

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
Project 2020-06 – Verifications of Models and Data for Generators Draft 2 of IBR Glossary Terms	Additional Ballots	03/29/24	04/08/24
Project 2021-04 – Modifications to PRC-002 – Phase II Draft 2	Additional Ballots and Non-Binding Poll	04/02/24	04/11/24
NEW Project 2023-02 – Analysis and Mitigation of BES Inverter-Based Resource Performance Issues Draft 1	Initial Ballots and Non-Binding Poll	04/09/24	04/18/24
NEW Project 2023-07 – Transmission Planning Performance Requirements for Extreme Weather Draft 1	Initial Ballots and Non-Binding Poll	04/24/24	05/03/24
Join Ballot Pools			
Project	Action	Start Date	End Date

NEW Project 2023-02 – Analysis and Mitigation of BES Inverter-Based Resource Performance Issues Draft 1	Join Ballot Pools	03/25/24	04/03/24
NEW Project 2023-07 – Transmission Planning Performance Requirements for Extreme Weather Draft 1	Join Ballot Pools	03/20/24	04/18/24
Posted for Comment			
Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
Project 2023-01 – EOP-004 IBR Event Reporting Draft 2	Comment Period	02/12/24	03/27/24
Project 2020-06 – Verifications of Models and Data for Generators Draft 2 of IBR Glossary Terms	Comment Period	02/22/24	04/08/24
Project 2021-04 – Modifications to PRC-002 – Phase II Draft 2	Comment Period	03/18/24	04/11/24
NEW Project 2023-02 – Analysis and Mitigation of BES Inverter-Based Resource Performance Issues Draft 1	Comment Period	03/25/24	04/18/24
NEW Project 2023-07 – Transmission Planning Performance Requirements for Extreme Weather Draft 1	Comment Period	03/20/24	05/03/24

Posted for Comment			
Posting	Action	Start Date	End Date
NEW Comment Period Open for Draft SAR: The Inverter-Based Resource Performance Subcommittee (IRPS) has created a draft Standard Authorization Request (SAR) for revisions to FAC-001 and FAC-002 . The goal of this SAR is to improve FAC-001 and FAC-002 and help ensure that Transmission Operators (TOPs), Reliability Coordinators (RCs), and Balancing Authorities (BAs) can work with the relevant Generator Owner (GO) to address any abnormal performance issues. This includes seeking corrective actions, requesting improvements to the requirements developed by the TO, TP, or PC (Per FAC-001 or FAC-002), and reporting any abnormal performance to NERC for continued risk assessment.	Submit comments via email using the comment form .	03/18/24	04/17/24

<p>The Reliability and Security Technical Committee (RSTC) approved posting this draft for a 30-day industry comment period. Consistent with the RSTC SAR Development Process, a draft version of the SAR has been posted on the Reliability Guidelines, Security Guidelines, Technical Reference Documents, and White Papers page. A final version of the draft SAR will be submitted to NERC Standards Development, consistent with the Standards Development Process, to begin the process for developing, modifying, withdrawing or retired a Reliability Standard.</p>			
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STANDARDS NEWS

NEW Initial Ballots and Non-binding Poll Results for Project 2023-03 Internal Network Security Monitoring

Initial ballots and non-binding poll of the associated Violation Risk Factors and Violation Severity Levels for Project 2023-03 – Internal Network Security concluded March 18, 2024 for CIP-015-1 – Internal Network Security Monitoring and its Implementation Plan. The voting statistics are listed below, and the details can be accessed on the [Ballot Results](#) page. The drafting team will review all responses received during the comment period and determine the next steps of the project.

Quick Links

- [Register in the SBS](#)
- [Standards Project Prioritization \(November 2023\)](#)
- [Projected Standards Posting Schedule](#)
- [Project Tracking Spreadsheet](#)
- [2023-2025 Reliability Standards Development Plan \(Filed With FERC\)](#)
- [Quality Review Application](#)
- [One-Stop Shop \(Status, Purpose, Implementation Plans, FERC Orders, RSAWs\)](#)
- [Submit Questions or Feedback](#)

	Ballot	Non-binding Poll
Standard	Quorum / Approval	Quorum / Supportive Opinions
CIP-015-1	91.02% / 48.52%	88.66% / 47.54%
Implementation Plan	91.34% / 66.71%	N/A

GENERAL COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT NEWS

There is no additional Compliance and Enforcement news to report for this week.

