEI's comments on this project.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Constantin Chitescu - Ontario Power Generation Inc. - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

OPG supports NPCC Regional Standards Committee's comments:

"NPCC RSC agrees with the implementation plan."

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Hillary Creurer - Allete - Minnesota Power, Inc. - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Minnesota Power supports EEI's comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Katrina Lyons - Georgia System Operations Corporation - 4

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Georgia System Operations Corporation supports ACES comments: "While ACES does not oppose a 36 month implementation plan, ACES believes the INSM OT industry and ERO lack sufficient SMEs to get this implemented fully by all entities across the ERO in 36 months. ACES feels there needs to be an extension provision in the implementation plan."	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Marie Potter - Marie Potter On Behalf of: Alison MacKellar, Constellation, 5, 6; Kimberly Turco, Constellation, 5, 6; - Marie Potter	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Constellation feels strongly that more than 18 calendar months is needed for implementation.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Kristine Martz - Edison Electric Institute - NA - Not Applicable - NA - Not Applicable	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
EEI agrees with the proposed CIP-015-1 Implementation Plan that requires compliance within 36 months for applicable systems located at Control Centers and backup Control Centers and 60 months for applicable systems not located at Control Centers as it supports Registered Entities ability to prioritize implementation in accordance with reliability risk, and considers the challenges posed by the limited pool of vendors, time required to identify and implement data feeds, the analysis of results and necessary testing, and adjustments for the implementation of INSM.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	

Lindsay Wickizer - Berkshire Hathaway - PacifiCorp - 6**Answer** Yes**Document Name****Comment**

BHE agrees with the proposed CIP-015-1 Implementation Plan that requires compliance within 36 months for applicable systems located at Control Centers and backup Control Centers and 60 months for applicable systems not located at Control Centers as it supports Registered Entities ability to prioritize implementation in accordance with reliability risk, and considers the challenges posed by the limited pool of vendors, time required to identify and implement data feeds, the analysis of results and necessary testing, and adjustments for the implementation of INSM.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Martin Sidor - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6****Answer** Yes**Document Name****Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Alison Nickells - NiSource - Northern Indiana Public Service Co. - 1,3,5,6****Answer** Yes**Document Name****Comment**

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response**Patricia Lynch - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6****Answer** Yes

Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Ellese Murphy - Duke Energy - 1,3,5,6 - Texas RE,SERC,RF	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Donna Wood - Tri-State G and T Association, Inc. - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Wendy Kalidass - U.S. Bureau of Reclamation - 5	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	

Response

James Keele - Entergy - 3

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Gail Golden - Entergy - Entergy Services, Inc. - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Larry Snow - Cogentrix Energy Power Management, LLC - NA - Not Applicable - Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Karen Artola - CPS Energy - 1,3,5 - Texas RE

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alyssia Rhoads - Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

C. A. Campbell - LS Power Development, LLC - 5

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Anton Vu - Los Angeles Department of Water and Power - 6

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Robert Follini - Avista - Avista Corporation - 3

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jason Chandler - Con Ed - Consolidated Edison Co. of New York - 6

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Brian Millard - Tennessee Valley Authority - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name TVA RBB

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Erik Gustafson - PNM Resources - Public Service Company of New Mexico - 1,3 - WECC,Texas RE

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Andrew Smith - APS - Arizona Public Service Co. - 5

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Monika Montez - California ISO - 2 - WECC, Group Name ISO/RTO Council Standards Review Committee (SRC)

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Roger Perkins - Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative - 1

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Kennedy Meier - Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. - 2

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Roger Fradenburgh - Roger Fradenburgh On Behalf of: Nick Lauriat, Network and Security Technologies, 1; - Roger Fradenburgh

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alan Kloster - Alan Kloster On Behalf of: Jeremy Harris, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Kevin Frick, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Marcus Moor, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Tiffany Lake, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; - Alan Kloster

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Wayne Sipperly - North American Generator Forum - 5 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Bray - Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. - 1

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Tim Kelley - Tim Kelley On Behalf of: Charles Norton, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Fong Mua, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Kevin Smith, Balancing Authority of Northern California, 1; Nicole Looney, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Ryder Couch, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Wei Shao, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; - Tim Kelley, Group Name SMUD and BANC

