

Standards Announcement

Project 2012-INT-04 – Interpretation of CIP-007-3 for ITC

Formal Comment Period Open: November 9, 2012 – December 10, 2012

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A formal comment period for the interpretation of **CIP-007-3** for ITC is open through **8 p.m. Eastern on Monday, December 10, 2012.**

Instructions for Commenting

A formal comment period is open through **8 p.m. Eastern on Monday, December 10, 2012.** Please use the [electronic form](#) to submit comments. If you experience any difficulties in using the electronic form, please contact Wendy Muller at Wendy.Muller@nerc.net. An off-line, unofficial copy of the comment form is posted on the [project page](#).

Next Steps

The drafting team will consider all comments and determine whether to make changes to the interpretation response prior to posting the interpretation for a 45-day comment period and initial ballot.

Background

In May 2011, the Standards Committee appointed a standing CIP Interpretation Drafting Team (IDT) for the development of CIP Interpretations. A project team from the CIP IDT has reviewed ITC's request for interpretation and developed this interpretation pursuant to the NERC Guidelines for IDTs. In its first question, ITC asked for clarification on whether each sub-requirement of CIP-007-3, Requirement R5 requires both "technical and procedural controls." In its second question, ITC asked for clarification on whether technical controls in CIP-007-3, Requirement R5.3 mean that each individual Cyber Asset within the Electronic Security Perimeter (ESP) has to automatically enforce each of the three R5.3 sub-parts.

Additional information is available on the [project page](#).

Standards Development Process

The [Standards Processes Manual](#) contains all the procedures governing the standards development process. The success of the NERC standards development process depends on stakeholder participation. We extend our thanks to all those who participate.

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