

Standards Announcement Physical Security Standard Technical Conference

April 1, 2014 | 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. Eastern

Grand Hyatt Atlanta in Buckhead
3300 Peachtree Road NE
Atlanta, Georgia, USA, 30305

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Registration will be strictly limited to the first 150 individuals. All attendees must register no later than **March 28, 2014**. All attendees must present photo identification to attend the technical conference. There will also be a listen-only broadcast of the conference, with the ability to send written questions via ReadyTalk for remote participation. Registration for dial-in/remote participation is required and must be done no later than **March 28, 2014**.

Background and Topic

On March 7, 2014, the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) issued an Order, directing NERC to develop a new Reliability Standard to address concerns about the physical security of the Bulk-Power System. From the order:

“The Commission directs the North American Electric Reliability Corporation (NERC), as the Commission-certified Electric Reliability Organization (ERO), to submit for approval one or more Reliability Standards that will require certain registered entities to take steps or demonstrate that they have taken steps to address physical security risks and vulnerabilities related to the reliable operation of the Bulk-Power System. The proposed Reliability Standards should require owners or operators of the Bulk-Power System, as appropriate, to identify facilities on the Bulk-Power System that are critical to the reliable operation of the Bulk-Power System. Then, owners or operators of those identified critical facilities should develop, validate and implement plans to

protect against physical attacks that may compromise the operability or recovery of such facilities. The Commission directs NERC to submit the proposed Reliability Standards to the Commission within 90 days of the date of this order.”

The sole purpose of the technical conference is to focus stakeholder discussion on the execution of FERC’s March 7, 2014 directives to develop a Physical Security Reliability Standard within 90 days, with the intent of assisting the Standard Drafting Team to quickly develop and post a Reliability Standard for comment and ballot.

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