

Standards Announcement

Project 2014-02 Critical Infrastructure Protection Standards Version 5 Revisions

Formal Comment Period Now Open through July 16, 2014 Ballot Pools Forming Now through July 1, 2014

Now Available

A 45-day formal comment period for **Critical Infrastructure Protection Standards Version 5 Revisions** is open through **8 p.m. Eastern on Wednesday, July 16, 2014.**

If you have questions please contact Ryan Stewart or Marisa Hecht.

Background information for this project can be found on the project page.

Instructions for Commenting

Please use the <u>electronic form</u> to submit comments on the standards. If you experience any difficulties in using the electronic form, please contact <u>Wendy Muller</u>. An off-line, unofficial copy of the comment form is posted on the <u>project page</u>.

Instructions for Joining Ballot Pool

Ballots pools are being formed for the ballots of the standards and the associated non-binding polls on this project. Registered Ballot Body members must join the ballot pools to be eligible to vote in the balloting and submittal of an opinion for the non-binding poll of the associated Violation Risk Factors (VRFs) and Violation Severity Levels (VSLs). Registered Ballot Body members may join the ballot pools at the following page: Join Ballot Pool

During the pre-ballot window, members of the ballot pool may communicate with one another by using their "ballot pool list server." (Once the balloting begins, ballot pool members are prohibited from using the ballot pool list servers.) The list servers for this project are:

Ballot: bp-2014-02 CIPV5 STDS in@nerc.com

Non-Binding poll: bp-2014-02 CIPV5 NB in@nerc.com

Please note: To avoid the inconvenience for the industry to join 15 separate ballot pools, we have set up one for the ballots (on the standards and definition) and one for the non-binding polls. Once the ballot pools close, individual ballots will be created by carrying over the members of the ballot pools. There will be a separate ballot for each of the 7 standards, the definition and 7 non-binding polls.



Next Steps

Ballots for the standards, definition and non-binding polls of the associated VRFs and VSLs will be conducted **July 7-16, 2014.**

For more information on the **Standards Development Process**, please refer to the <u>Standard Processes</u> <u>Manual</u>.

For more information or assistance, please contact <u>Wendy Muller</u>, Standards Development Administrator, or at 404-446-2560.

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