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Sean Bodkin - Dominion - Dominion Resources, Inc. - 6, Group Name Dominion

Answer

Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response	
Jennie Wike - Jennie Wike On Behalf of: Hien Ho, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; John Nierenberg, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; Ozan Ferrin, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; Terry Gifford, Tacoma Public Utilities (Tacoma, WA), 1, 4, 5, 6, 3; - Jennie Wike, Group Name Tacoma Power	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
James Baldwin - James Baldwin On Behalf of: Matt Lewis, Lower Colorado River Authority, 5, 1; - James Baldwin	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Chris Carnesi - Chris Carnesi On Behalf of: Dennis Sismaet, Northern California Power Agency, 4, 6, 3, 5; - Chris Carnesi	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Clay Walker - Cleco Corporation - 1,3,5,6 - SERC	
Answer	Yes

Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Teresa Krabe - Lower Colorado River Authority - 5	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Amy Wilke - American Transmission Company, LLC - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Alain Mukama - Hydro One Networks, Inc. - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	

Response

Mia Wilson - Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (RTO) - 2 - MRO,WECC

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Colin Chilcoat - Invenergy LLC - 6

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jodirah Green - ACES Power Marketing - 1,3,4,5,6 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,SERC,RF, Group Name ACES Collaborators

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Todd Bennett - Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. - 3, Group Name AECl

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Steven Rueckert - Western Electricity Coordinating Council - 10, Group Name WECC CIP	
Answer	
Document Name	
Comment	
WECC defers to the comments by the applicable entites on the Implementation Plan	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Junji Yamaguchi - Hydro-Quebec (HQ) - 1,5	
Answer	
Document Name	
Comment	
Was not discussed on 3/7/2024 meeting.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	

10. Do you agree that the proposed CIP-015-1 is a cost-effective way to meet the reliability goal/FERC directives? If you do not agree, please provide your recommendation, and if appropriate, technical, or procedural justification.

Lindsay Wickizer - Berkshire Hathaway - PacifiCorp - 6

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Current proposed version and changes leave technical requirements not defined enough to allow BHE to determine whether there is a way to meet CIP-015 with a cost-effective implementation.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Todd Bennett - Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. - 3, Group Name AECI

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

More clarity within the requirements is needed to determine cost-effectiveness of needed controls.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Israel Perez - Israel Perez On Behalf of: Mathew Weber, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Sarah Blankenship, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Thomas Johnson, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Timothy Singh, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; - Israel Perez

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

This standard will require substantial investments in infrastructure to accomplish the monitoring objects, as well as additional personnel to provide adequate monitoring coverage and support of these systems and associated compliance requirements. A more flexible standard that incorporates monitoring from the endpoint would align more closely with existing security monitoring initiatives. Cost-effectiveness is not possible to determine with the limited clarifications at this time. More information is needed.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jodirah Green - ACES Power Marketing - 1,3,4,5,6 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,SERC,RF, Group Name ACES Collaborators

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

ACES is still looking for the gap this standard is going to close or reduce. No quantitative or qualitative analysis have been provided to industry. There is a report that states there is a potential threat which has always been there. We do not feel leaning on the Solarwinds, cited in the SAR, supply chain incident as a measure to introduce INSM to the CIP standards is the right direction. Solarwinds has INSM and they didn't detect the intrusion. Microsoft was also hit in the incident, has INSM, but also did not detect the intrusion. Mandiant, one of the most respected cybersecurity firms in the world, was also hit by the incident. Mandiant had their crown jewels stolen and they have INSM. Mandiant, also the discoverer of the intrusion, did not detect

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Katrina Lyons - Georgia System Operations Corporation - 4

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Georgia System Operations Corporation supports ACES comments:

"ACES is still looking for the gap this standard is going to close or reduce. No quantitative or qualitative analysis have been provided to industry. There is a report that states there is a potential threat which has always been there. We do not feel leaning on the Solarwinds, cited in the SAR, supply chain incident as a measure to introduce INSM to the CIP standards is the right direction. Solarwinds has INSM and they didn't detect the intrusion. Microsoft was also hit in the incident, has INSM, but also did not detect the intrusion. Mandiant, one of the most respected cybersecurity firms in the world, was also hit by the incident. Mandiant had their crown jewels stolen and they have INSM. Mandiant, also the discoverer of the intrusion, did not detect the intrusion using INSM. A Mandiant IT administrator questioned an odd request for MFA credentials and through the investigation of the request, Mandiant discovered a much larger issue.

