

Meeting Notes Project 2023-09 Risk Management for Third-Party Cloud Services Drafting Team

July 22, 2025 | 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. Eastern

WebEx

Review NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines and Public Announcement

Jason Snider, NERC staff, called attention to the NERC Antitrust Compliance Guidelines and the public meeting notice.

Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

A team roll call was taken and quorum was determined. The member attendance sheet is attached as Attachment 1.

Opening Remarks

M. Hyatt, chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting, explaining that as the group had completed its first review of the drafted requirements, the focus would now shift to discussion on higher-level concepts the group would need to address before further revising language.

Parking Lot Discussions - CIP-004 - BES Cyber Service Applicability

The group resumed review of the parking lot items identified, beginning with a review of [Draft changes to CIP-004](#) drafted by D. Dunn. The first topic discussed was how to describe the service, with the group agreeing to refer to it as a Cloud CIP Service (CCS) for now. This led to discussion of whether TCA and RM can be included in cloud services, with the topic eventually being added to the parking lot list. The group also discussed whether PACS and EACMS would be applicable to the CCS definition.

D. Dunn reviewed proposed changes to the CIP-004 Standard, which largely focused on changing verbiage to differentiate between BSC and CCS Services within the “Applicable Systems” of the Standard Document. It was noted that some requirements from the CIP-004 Standard would be better addressed in contractual language regarding cloud services. The DT determined it would be best to exempt External personnel associated with CCS that have not been authorized by the Responsible Entity in section 4.2.3.1. There was more discussion around defining underlay and overlay, and whether these terms should appear in the standard.

Action Items

1. Drafting team to consider RE: CIP-004 who is excluded and who is included in provisioning?
2. Drafting team to consider use-case scenarios to bring to future meetings
3. Drafting team to review [working draft](#).

Attachment 1

Name	Entity	7/22/25
Matt Hyatt	Georgia System Operations Corporation	Y
Jay Cribb	Southern Company Services	Y
Christopher Anderley	Great River Energy	Y
Jeff Sykes	Utility Services of Vermont	Y
Jeremy Lyon	Evergy	Y
John Dirks	Salt River Project	Y
Joseph Mosher	EDF Renewables	N
Lew Folkerth	RF	Y
Lindsey Hale	Amazon Web Services	N
David Dunn	ddEnerCIP	Y
Stephane Pellerin	Hydro-Quebec	Y
Thad Ness	Florida Power & Light (NextEra Energy)	Y
William Vesely	New York Power Authority	Y