

Standards Announcement

Project 2008-10 Interpretation of CIP-006-x R1 for Progress Energy Recirculation Ballot Window Open: December 9 - 19, 2011

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A recirculation ballot window is open for Project 2008-10 Interpretation of CIP-006-x R1 for Progress Energy from Friday, December 9, 2011 through 8 p.m. Eastern on Monday, December 19, 2011.

Since the initial ballot, the drafting team has considered all comments received during the formal comment period and successive ballot of the interpretation, and made no substantive changes to the interpretation. Only one change was made, to correct a reference to a prior interpretation of the same standard.

In its interpretation, the drafting team made a reference to a prior interpretation developed by Project 2009-13, which was Appendix 3 in the version of CIP-006-3c that accompanied the formal comment and successive ballot period materials. However, since that posting, the drafting team was made aware that the interpretation developed by Project 2009-13 is now posted as Appendix 1 of CIP-006-3c. The numbering of the appendices in CIP-006-3c changed in September 2011 (but not the content). The reference in this interpretation was updated to refer to the latest posted version of CIP-006-3c, which is Appendix 1.

Documents associated with this project, including clean and redline copies of the interpretation, the standard, and the drafting team's consideration of comments submitted during the parallel formal comment period and successive ballot that ended on November 21, 2011, have been posted on the [project page](#).

Instructions for Balloting in the Recirculation Ballots

In a recirculation ballot, votes are counted by exception. Only members of the ballot pool may cast a ballot; all ballot pool members may change their prior votes. A ballot pool member who failed to cast a ballot during the last ballot window may cast a ballot in the recirculation ballot window. If a ballot pool member does not participate in the recirculation ballot, that member's last vote cast in the successive ballot that ended on November 21, 2011 will be carried over.

Members of the ballot pool associated with the interpretation may log in and submit their votes in the recirculation ballots from the following page: <https://standards.nerc.net/CurrentBallots.aspx>

Next Steps

If the interpretation achieves ballot pool approval, they will be presented to the Board of Trustees for adoption and subsequently filed with regulators for approval.

Background

On April 2, 2008, clarification was requested by Progress Energy on CIP-006-1, specifically on whether Electronic Security Perimeter wiring external to a Physical Security Perimeter must be protected within a six-wall boundary.

Initial ballots ended on August 16, 2008, and October 12, 2009. In November 2009, the NERC Board of Trustees issued guidance concerning interpretations, and development of more formal process for addressing interpretations consistent with BOT guidance, as well as the overall workload and priorities of the Project 2008-06 CIP standards drafting team, resulted in a delay in further processing.

In June 2011, the Standards Committee established and appointed members for a standing CIP Interpretation Drafting Team to process the CIP-related interpretations that remain outstanding, including Project 2008-10. A new project team was formed for this interpretation from the CIP Interpretation Drafting Team. In developing the revised interpretation for this successive ballot, the team considered and discussed FERC Order No. 706 and subsequent versions of the CIP standards. In addition, since the previous versions of this interpretation were posted, the Standards Committee has published Guidelines for Interpretation Drafting Teams that were applied by the CIP Interpretation Drafting team.

Additional information on Project 2008-10 is available on the [project webpage](#). Additional information on the activities of the CIP Interpretation Drafting Team is available on the team's [webpage](#).

Standards Development Process

The [Standard Processes Manual](#) contains all the procedures governing the standards development process. The success of the NERC standards development process depends on stakeholder participation. We extend our thanks to all those who participate. For more information or assistance, please contact Monica Benson at monica.benson@nerc.net.

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