

# Standards, Compliance, and Enforcement Bulletin

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### ACTIVE STANDARDS POSTINGS

#### Current and Upcoming Ballots (ballot periods close at 8:00 p.m. Eastern)

Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
<a href="#">Project 2018-03 – Standards Efficiency Review Retirements</a>   FAC-008-5	<a href="#">Initial Ballot and Non-Binding Poll</a>	01/04/21	01/13/21

#### Join Ballot Pools

	Action	Start Date	End Date
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#### Posted for Comment

Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
<a href="#">Project 2018-03 – Standards Efficiency Review Retirements</a>   FAC-008-5	<a href="#">Comment Period</a>	11/30/20	01/13/21

<a href="#">Project 2020-06 – Verifications of Models and Data for Generators</a>   SAR	<a href="#">Comment Period</a>	12/16/20	01/14/21
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**OTHER ACTIVE COMMENT PERIODS**

**Posted for Comment**

<b>Posting</b>	<b>Action</b>	<b>Start Date</b>	<b>End Date</b>
<p><b>Comment Period Open for Draft Reliability Guideline:</b> The NERC Inverter-Based Resource Performance Working Group (IRPWG) developed the <a href="#">Performance, Modeling, and Simulations of BPS-Connected Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESSs) and Hybrid Power Plants Draft Reliability Guideline</a>. The guideline also covers recommended modeling and study practices that should be considered by Transmission Planners and Planning Coordinators as they perform planning assessments with increasing numbers of BESSs and hybrid power plants in the interconnection study process, annual planning process, and for any specialized studies needed to ensure BPS reliability. The performance characteristics should be considered by all Generator Owners and developers seeking interconnection to the BPS, and Transmission Owners, Transmission Planner, and Planning Coordinators should consider adopting these recommendations in the interconnection requirements per NERC FAC-001 and FAC-002 standards. Prior reliability guidelines focusing on BPS-connected inverter-based resources were inclusive of BESSs and hybrids as an inverter-based technology; however, there are certain considerations and nuances to the operation of this technology that warrant additional guidance. This reliability guideline provides those clarifications and considerations that are specifically relevant to these technologies. The Reliability and Security Technical Committee reviewed the guideline and approved a 45-day posting for industry comment.</p>	<p>Please submit comments via <a href="#">email</a> using the <a href="#">comment form</a>.</p>	12/18/20	02/01/21

## STANDARDS NEWS

### **REMINDER** Nomination Period Open for Project 2020-06 SAR Drafting Team Members

As a reminder, NERC is seeking nominations for SAR drafting team members for Project 2020-06 – Verifications of Models and Data for Generators through **January 14, 2021**.

The time commitment for this project is expected to be one face-to-face meetings per quarter (on average two full working days each meeting) with conference calls scheduled as needed to meet the agreed upon timeline the team sets forth. Face-to-face meetings will be conducted only when CDC health guidelines permit. Team members may also have side projects, either individually or by sub-group, to present for discussion and review. Lastly, an important component of the team effort is outreach. Members of the team will be expected to conduct industry outreach during the development process to support a successful ballot. Previous drafting team experience is beneficial but not required. See the [project page](#) and nomination form for additional information.

By submitting a nomination form, you are indicating your willingness and agreement to actively participate in face-to-face meetings and conference calls. Please use the [electronic form](#) to submit a nomination. Contact [Linda Jenkins](#) regarding issues using the electronic form. An unofficial Word version of the nomination form is posted on the [Standard Drafting Team Vacancies](#) page and the [project page](#). The Standards Committee is expected to appoint members to the SAR drafting team in March 2021. Nominees will be notified shortly after they have been appointed.

### Quick Links

- [Register in the SBS](#)
- [Projected Standards Posting Schedule](#)
- [Project Tracking Spreadsheet](#)
- [2019–2021 Reliability Standards Development Plan](#)
- [Quality Review Application](#)
- [One-Stop Shop \(Status, Purpose, Implementation Plans, FERC Orders, RSAWs\)](#)
- [CIP Standards Efficiency Review](#)
- [Submit Questions or Feedback](#)

**GENERAL COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT NEWS**

**NEW Compliance Guidance Update**

There is one new ERO Enterprise-endorsed Implementation Guidance document—[TOP-001-4 and IRO-002-5 Data Exchange Infrastructure and Testing \(OC\)](#)—available on the [Compliance Guidance web page](#).

**NEW ERO Enterprise Further Extends Self-Logging Program Expansion and Deferral of On-Site Activities through Mid-2021**

In May, the ERO Enterprise released guidance that provided additional regulatory relief related to registered entities’ coronavirus response and temporarily expanded the Self-Logging Program and deferred on-site activities. Due to the ongoing pandemic, the ERO Enterprise is extending this expansion through June 30, 2021, to allow all registered entities to self-log instances of potential noncompliance with minimal or moderate risk related to their coronavirus response.

During this challenging time, the ERO Enterprise recognizes the importance of prioritizing the health and safety of personnel and the continued reliability and security of the bulk power system. We will continue to evaluate the circumstances to determine whether additional guidance and extensions are needed. [Updated Guidance](#)

Quick Links
<a href="#">Compliance Monitoring &amp; Enforcement Program One-Stop Shop</a>
<a href="#">CIP V5 Transition Program</a>
<a href="#">ERO Enterprise Program Alignment Process</a>
<a href="#">Consistency Reporting Tool (EthicsPoint)</a>
<a href="#">Risk-Based Registration Initiative</a>
<a href="#">Reliability Standard Audit Worksheets</a>
<a href="#">Enforcement &amp; Mitigation: Enforcement Actions</a>
<a href="#">Align Project (formerly CMEP Technology Project)</a>

**STANDARDS SUBJECT TO FUTURE ENFORCEMENT**

Please refer to the [U.S. Effective Dates page](#) for the most up-to-date information on effective dates and for more detail on the below.

U.S. Effective Dates for Reliability Standards	
U.S. Effective Date	Standard(s)
April 1, 2021	<a href="#">FAC-002-3 – Facility Interconnection Studies</a>
	<a href="#">INT-006-5 – Evaluation of Interchange Transactions</a>
	<a href="#">INT-009-3 – Implementation of Interchange</a>
	<a href="#">IRO-002-7 – Reliability Coordination – Monitoring and Analysis</a>
	<a href="#">IRO-010-3 – Reliability Coordinator Data Specification and Collection</a>
	<a href="#">MOD-031-3 – Demand and Energy Data</a>
	<a href="#">MOD-033-2 – Steady-State and Dynamic System Model Validation</a>

	<a href="#">NUC-001-4 – Nuclear Plant Interface Coordination</a>
	<a href="#">PER-006-1 – Specific Training for Personnel</a>
	<a href="#">PRC-004-6 – Protection System Misoperation Identification and Correction</a>
	<a href="#">PRC-006-4 – Automatic Underfrequency Load Shedding</a>
	<a href="#">PRC-027-1 – Coordination of Protection Systems for Performance During Faults</a>
	<a href="#">TOP-001-5 – Transmission Operations</a>
	<a href="#">TOP-003-4 – Operational Reliability Data</a>
<b>July 1, 2021</b>	<a href="#">TPL-007-4 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements R12 and R13)</a>
<b>January 1, 2022</b>	<a href="#">PRC-012-2 – Remedial Action Schemes (Requirement R9)</a>
	<a href="#">TPL-007-4 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements R6, 6.1–6.4, R10, 10.1–10.4)</a>
<b>July 1, 2022</b>	<a href="#">CIP-012-1 – Cyber Security – Communications between Control Centers</a>
	<a href="#">PRC-002-2 – Disturbance Monitoring and Reporting Requirements (100% compliance for Requirements R2–R4, R6–R11)</a>
<b>October 1, 2022</b>	<a href="#">PRC-024-3 – Frequency and Voltage Protection Settings for Generating Resources</a>
<b>January 1, 2023</b>	<a href="#">TPL-007-4 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements R3, R4, 4.1. 4.1.1–4.1.2, 4.2, 4.3, 4.3.1, R8, 8.1, 8.1.1–8.1.2, 8.2, 8.3, 8.3.1)</a>
<b>July 1, 2023</b>	<a href="#">TPL-001-5.1 – Transmission System Planning Performance Requirements</a>   <a href="#">Implementation Plan</a>
<b>January 1, 2024</b>	<a href="#">TPL-007-4 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements R7, 7.1–7.3, 7.3.1–7.3.2, 7.4, 7.4.1–7.4.3, 7.5, 7.5.1., R11, 11.1–11.3, 11.3.1–11.3.2, 11.4, 11.4.1–11.4.3, 11.5, and 11.5.1)</a>

## BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND FERC ACTION

### **NEW** NERC Filings

On January 7, 2021, NERC filed with FERC a [petition](#) for approval of an errata to Reliability Standard FAC-001-3.

NERC’s 2021 filings to FERC are available [here](#).

## UPCOMING EVENTS

For information about other NERC events, such as meetings and conference calls for other standing committees, subcommittees, task forces, and working groups, please refer to the [NERC calendar](#).

### Workshops and Conferences

- 2021 RISC Reliability Leadership Summit – January 26–27, 2021 | [Register](#)

### Webinars

There are no webinars currently scheduled.

### Standing Committee Meetings and Conference Calls

- Standards Committee Meeting – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, January 20, 2021 | [Register](#)
- **NEW** NERC Board of Trustees and Member Representatives Committee Meetings – February 3–4, 2021 | **Registration Details Coming Soon**

### Standard Drafting Team Meetings and Conference Calls

The [Standards calendar](#) provides dial-in information for the in-person meetings below. The calendar also provides information about conference calls that drafting teams may hold in addition to in-person meetings.

- **NEW** Project 2020-04 – Modifications to CIP-012 Standard Drafting Team Conference Call – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, January 14, 2021 | [Register](#)

## ABOUT THE STANDARDS, COMPLIANCE, AND ENFORCEMENT BULLETIN

This weekly bulletin compiles a list of standards, compliance, and enforcement projects with actionable deadlines, as well as upcoming events, recently posted resources, other NERC documents posted for comment, and other relevant news and information. Please email [Amy Klagholz](mailto:amy.klagholz@nerc.gov) with feedback on this bulletin. The current bulletin and old bulletins are available under “Program News” on both the [Standards home page](#) and the [Compliance & Enforcement home page](#). If you would like to receive this bulletin or be added to the distribution list for a particular project, please submit a ticket through the [Help Desk](#). Select the “NERC Email Distribution List” option under the “Applications” menu. In the Description Box, please specify which lists you would like your email address to be added to or note which announcements you would like to receive. This bulletin is distributed to several lists, including the Standards distro list (Standards-specific announcements) and the NERC-info distro list (most NERC announcements).