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ACTIVE STANDARDS POSTINGS

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

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2025-03 – Order No. 901 Operational Studies |SAR	Comment Period	8/26/2025	10/1/2025
2025-04 – Order No. 901 Planning Studies	SAR	Comment Period	8/26/2025	10/1/2025

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Standard Drafting Team Nominations

Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
2025-03 – Order No. 901 Operational Studies	Submit Nominations	8/26/2025	9/15/2025
2025-04 – Order No. 901 Planning Studies	Submit Nominations	8/26/2025	9/15/2025
NEW 2022-05 – Modifications to CIP-008 Reporting Threshold	Submit Nominations	9/4/2025	9/17/2025

OTHER ACTIVE COMMENT PERIODS
Posted for Comment

Posting	Action	Start Date	End Date
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STANDARDS NEWS

NEW Posted: Reliability Standard Audit Worksheet

A new RSAW has been posted to the RSAW homepage under the heading 'Current RSAWs for Use' for TPL-008-1. It is a new NERC Reliability Standard pertaining to system planning for extreme weather. It requires (1) the development of benchmark planning cases based on major prior extreme heat and cold weather events and/or meteorological projections, (2) planning for extreme heat and cold weather events using steady state and transient stability analysis expanded to cover a range of extreme weather scenarios, including the expected availability of the resource mix during extreme heat and cold weather conditions and wide-area impacts of extreme heat and cold weather, and (3) development of corrective action plans that mitigate any instances where performance requirements for extreme heat and cold weather events are not met. TPL-008-1 has an effective date of April 1, 2026.

Quick Links
Register in the SBS
Standards Project Prioritization (June 2025)
Projected Posting Schedule
Project Tracking Spreadsheet
2025-2027 Reliability Standards Development Plan (Filed With FERC)
One-Stop Shop (Status, Purpose, Implementation Plans, FERC Orders, RSAWs)
Submit Questions or Feedback

NEW **Additional Ballots and Non-Binding Poll Results**
Additional ballots and non-binding polls of the associated Violation Risk Factors and Violation Severity Levels for Project 2022-02 – Uniform Modeling Framework for IBR concluded at 8 p.m. Eastern, September 10, 2025. The voting statistics are listed below, and the details can be accessed on the Ballot Results page.

Standard	Ballot	Non-binding Poll
	Quorum / Approval	Quorum / Supportive Opinions
MOD-032-2	91.79% / 73.77%	91.15% / 71.94%
IRO-010-6	91.10% / 86.15%	90.42% / 93.26%
TOP-003-8	91.46% / 82.56%	90.38% / 91.53%
Implementation Plan	91.27% / 76.84%	N/A

NEW **Additional Ballots and Non-Binding Poll Results**
Additional ballots and non-binding poll of the Associated Violation Risk Factors and Violation Severity Levels for MOD-033-3 Steady-State and Dynamic System Model Validation concluded 8 p.m. Eastern, September 10, 2025. Voting statistics are listed below, and the Ballot Results page provides the detailed results.

Standard	Ballot	Non-binding Poll
	Quorum / Approval	Quorum / Supportive Opinions
MOD-033-3	93.41% / 94.07%	92.16% / 96.09%
Implementation Plan	93.28% / 95.11%	N/A

NEW Additional Ballots and Non-Binding Poll Results

Additional ballots and non-binding poll of the associated Violation Risk Factors and Violation Severity Levels for MOD-026-2 – Verification and Validation of Dynamic Models and Data concluded at 8 p.m. Eastern, September 10, 2025. The voting statistics are listed below, and the details can be accessed on the Ballot Results page.

	Ballot	Non-binding Poll
Standard	**Quorum / Approval**	**Quorum / Supportive Opinions**
MOD-026-2	89.05% / 64.86%	86.64% / 61.36%
Implementation Plan	88.93% / 65.91%	N/A

NEW Nominations: 2025 Chair/Vice Chair of Reliability and Security Technical Committee

The Reliability and Security Technical Committee (RSTC) is seeking nominations for individuals who wish to serve in a leadership role on the RSTC as the Chair or Vice Chair of the committee. Interested individuals or individuals who wish to nominate another person for one of the RSTC leadership roles should submit a RSTC Chair/Vice Chair nomination form. If elected by the RSTC and approved by the NERC Board of Trustees, the RSTC Chair and Vice Chair will serve a two-year term commencing on February 1, 2026 and ending on January 31, 2028.