INSM is also riddled with false positives and will require more SMEs, especially at smaller Entities which are already resource constrained.

To really answer if this is cost effective the ERO would need to know:

- The risk needing to be reduced or closed
- How long it will take the ERO OT system vendors to get in line with the ERO from an INSM baseline communications perspective
- How much vendors will increase prices due to INSM requirements
- Implementation capital cost
- Annual Operation and Maintenance cost
- How many vendors whom can perform the implementations before causing the INSM market costs to soar due to the 36 month implementation plan

Market analysis of SMEs needed to manage INSM as required"

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Mia Wilson - Southwest Power Pool, Inc. (RTO) - 2 - MRO,WECC

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

SPP asks the SDT to consider the potential cost that may arise from the scope of these requirements. As noted in other supporting documents related to INSM, the costs associated with capturing, analyzing, managing, and storing of all INSM data and metadata for any length of time will be substantial

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Adrian Andreoiu - BC Hydro and Power Authority - 1, Group Name BC Hydro

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Please refer to comments in Question #8 above.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Dwanique Spiller - Berkshire Hathaway - NV Energy - 5

Answer

No

Document Name

Comment

Current proposed version and changes leave technical requirements not defined enough to allow BHE to determine whether there is a way to meet CIP-015 with a cost-effective implementation.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Chris Carnesi - Chris Carnesi On Behalf of: Dennis Sismaet, Northern California Power Agency, 4, 6, 3, 5; - Chris Carnesi

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

No, NCPA would need further analysis to detertime the cost effecivness of the proposed standard.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Bray - Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. - 1

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

AEPC has signed on to ACES comments:

ACES is still looking for the gap this standard is going to close or reduce. No quantitative or qualitative analysis have been provided to industry. There is a report that states there is a potential threat which has always been there. We do not feel leaning on the Solarwinds, cited in the SAR, supply chain incident as a measure to introduce INSM to the CIP standards is the right direction. Solarwinds has INSM and they didn't detect the intrusion. Microsoft was also hit in the incident, has INSM, but also did not detect the intrusion. Mandiant, one of the most respected cybersecurity firms in the world, was also hit by the incident. Mandiant had their crown jewels stolen and they have INSM. Mandiant, also the discoverer of the intrusion, did not detect the intrusion using INSM. A Mandiant IT administrator questioned an odd request for MFA credentials and through the investigation of the request, Mandiant discovered a much larger issue.

INSM is also riddled with false positives and will require more SMEs, especially at smaller Entities which are already resource constrained.

To really answer if this is cost effective the ERO would need to know:

1. The risk needing to be reduced or closed
2. How long it will take the ERO OT system vendors to get in line with the ERO from an INSM baseline communications perspective
3. How much vendors will increase prices due to INSM requirements
4. Implementation capital cost

- 5. Annual Operation and Maintenance cost
- 6. How many vendors whom can perform the implementations before causing the INSM market costs to soar due to the 36 month implementation plan
- 7. Market analysis of SMEs needed to manage INSM as required

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Wayne Sipperly - North American Generator Forum - 5 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

GO/GOPs will need more information to adequately assess the cost effectiveness of the proposed approach.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Kennedy Meier - Electric Reliability Council of Texas, Inc. - 2

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

ERCOT joins the comments submitted by the IRC SRC and adopts them as its own.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Roger Perkins - Southern Maryland Electric Cooperative - 1

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

SMECO agrees with ACES comments:

ACES is still looking for the gap this standard is going to close or reduce. No quantitative or qualitative analysis have been provided to industry. There is a report that states there is a potential threat which has always been there. We do not feel leaning on the Solarwinds, cited in the SAR, supply chain incident as a measure to introduce INSM to the CIP standards is the right direction. Solarwinds has INSM and they didn't detect the intrusion. Microsoft was also hit in the incident, has INSM, but also did not detect the intrusion. Mandiant, one of the most respected cybersecurity firms in the world, was also hit by the incident. Mandiant had their crown jewels stolen and they have INSM. Mandiant, also the discoverer of the intrusion, did not detect

