Unofficial Nomination Form
Project 2020-04 Modifications to CIP-012

**Do not** use this form for submitting nominations. Use the [electronic form](https://nerc.checkboxonline.com/D374BC38-915C-41DC-9208-B0C4C1E8A3DA) to submit nominations by **8 p.m. Eastern, February 2, 2023.** This unofficial version is provided to assist nominees in compiling the information necessary to submit the electronic form.

Additional information about this project is available on the [project page](https://www.nerc.com/pa/Stand/Pages/Project202004ModificationstoCIP-012.aspx). If you have questions, contact Senior Standards Developer, Alison Oswald (via email), or at 404-275-9410.

By submitting a nomination form, you are indicating your willingness and agreement to actively participate in face-to-face meetings and conference calls.

Previous drafting or review team experience is beneficial, but not required. A brief description of the desired qualifications, expected commitment, and other pertinent information is included below.

Project 2020-04 Modification to CIP-012
The purpose of this project is to address a directive issued by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) in Order No. 866 to develop modifications to the CIP Reliability Standards to require protections regarding the availability of communications links and data communicated between the bulk electric system Control Centers. This project has had three ballots and is seeking additional subject matter expertise to assist in completing a fourth successful ballot.

**Standard(s) affected: CIP-012 – Communications between Control Centers**

The Reliability Standard(s) developed or revised will include modifications to CIP-012-1. In Order No. 866, FERC stated that “maintaining the availability of communication networks and data should include provisions for incident recovery and continuity of operations in a responsible entity’s compliance plan.” FERC recognized that the redundancy of communication links cannot always be guaranteed, and acknowledged there should be plans for both recovery of compromised communication links and use of backup communication capability.

The time commitment for this project is expected to be up to two conference calls scheduled weekly or as needed to meet the agreed-upon timeline the review or drafting team sets forth. The team will discuss a face-to-face meeting if needed. Outside the scheduled meetings, individuals or subgroups will have additional preparation and support work such as researching and developing proposed concepts, reviewing proposals, compiling comments and drafting responses, etc. Lastly, an important component of the review and drafting team effort is outreach. Members of the team will be expected to conduct industry outreach during the development process to support a successful project outcome.

We are seeking a cross section of the industry to participate on the team, but in particular seeking individuals with both O&P and CIP standards expertise specifically around data communications and communication links.

Individuals who have facilitation skills and experience and/or legal or technical writing backgrounds are also strongly desired. Please include this in the description of qualifications as applicable.

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| Organization: |  |
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| Email: |  |
| Please briefly describe your experience and qualifications to serve on the requested Standard Drafting Team (Bio): |
| **If you are currently a member of any NERC drafting team, please list each team here:**[ ]  Not currently on any active SAR or standard drafting team. [ ]  Currently a member of the following SAR or standard drafting team(s): |
| **If you previously worked on any NERC drafting team please identify the team(s):** [ ]  No prior NERC SAR or standard drafting team.[ ]  Prior experience on the following team(s): |
| **Acknowledgement that the nominee has read and understands both the *NERC Participant Conduct Policy* and the *Standard Drafting Team Scope* documents, available on NERC Standards Resources.**[ ]  Yes, the nominee has read and understands these documents. |
| Select each NERC Region in which you have experience relevant to the Project for which you are volunteering: |
| [ ]  MRO[ ]  NPCC[ ]  RF | [ ]  SERC[ ]  Texas RE [ ]  WECC | [ ]  NA – Not Applicable |

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| **Select each Industry Segment that you represent:** |
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| [ ]  | 2 — RTOs, ISOs |
| [ ]  | 3 — Load-serving Entities |
| [ ]  | 4 — Transmission-dependent Utilities |
| [ ]  | 5 — Electric Generators |
| [ ]  | 6 — Electricity Brokers, Aggregators, and Marketers |
| [ ]  | 7 — Large Electricity End Users |
| [ ]  | 8 — Small Electricity End Users |
| [ ]  | 9 — Federal, State, and Provincial Regulatory or other Government Entities |
| [ ]  | 10 — Regional Reliability Organizations and Regional Entities |
| [ ]  | NA – Not Applicable |
| Select each Function**[[1]](#footnote-1)** in which you have current or prior expertise:  |
| [ ]  Balancing Authority[ ]  Compliance Enforcement Authority[ ]  Distribution Provider[ ]  Generator Operator[ ]  Generator Owner[ ]  Interchange Authority[ ]  Load-serving Entity [ ]  Market Operator[ ]  Planning Coordinator | [ ]  Transmission Operator [ ]  Transmission Owner[ ]  Transmission Planner[ ]  Transmission Service Provider [ ]  Purchasing-selling Entity[ ]  Reliability Coordinator [ ]  Reliability Assurer[ ]  Resource Planner |

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| Provide the names and contact information for two references who could attest to your technical qualifications and your ability to work well in a group: |
| Name: |  | Telephone: |  |
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| Provide the name and contact information of your immediate supervisor or a member of your management who can confirm your organization’s willingness to support your active participation. |
| Name: |  | Telephone: |  |
| Title: |  | Email: |  |

1. These functions are defined in the NERC [Functional Model](http://www.nerc.com/pa/Stand/Functional%20Model%20Advisory%20Group%20DL/FMAG_Inf_Functional%20Model%20v6%20%28clean%29.pdf), which is available on the NERC website. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)