

# Standards Announcement

## Project 2019-02 BES Cyber System Information Access Management

**Formal Comment Period Open through May 10, 2021**

### Now Available

A 45-day formal comment period is open through **8 p.m. Eastern, Monday, May 10, 2021** for the following:

- CIP-004-X – Cyber Security - Personnel & Training
- CIP-011-X – Cyber Security - Information Protection
- Implementation Plan

Due to projects 2019-02 BES Cyber System Information Access Management (BCSI) and 2016-02 Modification to CIP Standards (2016-02) both modifying CIP-004 and CIP-011, an “-X” has been added in place of the version numbers for BCSI and a “-Y” for the 2016-02 standards. Once both projects are completed, they will be combined together with one version, prior to submission to the NERC Board.

The standard drafting team’s considerations of the responses received from the previous comment period are reflected in these drafts of the standards.

### Commenting

Use the [Standards Balloting and Commenting System \(SBS\)](#) to submit comments. An unofficial Word version of the comment form is posted on the [project page](#).

- *Contact NERC IT support directly at <https://support.nerc.net/> (Monday – Friday, 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Eastern) for problems regarding accessing the SBS due to a forgotten password, incorrect credential error messages, or system lock-out.*
- *Passwords expire every **6 months** and must be reset.*
- *The SBS **is not** supported for use on mobile devices.*
- *Please be mindful of ballot and comment period closing dates. We ask to **allow at least 48 hours** for NERC support staff to assist with inquiries. Therefore, it is recommended that users try logging into their SBS accounts **prior to the last day** of a comment/ballot period.*

### Next Steps

Additional ballots for the standards and non-binding polls of the associated Violation Risk Factors and Violation Severity Levels will be conducted April 30 – May 10, 2021.

For more information on the Standards Development Process, refer to the [Standard Processes Manual](#).

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