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Monika Montez - California ISO - 2 - WECC, Group Name ISO/RTO Council Standards Review Committee (SRC)

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

The SRC is concerned that the issues identified in its responses to questions 4 and 8 could materially impact the cost of meeting the underlying reliability goal and FERC directives. Specifically, if Requirement R1 is not clarified as discussed in the SRC's response to question 4, Responsible Entities may have to incur costs to upgrade or replace equipment that uses nonstandard communication protocols for which no effective INSM technology exists. If Requirement R3 is not clarified as discussed in the SRC's response to question 8, Responsible Entities may need to incur the costs of storing large quantities of data for the duration of the three-year CIP-015-1 evidence retention period.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Wendy Kalidass - U.S. Bureau of Reclamation - 5

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Reclamation recommends minimizing churn among standard versions and clearly identify the scope; Reclamation also recommends the DT take additional time to coordinate the modifications with other existing drafting teams for related standards. This will help minimize the costs associated with the planning and adjustments required to achieve compliance with frequently changing requirements. Reclamation will need more information to adequately assess the cost effectiveness of the proposed approach.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Donna Wood - Tri-State G and T Association, Inc. - 1

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Without further study the costs associated cannot be determined at this time.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Michael Johnson - Michael Johnson On Behalf of: Frank Lee, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Marco Rios, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Sandra Ellis, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; - Michael Johnson, Group Name PG&E All Segments

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

PG&E does not have any current way to judge the cost-effectiveness of these requirements until the modifications have been approved.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Tristan Miller - CenterPoint Energy Houston Electric, LLC - 1 - Texas RE

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

No, without further study, CEHE believes the costs associated with the new requirements cannot be determined. Some substation facilities will require equipment replacement in order to meet these requirements. It may take an unknown number of man-hours to evaluate and identify collection locations and methods to collect data. Entities will most likely have to add additional personnel in order to maintain compliance with the ongoing requirements to review the data collected for anomalous activity.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Buckman - Southern Indiana Gas and Electric Co. - 3,5,6 - RF

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

No, without further study, SIGE believes the costs associated with the new requirements cannot be determined. Some generation and substation facilities will require equipment replacement in order to meet these requirements. It may take an unknown number of man-hours to evaluate and identify collection locations and methods to collect data. Entities will most likely have to add additional personnel in order to maintain compliance with the ongoing requirements to review the data collected for anomalous activity.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alison Nickells - NiSource - Northern Indiana Public Service Co. - 1,3,5,6

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

NIPSCO has not determined whether this will be cost effective. The procurement process for a tool(s) and resources will be initiated should the requirement language remain as is.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Ruchi Shah - AES - AES Corporation - 5

Answer No

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Erik Gustafson - PNM Resources - Public Service Company of New Mexico - 1,3 - WECC,Texas RE

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Dependent on product purchased, staff augmentation, and size of utility, the impact of the cost to implement INSM would vary greatly.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Mark Garza - FirstEnergy - FirstEnergy Corporation - 4, Group Name FE Voter

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

No additional comments

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Colin Chilcoat - Invenergy LLC - 6

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alain Mukama - Hydro One Networks, Inc. - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Amy Wilke - American Transmission Company, LLC - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Teresa Krabe - Lower Colorado River Authority - 5	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
James Baldwin - James Baldwin On Behalf of: Matt Lewis, Lower Colorado River Authority, 5, 1; - James Baldwin	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	

Response	
Tim Kelley - Tim Kelley On Behalf of: Charles Norton, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Fong Mua, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Kevin Smith, Balancing Authority of Northern California, 1; Nicole Looney, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Ryder Couch, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Wei Shao, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; - Tim Kelley, Group Name SMUD and BANC	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Andrew Smith - APS - Arizona Public Service Co. - 5	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Brian Millard - Tennessee Valley Authority - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name TVA RBB	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Jennifer Tidwell - Southern Company - Southern Company Services, Inc. - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name Southern Company	

Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Robert Follini - Avista - Avista Corporation - 3	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Anton Vu - Los Angeles Department of Water and Power - 6	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Alyssia Rhoads - Public Utility District No. 1 of Snohomish County - 1	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	

