

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

May 27, 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 not reached. The member attendance sheet is attached as Attachment 1.

Opening Remarks

M. Hyatt, chair, welcomed everyone to the meeting, explaining that during the teleconference the group would begin reviewing the language the drafting team members had drafted for the 9 high-level requirements.

Review of Draft Language

The drafting team resumed review of the proposed language for Requirements, focusing on R2, drafted by L. Folkerth. Initial discussion focused on avoiding repetition between Requirements, which led to talks about whether portions of this new standard would fit better in CIP-013. It was suggested that underlay components of the language could be housed in CIP-013, and overlay aspects could be addressed in the new standard. The group also debated breaking the standard into two sets of assessments – addressing the cloud service provider, then assessing the service that the entity is utilizing. There was consensus that while these were possibilities for the standards, it probably wouldn't be possible to decide on this until more requirements were fleshed out.

The drafting team continued a review of the R2 language in the working draft, making revisions. The group agreed to lean on existing CIP standards, such as CIP-004, when drafting requirements for CIP-016. There was discussion on ensuring that the requirements were not prescriptive, while also being future proof for new technologies. The drafting team also discussed the term “information and data” as well as determining how often access should be reviewed, and if authentication methods should be included in the language.

Action Items

1. Drafting team members to draft Requirements based on [Domain assignments](#).
2. Drafting team to review [working draft](#).

Attachment 1

Name	Entity	5/27/25
Christopher Anderley	Great River Energy	Y
Jay Cribb	Southern Company Services	Y
Jeff Sykes	Utility Services of Vermont	Y
Jeremy Lyon	Evergy	Y
John Dirks	Salt River Project	Y
Joseph Mosher	EDF Renewables	Y
Lew Folkerth	RF	Y
Lindsey Hale	Amazon Web Services	N
Matt Hyatt	Georgia System Operations Corporation	Y
David Dunn	ddEnerCIP	N
Stephane Pellerin	Hydro-Quebec	N
Thad Ness	Florida Power & Light (NextEra Energy)	N
William Vesely	New York Power Authority	N