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 and ERO SEL](#)

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, 2024	FAC-003-5 – Transmission Vegetation Management
	FAC-011-4 – System Operating Limits Methodology for the Operations Horizon
	FAC-014-3 – Establish and Communicate System Operating Limits
	IRO-008-3 – Reliability Coordinator Operational Analyses and Real-time Assessments
	PRC-002-4 – Disturbance Monitoring and Reporting Requirements Implementation Plan
	PRC-023-6 – Transmission Relay Loadability Implementation Plan
	PRC-026-2 – Relay Performance During Stable Power Swings Implementation Plan
	TOP-001-6 – Transmission Operations
October 1, 2024	VAR-501-WECC-4 – Power System Stabilizer
	EOP-012-1 – Extreme Cold Weather Preparedness and Operations Note: In accordance with FERC’s February 2023 approval order, NERC submitted a revised implementation plan for the EOP-012 standard on February 16, 2024, and it is pending FERC approval.
July 1, 2025	IRO-010-5 – Reliability Coordinator Data and information Specification and Collection Implementation Plan

	TOP-003-6.1 – Transmission Operator and Balancing Authority Data and Information Specification and Collection Implementation Plan
October 1, 2025	TOP-002-5 – Operations Planning Implementation Plan
April 1, 2026	CIP-003-9 - Cyber Security – Security Management Controls

BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND FERC ACTION

NEW NERC Filings

On March 19, 2024, NERC [filed](#) for FERC approval to update its Rules of Procedure (ROP) in order to include a new category of entities that own or operate non-Bulk Electric System inverter based generating resources (IBRs) that (i) either have or contribute to an aggregate nameplate capacity of greater than or equal to 20 MVA, (ii) connected through a system designed primarily for delivering such capacity to a common point of connection at a voltage greater than or equal to 60 kV. The updates include revisions to Appendix 2 (Definitions Used in the ROP), Appendix 5A (Organization Registration and Certification Manual), and Appendix 5B (Statement of Compliance Registry Criteria or the “Registry Criteria”) of the ROP. Details can be found in the previously posted [summary of revisions](#) as well as the filing. To learn more about this initiative, please visit the [IBR Registration Initiative Quick Reference Guide](#).

On March 21, 2024, NERC submitted the [Annual Report on Cyber Security Incidents](#) as directed by FERC in its July 19, 2018 Order.

On March 22, 2024, NERC submitted its [2024 Standards Report, Status and Timetable for Addressing Regulatory Directives](#). The annual report is in accordance with Section 321.6 of the NERC Rules of Procedure. [Filings to FERC for 2024](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS

For a full accounting of upcoming events, please refer to the [NERC Calendar](#).

Workshops and Conferences

Event	Time	Date	Location	Registration
2024 NERC-NATF-EPRI Extreme Weather Transmission Planning and Modeling Workshop	All day	May 29–30	Dallas, TX	Details
GridSecCon 2024	All day	October 22–25	Minneapolis, MN	Save the Date

Webinars

Event	Time	Date	Registration
NEW Event Analysis Process Version 5	1:00–2:30 p.m. Eastern	March 27	Details
NEW NERC Standards Update on Projects Related to FERC Order No. 901	2:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern	March 28	Details
NEW 2024 Total Solar Eclipse Grid Impact Study	11:00 a.m. Mountain	April 2	Details
NEW Project 2023-07 – Transmission Planning Performance Requirements for Extreme Weather	1:00–2:30 p.m. Eastern	April 12	Details

Standing Committee Meetings and Conference Calls

Event	Time	Date	Location and Registration
Q2 2024 Board and Board Committee Meetings	Schedule of Events	May 8–9	Virtual

Standard Drafting Team Meetings

Please refer to the [Standards calendar](#) for the most up-to-date listing of upcoming meetings.

Project	Time	Date	Registration
Project 2023-03 – Internal Network Security Monitoring	1:00–4:30 p.m. Eastern	March 25	Details
NEW Project 2022-03 – Energy Assurance with Energy-Constrained Resources	1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern	March 25	Details
Project 2023-06 – Modifications to CIP-014	All day	March 26–28	Details
Project 2023-03 – Internal Network Security Monitoring	1:00–4:30 p.m. Eastern	March 26	Details
NEW Project 2022-03 – Energy Assurance with Energy-Constrained Resources	1:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern	March 28	Details
Project 2022-05 – Modifications to CIP-008 Reporting Threshold	1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern	March 28	Details

Project 2016-02 – Modifications to CIP Standards	3:00–5:00 p.m. Eastern	March 28	Details
NEW Project 2022-03 – Energy Assurance with Energy-Constrained Resources	12:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern	April 2	Details
Project 2023-04 – Modifications to CIP-003	1:00–6:00 p.m. Eastern	April 2	Details
Project 2023-04 – Modifications to CIP-003	10:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. Eastern	April 3	Details
NEW Project 2022-03 – Energy Assurance with Energy-Constrained Resources	12:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern	April 4	Details
Project 2022-05 – Modifications to CIP-008 Reporting Threshold	2:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern	April 11	Details
NEW Project 2021-02 – Modifications to VAR-002-4.1	11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Eastern	April 12	Details

ERO Enterprise Events				
Region	Event	Time	Date	Registration
Texas RE	NEW 2024 Spring Standards, Security, and Reliability Workshop	9:00 a.m.–3:30 p.m. Central	April 24	Details

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.