Dislikes 0

Response

Karen Artola - CPS Energy - 1,3,5 - Texas RE

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Andy Fuhrman - Andy Fuhrman On Behalf of: Theresa Allard, Minnkota Power Cooperative Inc., 1; - Andy Fuhrman

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Larry Snow - Cogentrix Energy Power Management, LLC - NA - Not Applicable - Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF

Answer Yes

Document Name

Comment

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jesus Sammy Alcaraz - Imperial Irrigation District - 1

Answer Yes

Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Ellese Murphy - Duke Energy - 1,3,5,6 - Texas RE,SERC,RF	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Patricia Lynch - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Martin Sidor - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6	
Answer	Yes
Document Name	
Comment	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	

Response

Marie Potter - Marie Potter On Behalf of: Alison MacKellar, Constellation, 5, 6; Kimberly Turco, Constellation, 5, 6; - Marie Potter

Answer

Document Name

Comment

GO/GOPs will need more information to adequately assess the cost effectiveness of the proposed approach.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Junji Yamaguchi - Hydro-Quebec (HQ) - 1,5

Answer

Document Name

Comment

Was not discussed on 3/7/2024 meeting.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Steven Rueckert - Western Electricity Coordinating Council - 10, Group Name WECC CIP

Answer

Document Name

Comment

WECC defers to the comments by the applicable entites on the Cost Effectiveness of the Standard.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Roger Fradenburgh - Roger Fradenburgh On Behalf of: Nick Lauriat, Network and Security Technologies, 1; - Roger Fradenburgh

Answer

Document Name

Comment

NST lacks the information necessary to comment on this question.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

David Jendras Sr - Ameren - Ameren Services - 3

Answer

Document Name

Comment

Ameren has no comment on the cost effectiveness of the project.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Richard Vendetti - NextEra Energy - 5

Answer

Document Name

Comment

NEE does not comment on cost.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Cain Braveheart - Bonneville Power Administration - 1,3,5,6 - WECC

Answer

Document Name**Comment**

BPA reiterates its comments from the previous comment period regarding cost-effectiveness.

BPA's previous comments: BPA cannot determine cost effectiveness at this point. It is difficult to make such a determination when new/revised requirements may constitute the acquisition of new technology, equipment, and staff training.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Anna Martinson - MRO - 1,2,3,4,5,6 - MRO, Group Name MRO Group

Answer**Document Name****Comment**

MRO NSRF has no comment on the cost effectiveness of the proposed changes.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

C. A. Campbell - LS Power Development, LLC - 5

Answer**Document Name****Comment**

No. From a generation facility perspective, this would be a heavy lift and substantial cost burden. As indicated on the INSM survey submitted last year, owners with multiple assets (especially generaiton) do not have baked-in cost recovery mechanisms. LS Power Development recommends referring to survey responses, specifically those from GO/GOPs. IT/OT support services at the plant level is a relatively newer initiative, and network infrastructure requirements per CIP-015 (though practical and good cyber security practice) are still crippling cost-wise. Other than performing a study to realize the actual risks to generation facilities, there presently isn't sufficient justificaiton.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Gail Golden - Entergy - Entergy Services, Inc. - 5

Answer

Document Name

Comment

Will need to research a solution to see if it is cost effective.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

James Keele - Entergy - 3

Answer

Document Name

Comment

Will need to research a solution to see if it is cost effective.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Rachel Schuldt - Black Hills Corporation - 6, Group Name Black Hills Corporation - All Segments

Answer

Document Name

Comment

Black Hills Corporation will not comment on cost effectiveness.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

11. Please provide any additional comments for the DT to consider, if desired.

Patricia Lynch - NRG - NRG Energy, Inc. - 5,6

Answer

Document Name

Comment

none

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Michael Johnson - Michael Johnson On Behalf of: Frank Lee, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Marco Rios, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; Sandra Ellis, Pacific Gas and Electric Company, 3, 1, 5; - Michael Johnson, Group Name PG&E All Segments

Answer

Document Name

Comment

PG&E thanks the DT for their consideration of the industry's input which included the creation of CIP-015 and the modifications from the last ballot.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Donna Wood - Tri-State G and T Association, Inc. - 1

Answer

Document Name

Comment

NA

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Wendy Kalidass - U.S. Bureau of Reclamation - 5

Answer

Document Name

Comment

Reclamation recommends adding the following definition to the NERC Glossary of Terms:

Anomaly - Condition that deviates from expectations based on requirements specifications, design documents, user documents, or standards, or from someone's perceptions or experiences.

