

CIP Self-Certification Addendum

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The NERC Annual CMEP for 2010 required self-certification for the CIP Version 2 Standards from April 1–December 31, 2010.ⁱ Version 3 of the CIP Standards was approved by FERC in an order dated March 31, 2010 and became effective on October 1, 2010. With this approval of Version 3 there are three versions of the CIP Reliability Standards effective within the 2010 calendar year. In the interest of efficiencies; the requirements for registered entities to self-certify compliance to Version 2 as initially directed in the 2010 Annual Plan is rescinded.

Registered entities are reminded that where regions do not require the self-certification to Version 2, the requirement for compliance to Version 2 for the time it was in effect remains. If during the course of any compliance monitoring event or event analysis and subsequent compliance review a possible violation is found in the CIP Standards, the compliance review will include a detailed assessment of compliance with all CIP versions as required to determine the start date of the violation in order to determine the duration of the violation.

Self-certifications for CIP Version 3 are required in the 2011 annual plan and will cover the reporting period beginning October 1, 2010, the effective date of Version 3, through the date established by the Regional Entity. Regional Entities need flexibility based on workload, business practices, and audit schedules established.


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ⁱ Bulletin 2010-002 February 12, 2010