The RSTC Chair/Vice Chair nomination period will end on October 10, 2025. If you have any questions about the RSTC nomination process, please contact Stephen Crutchfield.

MODERNIZATION OF STANDARDS PROCESSES AND PROCEDURES TASK FORCE (MSPPTF) NEWS

NEW Posted: MSPPTF White Paper Stakeholder Comments

The Modernization of Standards Processes and Procedures Task Force (MSPPTF) has posted stakeholder feedback on the July 2025 white paper, Potential Options for Transforming the Reliability Standards Development Framework. Nearly 100 submissions were received during the white paper comment period and the MSPPTF appreciates the thoughtful and constructive input received. The task force is now focused on reviewing the comments as it begins to prepare its draft recommendations which will be posted for public comment in late October. Stakeholder input will also be solicited during in-person forums and webinars. In addition, task force members will continue to present to NERC Standing Committees, engage directly with their trade organizations, and hold other informal discussions. The MSPPTF will present its final recommendations to the NERC Board of Trustees in February 2026. More specifics on these engagements will be shared through the MSPPTF webpage..

Quick Links

MSPPTF Web Page
Resolution
FAQs
One-Page Summary
MSPPTF White Paper
MSPPTF External Engagements
September Update
July 21 Webinar Recording
MSPPTF White Paper Stakeholder Feedback - August 2025

GENERAL COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT NEWS

There is no additional Compliance and Enforcement news to report on 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

OTHER NEWS

NEW Level 2 NERC Alert Posted

NERC issued a [Level 2 Alert Recommendation](#) to Industry, *Large Load Interconnection, Study, Commissioning, and Operations*, to Distribution Providers (DP), Transmission Owners (TO), Transmission Planners (TP), Planning Coordinators (PC), Reliability Coordinators (RC), Resource Planners (RP), Transmission Operators (TOP), and Balancing Authorities (BA). The alert includes five primary recommendations regarding TO interconnection requirements, TP and PC interconnection and system-wide studies, TO load commissioning, TO operating protocols, and long-term forecasting for TPs, RPs, and PCs. NERC registered entities should note that only entities registered as the above-mentioned functional groups will be able to view and respond to the alert in the NERC Alert System. However, the alert is public and may be viewed at the link above. The alert has a response due date of January 28, 2026

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 table below.

U.S. Effective Dates for Reliability Standards		
U.S. Effective Date	**Standard(s)**	**Phased-In (Y/N)**
October 1, 2025	[BAL-004-WECC-4 – Automatic Time Error Correction](#)	[Implementation Plan](#)	No
	[TOP-002-5 – Operations Planning](#)	[Implementation Plan](#)	No
April 1, 2026	[CIP-003-9 – Cyber Security — Security Management Controls](#)	[Implementation Plan](#)	No
	[TPL-008-1 – Transmission System Planning Performance Requirements for Extreme Temperature Events](#)	[Implementation Plan](#)	Yes
July 1, 2026	[CIP-012-2 – Cyber Security–Communications between Control Centers](#)	[Implementation Plan](#)	No
October 1, 2026	[TOP-003-7 – Transmission Operator and Balancing Authority Data and Information Specification and Collection](#)	[Implementation Plan](#)	No
April 1, 2027	[BAL-007-1 – Near-term Energy Reliability Assessments](#)	[Implementation Plan](#)	No
October 1, 2028	[CIP-015-1 – Cyber Security – Internal Network Security Monitoring](#)	[Implementation Plan](#)	No

BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND FERC ACTION

NEW NERC Filing

On September 18, 2025 NERC and the six Regional Entities submitted to FERC a supplement to the July 14, 2025 petition for approval of proposed revisions to the *Pro Forma* Regional Delegation Agreement (RDA) and individual Regional Entity RDAs.

All filings to FERC for 2025

NEW FERC Order

On September 10, FERC issued an Order directing NERC to submit a report in an informational filing, on best practices to reduce the risk of wildfire ignition from the Bulk-Power System. The filing is due by May 1, 2026.

