

## Project Overview for Project 2014-04 Physical Security

April 9, 2014

### At a Glance: The Top Items to Know about Proposed Reliability Standard CIP-014-1

- Proposed CIP-014-1 Physical Security is drafted pursuant to the framework directed by the March 7, 2014, FERC order<sup>1</sup> directing a Physical Security Standard be filed by June 5, 2014. Consistent with the order, proposed CIP-014-1 includes a risk assessment (transmission analysis) for identification of critical facilities (as describe by FERC), evaluation of physical threats, and development of a physical security plan – with the assessment verified by a third party and the evaluation/plan reviewed by a third party.
  - The framework includes only those Transmission stations and Transmission substations (and associated primary control centers) that if rendered inoperable or damaged could result in widespread instability, uncontrolled separation, or Cascading within an Interconnection.
  - NERC will not request an extension of time to file the Standard, which is supported by the leadership of the Standards Committee (SC) and the Standards Drafting Team (SDT).
- Only a relatively small number of Transmission Owners and Transmission Operators will need to comply with the entire Standard.
  - Generator Operators and Generator Owners are not included as applicable entities.
  - Loss of generation connected to an applicable Transmission station or Transmission substation is considered in the risk assessment conducted by the Transmission Owners.
- The draft Standard was vetted at the April 1, 2014, NERC-sponsored technical conference and during the SDT meetings later that same week.
- The SC has approved a waiver to shorten the initial comment period to 15 days and the ballot period to the last five days of the comment period.
- There will be webinars to explain the Physical Security Standard on April 15 and April 17, 2014.
- **Your vote counts!** If you have registered in the ballot body, we need you to vote, and you must vote by the close of business on April 24, 2014. If you do not vote and quorum is not met on April 24, 2014, this will negatively impact the ability of the SDT to expeditiously move forward.
- Please review the FERC order, the draft Standard and associated guidance, the FAQ, and the RSAW posted on the [2014-04 project page](#). If you have any questions, please contact Stephen Crutchfield via email or by telephone at [stephen.crutchfield@nerc.net](mailto:stephen.crutchfield@nerc.net) or 609-651-9455 as soon as possible.

<sup>1</sup> *Reliability Standards for Physical Security Measures*, 146 FERC ¶ 61,166 (2014).