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Standards Announcement

Initial Ballot Open December 2-11, 2010

Available December 2nd at: <https://standards.nerc.net/CurrentBallots.aspx>

Project 2010-15: Expedited Revisions to CIP-005-3 (Previously Urgent Action Revisions to CIP-005)

Initial Ballot Window December 2-11, 2010

An initial ballot for CIP-005-4 – Cyber Security – Electronic Security Perimeter(s) and a non-binding poll for the new VRFs and VSLs for CIP-005-4 Requirement R6 are open through 8:00 p.m. Eastern on Saturday, December 11, 2010.

The Standards Committee directed that a Quality Review be conducted prior to the initiation of the ballot. That review resulted in some minor edits to the proposed Requirement R6 and the correction of some errors in the VSLs. Redline versions of these documents have been posted on the project Web page, showing those changes made since the standard and VSLs were posted on November 12, 2010:

http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/SAR-Urgent_Action_Revisions%20to%20CIP-005-3.html

Also, please note that this ballot is being conducted concurrently with a ballot of CIP-002-4 in an attempt to synchronize the revisions of CIP-005 with the revisions of CIP-002. This synchronization is helpful because CIP standards CIP-003 through CIP-009 each contain references to CIP-002.

During the initial ballot window, members of the ballot pool associated with this project may log in and submit their votes from the following page: <https://standards.nerc.net/CurrentBallots.aspx>

Background

The purpose of these expedited revisions is to add a requirement to identify the controls an entity must have in place before it grants remote access to Critical Cyber Assets within its Electronic Security Perimeters. This new requirement closes an identified gap in the scope of requirements aimed at protecting critical cyber assets from unauthorized access.

Next Steps

The comments submitted during the formal comment period and the ballot results will be posted.

Applicability of Standard in Project

Reliability Coordinator
Balancing Authority
Interchange Authority
Transmission Service Provider
Transmission Owner

Transmission Operator
Generator Owner
Generator Operator
Load Serving Entity
NERC
Regional Entity

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