

Meeting Notes

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

May 6, 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 during the teleconference the group would focus on determining the high-level requirements the proposed new standard should contain.

Monitoring Hierarchy

The drafting team began with a review of a [Monitoring Hierarchy](#) document prepared by L. Folkerth. The group discussed the relationship between the Responsible Entity and the Cloud Service Provider, eventually landing on describing this as “Assurance.” There was agreement that this document would be an important inclusion in future outreach and possibly should be included in the Implementation Guidance or Technical Rationale.

Requirement Development

The drafting team began discussing the requirements that would be included in the new standard, beginning with the high-level R’s in the [draft document](#) first drafted by D. Dunn for consideration. The Responsibility column in the Measurements table was discussed, as some felt it may cause confusion. It was noted that the column may be redundant if the same information is in it for every Measure.

The discussion turned to the proposed definitions, with the group deciding to remove the definition for Service, as it was too broad, and instead revising the definition for Cloud Service.

Development of Domains

The drafting team decided to pull the requirements from the current draft and focus on the high-level [domains](#) before developing the requirements and measures around them. It was suggested that the group consider [Cloud Security Alliance Cloud Controls Matrix](#) as a reference for this process.

Action Item

1. Drafting team to review table-based approach to new standard and be prepared to discuss what the main requirements should be.

Attachment 1

| Name | Entity | 5/6/25 |
|----------------------|--|--------|
| 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 | N |
| Joseph Mosher | EDF Renewables | N |
| Lew Folkerth | RF | Y |
| Lindsey Hale | Amazon Web Services | Y |
| Matt Hyatt | Georgia System Operations Corporation | Y |
| David Dunn | ddEnerCIP | Y |
| Stephane Pellerin | Hydro-Quebec | Y |
| Thad Ness | Florida Power & Light (NextEra Energy) | N |
| William Vesely | New York Power Authority | Y |