Unofficial Comment Form

Standard Authorization Request – Cyber Security Standards

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All documents and information about this project are available on the [project page](http://www.nerc.com/pa/Stand/Pages/Project-2014-XX-Critical-Infrastructure-Protection-Version-5-Revisions.aspx). If you have questions please contact Marisa Hecht at marisa.hecht@nerc.net or by telephone at 404-446-9620 or Ryan Stewart at ryan.stewart@nerc.net or by telephone at 404-446-2569.

## Background Information

On November 22, 2013, FERC issued Order No. 791, *Version 5 Critical Infrastructure Protection*

*Reliability Standards*. In this order, FERC approved version 5 of the CIP standards, and also directed that

NERC make the following modifications to those standards:

1. Modify or remove the “identify, assess, and correct” language in 17 CIP version 5 requirements.
2. Develop modifications to the CIP standards to address security controls for Low Impact assets.
3. Develop requirements that protect transient electronic devices.
4. Create a definition of “communication networks” and develop new or modified standards that address the protection of communication networks.

FERC directed NERC to submit new or modified standards responding to the directives related to the “identify, assess, and correct” language and communication networks by February 3, 2015, one year from the effective date of Order No. 791. FERC did not place any time frame for NERC to respond to the

Low Impact and transient electronic devices directives.

On January 15, 2014, the NERC Standards Committee accepted the Standards Authorization Request (SAR) and authorized the posting of the CIP Version 5 Revisions SAR. It will be posted for a 30-day informal comment period because it is addressing FERC directives.

You do not have to answer all questions. Enter comments in simple text format. Bullets, numbers, and special formatting will not be retained.

## Questions

1. Do you agree with the scope and objectives of this SAR? If not, please explain why you do not agree, and, if possible, provide specific language revisions that would make it acceptable to you.

Yes:

No:

Comments:

1. Are you aware of any Canadian provincial or other regulatory requirements that may need to be considered during this project in order to develop a continent-wide approach to the standards? If yes, please identify the jurisdiction and specific regulatory requirements.

Yes:

No:

Comments:

1. Are there any other concerns with this SAR that haven’t been covered in previous questions?

Yes:

No:

Comments: