

# Standards, Compliance, and Enforcement Bulletin

March 7–13, 2022

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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 2016-02 – Modifications to CIP Standards</a>   Virtualization	<a href="#">Additional Ballots and Non-binding Polls</a>	03/25/22	04/04/22
<a href="#">Project 2020-03 – Supply Chain Low Impact Revisions</a>   CIP-003-X (Draft 2)	<a href="#">Additional Ballots and Non-binding Polls</a>	04/01/22	04/11/22

### Join Ballot Pools

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

Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
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<a href="#">Project 2022-01 – Reporting ACE Definition and Associated Terms</a>   Standard Authorization Request	<a href="#">Comment Period</a>	02/09/22	03/10/22
<a href="#">Regional Reliability Standard (WECC)</a>   FAC-501-WECC-3	<a href="#">Comment Period</a>	01/26/22	03/11/22
<a href="#">Project 2016-02 Modifications to CIP Standards</a>   Virtualization – Draft 3	<a href="#">Comment Period</a>	02/18/22	04/04/22
<b>NEW</b> <a href="#">Project 2021-02 – Modifications to VAR-002</a>   SAR (Draft 2)	<a href="#">Comment Period</a>	03/07/22	04/06/22
<a href="#">Project 2020-03 – Supply Chain Low Impact Revisions</a>   CIP-003-X (Draft 2)	<a href="#">Comment Period</a>	02/25/22	04/11/22

### OTHER ACTIVE COMMENT PERIODS

#### Posted for Comment

Posting	Action	Start Date	End Date
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### STANDARDS NEWS

There is no additional Standards news to report for this week.

#### 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 are two new ERO Enterprise-endorsed Implementation Guidance documents posted on the [Compliance Guidance web page](#):

- CIP-013 Using Independent Assessments of Vendors (NATF)
- CIP-013 Supply Chain Risk Management Plans (NATF)

### Quick Links

[Compliance Monitoring & Enforcement Program One-Stop Shop](#)  
[ERO Enterprise Program Alignment Process](#)  
[Consistency Reporting Tool \(EthicsPoint\)](#)  
[Risk-Based Registration Initiative](#)  
[Reliability Standard Audit Worksheets](#)  
[Enforcement & Mitigation: Enforcement Actions](#)  
[Align Project](#)

## OTHER NEWS

### **NEW NERC News Posted**

NERC's monthly newsletter is now available for [February](#). Highlights in this edition include:

- ERO Executive Spotlight Features Jason Blake, President and CEO, SERC
- Statement in Response to Grid Vulnerability
- NERC Publishes 2021 Annual Report
- NERC Seeks Participants for New Credential Maintenance Research Project
- Upcoming Events

### **NEW Human Performance Activities**

This announcement is to inform stakeholders that NERC hosting human performance specific in-person and virtual events is paused indefinitely. The uncertainty of the pandemic environment over the past two years presented an opportunity for the ERO to rethink how best to address its role in human performance engagement from a regulatory, reliability and resourcing perspective. The ERO continues to acknowledge human error as an impactful risk to operating the bulk power system and highly encourages stakeholder activity that serves to manage/mitigate the risk. Stay tuned for opportunities to help the ERO determine a way forward.

**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)
July 1, 2022	<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>
October 1, 2022	<a href="#">CIP-005-7 – Cyber Security – Electronic Security Perimeter(s)</a>
	<a href="#">CIP-010-4 – Cyber Security – Configuration Change Management and Vulnerability Assessments</a>
	<a href="#">CIP-013-2 – Cyber Security – Supply Chain Risk Management</a>
	<a href="#">PRC-024-3 – Frequency and Voltage Protection Settings for Generating Resources</a>
January 1, 2023	<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>
April 1, 2023	<a href="#">EOP-011-2 – Emergency Preparedness and Operations</a>
	<a href="#">IRO-010-4 – Reliability Coordinator Data Specification and Collection</a>
	<a href="#">TOP-003-5 – Operational Reliability Data</a>
July 1, 2023	<a href="#">TPL-001-5.1 – Transmission System Planning Performance Requirements</a>   <a href="#">Implementation Plan</a>
January 1, 2024	<a href="#">CIP-004-7 – Cyber Security – Personnel &amp; Training</a>
	<a href="#">CIP-011-3 – Cyber Security - Information Protection</a>
	<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 FERC Issuances**

On March 4, 2022, FERC issued a [letter order](#) approving Reliability Standards related to establishing and communicating System Operating Limits (SOL). You can find all issuances from FERC for 2022 on our website [here](#).

### **NEW Board of Trustees Committees, Member Representatives Committee, Board of Trustees Quarterly Meetings Announced**

The NERC Second Quarter 2022 Board of Trustees Committees, Member Representatives Committee, and Board of Trustees meetings will be held in-person at the Ritz-Carlton Pentagon City in Arlington, Virginia. The general schedule will be as follows:

- The Board Committees meetings will commence on or about 8:00 a.m. Eastern on May 11, 2022.
- The Member Representatives Committee meeting will commence on or about 1:00 p.m. Eastern on May 11, 2022.
- The Board of Trustees meeting will commence at 8:30 a.m. Eastern on May 12, 2022.

Hotel logistics are available within the [meeting registration form](#). The meetings platform is in-person attendance; however, NERC will continue to monitor the ongoing COVID-19 Pandemic and make any adjustments as needed.

## 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**

- **NEW** GridSecCon – October 18–19, 2022 | **Save the Date**

### **Webinars**

- CIP-012 Small Group General Advisory Session – 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Eastern, March 8, 2022 | [Register](#)
- **NEW** Project 2016-02 – Modifications to CIP Standards | Virtualization Webinar – 2:00–3:30 p.m. Eastern, March 14, 2022 | [Register](#)
- **NEW** Project 2020-03 – Supply Chain Low Impact Revisions Webinar – 1:00–2:00 p.m. Eastern, March 16, 2022 |

- [Utilizing Excess Capability of BPS-Connected Inverter-Based Resources for Frequency Support](#) Webinar – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, April 19, 2022 | [Register](#)

### **Standing Committee Meetings and Conference Calls**

- Reliability and Security Technical Committee Meeting – 11:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Eastern, each day, March 8–9, 2022 | [March 8 Registration](#) | [March 8 Agenda Package](#) | [March 9 Registration](#) | [March 9 Agenda Package](#)
- **NEW** Board of Trustees Committees, Member Representatives Committee, and Board of Trustees Meetings – May 11–12, 2022, Arlington, Virginia | [Register](#)

### **Standard Drafting Team Meetings**

- Project 2021-05 – Modifications to PRC-023 Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 2:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern, March 7, 2022 | [Register](#)
- Project 2021-07 – Extreme Cold Weather Grid Operations, Preparedness, and Coordination Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, March 8, 2022 | [Register](#)
- Project 2020-04 – Modifications to CIP-012 Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, March 9, 2022 | [Register](#)
- Project 2021-07 – Extreme Cold Weather Grid Operations, Preparedness, and Coordination Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, March 10, 2022 | [Register](#)
- Project 2021-04 – Modifications to PRC-002-2 Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, March 11, 2022 | [Register](#)
- Project 2021-05 – Modifications to PRC-023 Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 2:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern, March 14, 2022 | [Register](#)
- Project 2021-07 – Extreme Cold Weather Grid Operations, Preparedness, and Coordination Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, March 15, 2022 | [Register](#)
- Project 2021-04 – Modifications to PRC-002-2 Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, March 16, 2022 | [Register](#)
- Project 2021-07 – Extreme Cold Weather Grid Operations, Preparedness, and Coordination Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, March 17, 2022 | [Register](#)
- Project 2021-07 – Extreme Cold Weather Grid Operations, Preparedness, and Coordination Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, March 22, 2022 | [Register](#)
- Project 2021-07 – Extreme Cold Weather Grid Operations, Preparedness, and Coordination Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, March 24, 2022 | [Register](#)
- Project 2021-07 – Extreme Cold Weather Grid Operations, Preparedness, and Coordination Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, March 29, 2022 | [Register](#)

- Project 2021-07 – Extreme Cold Weather Grid Operations, Preparedness, and Coordination Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, March 31, 2022 | [Register](#)

### **ERO Enterprise Events**

- **RELIABILITYFIRST** Technical Talk with RF – 2:00–3:30 p.m. Eastern, March 21 | [Register](#)
- **TEXAS RE** [Spring Standards, Security, and Reliability Workshop](#) – 9:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. Central, March 31, 2022 | [Register](#)
- **TEXAS RE** [Talk with Texas RE: FAC-008](#) – 1:30–2:30 p.m. Central, May 5, 2022 | [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](#) 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](#).

**REGISTRATION:** If you would like to receive this bulletin or be added to a NERC distribution list, you **must** first register an account in the [ERO Portal](#). Once you have registered your ERO Portal account, authenticated your credentials with DUO, and completed your profile, please submit a ticket through the [Help Desk](#) by selecting 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. If you are unsure of which distribution list you would like to be added to, an excellent starting point is the “[Committee](#)” page. You can note the committee abbreviation, which represents the distribution list you would like to join, in the Description Box. If you have other NERC-related or specific Standards projects you’re interested in, you may request those as well. If you’re interested in general information, please request to be added to the NERC-info distribution list, which covers most NERC announcements. This bulletin is distributed to several lists, including the Standards distribution list (Standards-specific announcements) and the NERC-info distribution list.