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Status: **Current** (5)

Priority: **High** (4)

<input type="checkbox"/> Project 2008-10 Interpretation of CIP-006-1 for Progress Energy Description: Progress Energy requests an interpretation as to the applicability of CIP-006-1 R1 to the aspects of the wiring that comprises the Electronic Security Perimeter (ESP). Does electronic security perimeter wiring external to a physical security perimeter have to be protected within a six-wall boundary?	NERC Staff: Steven Noess Plan Finish: 3/23/12 Est. Finish: 3/14/12 SPM Step: Board Review Related Standards: CIP-006 Last Update: 12/29/11	Status: Recirculation ballot approved. (Quorum: 88.02%, Approval: 96.04%). Documents are being prepared for February Board of Trustees meeting.
<input type="checkbox"/> Project 2009-22 Interpretation of COM-002-2 for the IRC Description: The ISO/RTO Council is seeking clarification as to whether routine operating instructions are "directives" or whether "directives" are limited to actual and anticipated emergency operating conditions.	NERC Staff: Joseph Krisiak Plan Finish: 4/5/12 Est. Finish: 3/20/12 SPM Step: Board Review Related Standards: COM-002 Last Update: 12/29/11	Status: Recirculation Ballot approved. (Quorum 92.00%, Approval 94.58%). Documents being developed for February Board of Trustees meeting.
<input type="checkbox"/> Project 2009-26 Interpretation of CIP-004-1 for WECC Description: "WECC is seeking clarification on the definition of "authorized access" as applied to temporary support from vendors. Do the training, risk assessment and access requirements specified in R2, R3, and R4 apply to vendors who are supervised? Assuming that a "supervised" vendor is exempt from CIP-004-1, Requirements R2, R3 and R4, would temporary, indirect and monitored access such as that provided through remote terminal sessions (WebEx, etc.) or escorted physical access be considered supervision?"	NERC Staff: Steven Noess Plan Finish: 5/2/12 Est. Finish: 7/4/12 SPM Step: Quality Review Related Standards: CIP-004 Last Update: 12/29/11	Status: The initial ballot for an interpretation of standard CIP-004-1 — Cyber Security — Personnel & Training, Requirements R2, R3, and R4, for WECC ended on January 19, 2010, and failed (Quorum: 84.21% Approval: 42.24%). Since at least one negative ballot included a comment, the results are not final. A second (or recirculation) ballot must be conducted. As part of the recirculation ballot process, the drafting team must draft and post responses to voter comments. The drafting team will also determine whether or not to make revisions to the balloted item(s). Should the team decide to make revisions, the revised item(s) will proceed to the successive ballot phase. The drafting team expects to submit the interpretation to NERC for Quality Review in December 2011 to prepare to post for successive ballot in January 2012. Same phrase and lack of clarity persist through all approved versions of the standard.
<input type="checkbox"/> Project 2010-INT-05 CIP-002-1 for Duke Energy Description: Duke Energy is seeking clarification on the phrase "Examples at control centers and backup control centers include systems and facilities at master and remote sites that provide monitoring and control, automatic generation control, real-time power system modeling, and real-time inter-utility data exchange" and what the phrase "essential to the operation of the Critical Asset" means.	NERC Staff: Steven Noess Plan Finish: 9/26/12 Est. Finish: 10/31/12 SPM Step: Analysis of Cmts or FT Related Standards: CIP-002 Last Update: 12/19/11	Status: The drafting team has reviewed the comments from the first formal posting. In response, they have responded to the comments and have prepared the interpretation for initial ballot. Interpretation submitted to NERC for Quality Review on December 9, 2012, with expected posting for initial ballot in January or February 2012.
<p>Priority: Normal (1)</p>		
<input type="checkbox"/> Project 2011-INT-01 Interpretation of MOD-028 for Florida Power & Light Company Description: By using the words "on-peak", "off-peak", and "intra-day" this requirement implies there would have	NERC Staff: Andy Rodriguez Plan Finish: 3/9/12 Est. Finish: 3/14/12	Status: Recirc Ballot completed. Quorum: 90.10%, Approval: 92.49%. Documents are being prepared for February Board of Trustees meeting.

to be separate TTC numbers for different portions of the current day. However, R5 of MOD28 establishes the calculation frequencies and only requires an update to TTC once within the 7 days prior to the specified period where they are used in an ATC calculation. The clarification needed is on the ATC Drafting Team's intent with respect to the quantity and timing of individual TTC calculations needed for use in the ATC calculations.

