

Implementation Plan for Project 2010-17: Definition of BES (Phase 2)

Prerequisite Approvals

None.

Effective Dates

This definition shall become effective on the first day of the second calendar quarter after the date that the definition is approved by an applicable governmental authority or as otherwise provided for in a jurisdiction where approval by an applicable governmental authority is required for a standard to go into effect. Where approval by an applicable governmental authority is not required, the definition shall become effective on the first day of the first calendar quarter after the date the definition is adopted by the NERC Board of Trustees or as otherwise provided for in that jurisdiction.

Compliance obligations for the Phase 2 definition would begin:

- Twenty-four months after the applicable effective date of the definition (for newly identified Elements), or
- If a longer timeframe is needed for an entity to be fully compliant with all standards applicable
 to an Element or group of Elements that are newly identified as BES when the Phase 2 definition
 is applied, the appropriate timeframe may be determined on a case-by-case basis by mutual
 agreement between the Regional Entity and the Element owner/operator, and subject to review
 by the ERO.

This implementation plan is consistent with the timeframe provided in Phase 1.