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Standards Announcement

Two Initial Ballot Windows Open

January 5–14, 2009

Now available at: <https://standards.nerc.net/CurrentBallots.aspx>

Initial ballot windows for the following projects are now open **until 8 p.m. EST on January 14, 2009:**

Revisions to Violation Severity Levels for TOP-004-2 — Transmission Operations (Project 2008-16)

The proposed Violation Severity Levels support changes to TOP-004-1 requirements that were approved as part of the FAC-010-1, FAC-011-1, and FAC-014-1 project.

The status, purpose, and supporting documents for this project are posted on the project page: http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/Project_2008-16_Trans_Ops_VSLs.html

Interpretation of CIP-006-1a Requirement R4 for the US Army Corps of Engineers (Project 2008-15)

The US Army Corps of Engineers requested an interpretation of CIP-006-1a — Cyber Security — Physical Security of Critical Cyber Assets to clarify requirements for monitoring and logging physical access referenced in Requirement R4.

The request and interpretation are posted on the project page: http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/Project2008-15_Interpretation_CIP-006-1a_US_Army_COE.html

Standards Development Process

The [Reliability Standards Development Procedure](#) contains all the procedures governing the standards development process. The success of the NERC standards development process depends on stakeholder participation. We extend our thanks to all those who participate.

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