SPM Step: Board Review
Related Standards: MOD-028
Last Update: 12/29/11

Status: **Planning** (7)

Priority: **Normal** (4)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Project 2010-INT-01 TOP-006-2 for FMPP
Description: Florida Municipal Power Pool (FMPP) is seeking clarification as to whether the Balancing Authority is responsible for reporting generation resources available for use and the Transmission Operator is responsible for reporting transmission resources that are available for use. They are also seeking clarification as to whether "appropriate technical information concerning protective relays" refers to protective relays for which the entity has responsibility. | NERC Staff:
Plan Finish: 3/23/11
Est. Finish: 3/23/11
SPM Step: Initial Ballot
Related Standards: TOP-006
Last Update: 12/12/11 | Status: The interpretation that has been drafted lacks clarity. Awaiting outcome of CAN discussion at November 2011 BOT meeting.

NOTE: Could this be a candidate for Rapid Revision? NOTE: if we choose to do RR, then we may have a potential numbering conflict/approval conflict, as this standard is in the process of being eliminated as part of 2007-03 Real-time Ops. We may need to address in the RTOps impementation plan. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> TBD RFI received on 06/09/2011 from Consumers Energy on CIP-003
Description: Clarification needed: Applicability Section 4.1 regarding multiple functions and on R2 regarding can a Registered Entity assign different CIP Senior Managers for different applicable functions for which it is registered? | NERC Staff: Steven Noess
Plan Finish: 9/1/11
Est. Finish: 9/1/11
SPM Step: New
Related Standards:
Last Update: 11/1/11 | Status: Assigned to CIP IDT, to be processed when earlier requests have been moved through the process. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> TBD RFI received on 1/28/2011 from Constellation Power Gen on VAR-002-1b
Description: Asks for clarification of whether a GOP must communicate to a TOP that a generator is in manual mode (no AVR) during start up or shut down. | NERC Staff:
Plan Finish: 3/23/11
Est. Finish: 3/23/11
SPM Step: New
Related Standards:
Last Update: 1/3/12 | Status: Accepted for processing. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> TBD RFI received on 7/22/11 from EEI and NRECA on CIP-001-1
Description: Asks for clarification that the term 'facilities' includes only those facilities necessary for operating an interconnected electric energy transmission network and generation facilities needed to maintain transmission system reliability. | NERC Staff:
Plan Finish: 11/1/11
Est. Finish: 11/1/11
SPM Step: New
Related Standards: CIP-001
Last Update: 11/1/11 | Status: In August the SC voted to move forward with this interpretation. Drafting team appointment on hold pending finalization of CAN-0016 to see if the revision of the CAN provides clarification. In September, the SC reaffirmed this decision. In October, EEI indicated their intent (in policy input to the Board of Trustees) to pursue an appeal of CAN-0016. |

Priority: **High** (3)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> TBD RFI received on 11/4/2010 from TECO on CIP-007
Description: Asks if procedural controls are an acceptable method of complying with R5.3 when enforcement cannot be achieved through technical means, or if BOTH technical and procedural controls must be implemented in every instance | NERC Staff: Steven Noess
Plan Finish: 3/23/11
Est. Finish: 3/23/11
SPM Step: New
Related Standards: CIP-007
Last Update: 11/1/11 | Status: Requester has indicated that he would like to move forward with the request, pending the outcome of revisions to CAN. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> TBD RFI received on 12/28/2010 from ITC on CIP-007
Description: Asks for clarity on passwords – specifically looking for more clarity on 'technical controls' and 'procedural controls' as they apply to passwords – and clarity on when/if the requirement is to have both technical and procedural controls | NERC Staff: Steven Noess
Plan Finish: 3/23/11
Est. Finish: 3/23/11
SPM Step: New
Related Standards: CIP-007
Last Update: 11/1/11 | Status: Assigned to CIP IDT, to be processed when earlier requests have been moved through the process. |

[TBD RFI received on 2/24/2011 from OGE on CIP-002-3 R1.2.5](#)
Description: Asks for clarification about applicability of CIP-002 to AMI systems.

NERC Staff: Steven Noess
Plan Finish: 4/26/11
Est. Finish: 4/26/11
SPM Step: New
Related Standards: CIP-002
Last Update: 11/1/11

Status: Assigned to CIP IDT, to be processed when earlier requests have been moved through the process.

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