Reclamation appreciates the DT's efforts to incorporate the NIST Framework into the NERC Standards. Reclamation encourages the DT to continue this practice to ensure that NERC standards do not duplicate requirements contained within the NIST Framework.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Rachel Schuldt - Black Hills Corporation - 6, Group Name Black Hills Corporation - All Segments

Answer

Document Name

Comment

Black Hills Corporation repeats EEI's comments: EEI requests a review of the Section 4 Applicability due to the exclusion of Generator Owners in the current proposed draft Standard. In addition, please review 4.2.1.2 as it refers to Special Protection Systems (SPS), not Remedial Action Schemes (RAS).

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Larry Snow - Cogentrix Energy Power Management, LLC - NA - Not Applicable - Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF

Answer

Document Name

Comment

Cogentrix recommends a longer comment period for a new standard(s). This compressed comment period does not provide commentors with enough time to adequately assess the proposed language of the standard and could lead inadequate or problematic standards.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Andy Fuhrman - Andy Fuhrman On Behalf of: Theresa Allard, Minnkota Power Cooperative Inc., 1; - Andy Fuhrman

Answer

Document Name

Comment

MPC supports comments submitted by the MRO NERC Standards Review Forum.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

C. A. Campbell - LS Power Development, LLC - 5

Answer

Document Name

Comment

Thank you so much for the opportunity to comment.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Anna Martinson - MRO - 1,2,3,4,5,6 - MRO, Group Name MRO Group

Answer

Document Name

Comment

Generator Owner was left out of applicability, should be re-added.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Mark Garza - FirstEnergy - FirstEnergy Corporation - 4, Group Name FE Voter

Answer

Document Name

Comment

No additional comments

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Brian Millard - Tennessee Valley Authority - 1,3,5,6 - SERC, Group Name TVA RBB

Answer

Document Name

Comment

While TVA appreciates the flexibility afforded by the proposed risk-based language, additional clarity or assurance regarding how the CEA will approach auditing and determine sufficiency would be helpful.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Richard Vendetti - NextEra Energy - 5

Answer

Document Name

Comment

NEE support's EEL's comment(s): EI requests a review of the Section 4 Applicability due to the exclusion of Generator Owners in the current proposed draft Standard. In addition, please review 4.2.1.2 as it refers to Special Protection Systems (SPS), not Remedial Action Schemes (RAS).

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

David Jendras Sr - Ameren - Ameren Services - 3

Answer

Document Name

Comment

Ameren agrees with and supports EEI comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Roger Fradenburgh - Roger Fradenburgh On Behalf of: Nick Lauriat, Network and Security Technologies, 1; - Roger Fradenburgh

Answer

Document Name

Comment

NST respectfully offers the following comments/suggestions on the Technical Rationale document:

> The document includes several statements about compliance that seem to have been written as statements of fact. Three examples, numbered for reference purposes, are:

(1) "Suppressing and enabling alerts in alignment with operational activities is a sign of a mature INSM system and not a cause for potential non-compliance with Requirement R1, Part 1.2 or 1.3."

(2) "Short periods of reduced visibility should not justify a potential non-compliance finding, especially when other cybersecurity monitoring is in place."

(3)"Regardless of the algorithm or terminology used, an INSM system using anomaly detection is a valid method for compliance with Requirement R1, Part 1.2."

NST believes it is beyond the SDT's purview to make such assertions, and we therefore recommend they be reworded to clarify they only represent STD opinions.

With regard to statement (1) and the idea of suspending INMS monitoring or suppressing alerts while maintenance and/or system upgrade activities are in progress, we believe a better approach to allowing an Entity to do this without risking instances of non-compliance would be to add exception language to Requirement R1 that allows for this.

> NST believes the paragraph titled, "External Networks" is confusing at best. We presume the STD's intent is to encourage Entities to implement INSM in high-value networks outside of ESP. While we are inclined to agree it might be worthwhile, we believe that by virtue of being beyond the scope of CIP-015, it should be omitted.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Alan Kloster - Alan Kloster On Behalf of: Jeremy Harris, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Kevin Frick, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Marcus Moor, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; Tiffany Lake, Evergy, 3, 5, 1, 6; - Alan Kloster

Answer

Document Name

Comment

Evergy supports and incorporates by reference the comments of the Edison Electric Institute (EEI) for question #11.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Wayne Sipperly - North American Generator Forum - 5 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,NPCC,SERC,RF

Answer

Document Name

Comment

The NAGF notes that the phrase “detecting anomalous or unauthorized activity” in section R1 is of concern as the use of the word “unauthorized” implies a program to authorize network level activity within the ESP. As a network level monitoring standard, entities will need additional context of system monitoring (such as logs) or other data (e.g., work orders for adding new devices to a network) to determine “unauthorized activity” from a detected anomaly. Also, with an “or” between them, an entity can monitor for only unauthorized and ignore anomalous traffic. As unauthorized activity is a subset of anomalous activity, we suggest striking “or unauthorized”. It is also noted that requirement part 1.2 only mentions “anomalous network activity” and this would align it with the remainder of the sub-requirements.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Jennifer Bray - Arizona Electric Power Cooperative, Inc. - 1

Answer

Document Name

Comment

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Rachel Coyne - Texas Reliability Entity, Inc. - 10

Answer

Document Name

Comment

Texas RE reiterates its concerns that this standard would be a challenge to audit and enforce consistently. In Requirement R1, the phrase “based on network security risk(s)” is vague and does not include criteria establishing the network security risks, which could lead to Parts 1.2 and 1.3 not being relevant. Second, Requirement R3 does not specify how an entity should determine the retention periods, thus leading to a vague requirement.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Tim Kelley - Tim Kelley On Behalf of: Charles Norton, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Fong Mua, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Kevin Smith, Balancing Authority of Northern California, 1; Nicole Looney, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Ryder Couch, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; Wei Shao, Sacramento Municipal Utility District, 3, 6, 4, 1, 5; - Tim Kelley, Group Name SMUD and BANC

Answer

Document Name

Comment

SMUD recommends the Standards Drafting Team (SDT) change the language in Requirement R1, Part 1.2 so that it is consistent with Requirement R1.

Requirement R1 states “Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) for internal network security monitoring (INSM) of high impact BES Cyber Systems (BCS) and medium impact BCS with External Routable Connectivity (ERC) within the Responsible Entity’s ESPs to increase the probability of *detecting anomalous or unauthorized network activity*.”

Requirement R1, Part 1.2 states “Implement one or more method(s) to *detect anomalous network activity* using the data collected at locations identified in Part 1.1.”

Although this inconsistency is minor, the SDT has the opportunity to make the change now and improve the quality of this Standard. This language change is non-substantive and could be made for the final ballot posting.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Junji Yamaguchi - Hydro-Quebec (HQ) - 1,5

Answer	
Document Name	
Comment	
We support TFIST comments	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Amy Wilke - American Transmission Company, LLC - 1	
Answer	
Document Name	
Comment	
ATC appreciates the SDT addressing ATC's comments from the previous round while maintaining an objective approach and commensurate flexibility in the requirement language.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Glen Farmer - Avista - Avista Corporation - 5	
Answer	
Document Name	
Comment	
EEI requests a review of the Section 4 Applicability due to the exclusion of Generator Owners in the current proposed draft Standard. In addition, please review 4.2.1.2 as it refers to Special Protection Systems (SPS), not Remedial Action Schemes (RAS).	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Romel Aquino - Edison International - Southern California Edison Company - 3	
Answer	

Document Name	
Comment	
See comments submitted by the Edison Electric Institute	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Kinte Whitehead - Exelon - 3	
Answer	
Document Name	
Comment	
Exelon is aliging with the EEI in response to this question.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Marie Potter - Marie Potter On Behalf of: Alison MacKellar, Constellation, 5, 6; Kimberly Turco, Constellation, 5, 6; - Marie Potter	
Answer	
Document Name	
Comment	
Constellation concurs with NAGF's comments. In addition, Constellation wants the DT to provide further guidance on anomalous or for it to be defined.	
Likes 0	
Dislikes 0	
Response	
Jodirah Green - ACES Power Marketing - 1,3,4,5,6 - MRO,WECC,Texas RE,SERC,RF, Group Name ACES Collaborators	
Answer	
Document Name	
Comment	

ACES would like to thank the SDT for all their hard work and allowing us to provide feedback

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Hillary Creurer - Allete - Minnesota Power, Inc. - 1

Answer

Document Name

Comment

Minnesota Power supports EEI's comments.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Constantin Chitescu - Ontario Power Generation Inc. - 5

Answer

Document Name

Comment

OPG supports NPCC Regional Standards Committee's comments:

"NPCC RSC recommends a longer comment period for a new standard(s). This compressed comment period does not provide commentors with enough time to adequately assess the proposed language of the standard and could lead inadequate or problematic standards."