FERC Orders for 2025

NEW Sunshine Act Agenda Posted for Upcoming FERC Open Meeting

FERC released the Sunshine Act open agenda for its upcoming September 18, 2025 meeting. There are four items of interest to NERC relating to its responsibilities under Section 215 of the FPA:

- **E - 1 - RM25-8-000 - Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standard CIP-003-11 – Cyber Security – Security Management Controls**
This item relates to NERC's petition for approval of proposed Reliability Standard CIP-003-11.

- **E - 2 - RM24-8-000 - Virtualization Reliability Standards**
This item relates to NERC's petition for approval of eleven Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards addressing virtualization and other matters identified during implementation of prior CIP Reliability Standards versions.

- **E - 3 - RD25-7-000 - North American Electric Reliability Corporation**
This item relates to NERC's petition for approval of proposed Reliability Standard EOP-012-3.

- **E - 4 - RM24-4-000 Supply Chain Risk Management Reliability Standards Revisions; RM20-19-000 - Equipment and Services Produced or Provided by Certain Entities Identified as Risks to National Security**
This item relates to two dockets regarding supply chain issues. First, a Notice of Inquiry (NOI) issued Sept. 17, 2020 (RM20-19-000). NERC and the Regional Entities submitted comments on Nov. 23, 2020. Second, FERC issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR) on Sept. 19, 2024 (RM24-4-000) regarding Supply Chain standards. NERC and the Regional Entities submitted comments on Nov. 22, 2024.

UPCOMING EVENTS

For a full accounting of upcoming events, please refer to the **NERC Calendar**.

Workshops and Conferences

Event	Time	Date	Location	Registration
BES Protection System Misoperation Reduction Workshop	All Day	October 7–8	Salt Lake City, UT (WECC Office)	Details
GridSecCon 2025	All Day	October 7–10	Las Vegas, NV	Details
2025 Electromagnetic Transient Simulation Workshop	All Day	October 7–9	Knoxville, TN	Details
Monitoring and Situational Awareness Technical Conference	All Day	October 21–22	Little Rock, AR	Details
BES Operating Agility Workshop	All day	October 22–23	Little Rock, AR	Details
NEW FERC Order No. 909 Virtual Technical Workshop	All Day	November 5	Virtual	Save the Date

Webinars

Event	Time	Date	Registration
Project 2022-05 – Modifications to CIP-008	12:30–2:00 p.m. Eastern	September 22	Details
NEW BCSI in the Cloud Webinar	1:00–1:45 p.m. Eastern	September 29	Details

Standing Committee Meetings and Conference Calls

Event	Time	Date	Registration
UPDATED Standards Committee Meeting	10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. Eastern	September 17	Virtual	In-Person	Agenda
Standards Committee Meeting	1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern	October 15	Virtual
RSTC Conference Call	3:00–4:30 p.m. Eastern	October 29	Virtual
Standards Committee Meeting	1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern	November 19	Virtual
Standards Committee Meeting	10:00 a.m.–3:00 p.m. Eastern	December 9	Virtual

ERO Enterprise Events

Event	Time	Date	Registration
SERC System Operator Conference	All Day	October 14–16	Details

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<tr><td>NEW Project 2025-02 – Internal Network Security Monitoring Standard Revision</td><td>1:30–3:30 p.m. Eastern</td><td>September 24</td><td>Details</td></tr>
<tr><td>Project 2023-01 – EOP-004 IBR Event Reporting</td><td>2:00–4:30 p.m. Eastern</td><td>September 25</td><td>Details</td></tr>
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NEW Project 2025-02 – Internal Network Security Monitoring Standard Revision	11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Eastern	October 8	[Details](#)
Project 2023-01 – EOP-004 IBR Event Reporting	2:00–4:30 p.m. Eastern	October 9	[Details](#)
NEW Project 2017-01 – Modifications to BAL-003 Phase II	10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. Eastern	October 10	[Details](#)
Project 2023-01 – EOP-004 IBR Event Reporting	2:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern	October 13	[Details](#)
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Project 2023-01 – EOP-004 IBR Event Reporting	2:00–4:30 p.m. Eastern	October 23	[Details](#)
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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 Maureen Murtha 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.

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