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Marcus Sabo - Marcus Sabo On Behalf of: Michael Moltane, International Transmission Company Holdings Corporation, 1; - Marcus Sabo

Answer

Document Name

Comment

ITC supports EEI's comments on this project.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Daniel Gacek - Exelon - 1

Answer

Document Name

Comment

Exelon supports the comments submitted by the EEI for this question.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Israel Perez - Israel Perez On Behalf of: Mathew Weber, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Sarah Blankenship, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Thomas Johnson, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; Timothy Singh, Salt River Project, 3, 1, 6, 5; - Israel Perez

Answer

Document Name

Comment

The Technical rational is well written with a lot of detail, however this document from my understanding will not be part of the audit. I would like to see more in the measures, as a high-level for better understanding. Leaving it up to the entities, may still become audit bait, unless each entity writes up their rational. The standard is written a Subjective standard vs. an objective standard, this leaves it up to the entity to decide what to audit it on.

The definition anomalous activity needs to be defined; Baseline needs to be defined. Overall, there needs to be a standardized approach for auditing this requirement.

Likes 0

Dislikes 0

Response

Todd Bennett - Associated Electric Cooperative, Inc. - 3, Group Name AECI

Answer

Document Name

Comment	
The VSLs are too high for R2/R3 compared to R1. Maintaining full logs that only went back 82 days (vs 90) is potentially as or more severe than having a program in place at all (R1). The drafting team should consider a higher VSL for R1 as compared to a lower VSL for R2 & R3 as currently written.	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	
Kristine Martz - Edison Electric Institute - NA - Not Applicable - NA - Not Applicable	
Answer	
Document Name	
Comment	
EEI requests a review of the Section 4 Applicability due to the exclusion of Generator Owners in the current proposed draft Standard. In addition, please review 4.2.1.2 as it refers to Special Protection Systems (SPS), not Remedial Action Schemes (RAS).	
Likes	0
Dislikes	0
Response	

Kelly Bertholet – Manitoba Hydro

Question 1 -Yes

Comments: Manitoba Hydro supports this change as the previous conditional inclusions were a source of confusion for many.

Question 2 -Yes

Question 3 -Yes

Comments: Manitoba Hydro supports this clear direction.

Question 4 -Yes

Question 5 -Yes

Comments: Manitoba Hydro agrees with this approach, which is clear in its intent. However, there is a concern that the phrase “detecting anomalous or unauthorized network activity” in R1 does not align well with Parts 1.2 and 1.3. We recommend striking “or unauthorized” in R1 to better align with the rest of the standard and avoid confusion as to whether this criteria is “one or the other” or referring to detecting both anomalous and unauthorized network activity. As unauthorized network activity would also be anomalous, nothing would be lost with its omission.

Question 6 -Yes

Question 7 -Yes

Question 8 -No

Comments: Manitoba Hydro is concerned with the current language in R3. The amount of data needing to be collected and stored just for an audit cycle could be extremely voluminous and overly expensive. Manitoba Hydro believes that the data to be retained should be limited to network communications and other related data that is part of an investigated alert. Full capture of network and other related communications data would be an administrative and a cost burden without providing any additional security or reliability to the Bulk Electric System.

To achieve the retention of meaningful INSM Data and to eliminate the administrative and economic burdens of retaining unmeaningful INSM data, Manitoba Hydro suggests modifying R3:

Responsible Entity shall implement one or more documented process(es) to retain meta data collected to support the analysis in Requirement R1, Part 1.3, except during CIP Exceptional Circumstances.

Question 9 -Yes

Question 10 -Yes

Question 11 – Comments: Generator Owner was left out of applicability, should be re-added.