

Standards, Compliance, and Enforcement Bulletin

July 24–30, 2023

INSIDE THIS EDITION

[Active Standards Postings](#) | [Other Active Comment Periods](#) | [Standards News](#) | [General Compliance and Enforcement News](#) | [Other News](#) | [Standards Subject to Future Enforcement](#) | [Board of Trustees and FERC Action](#) | [Upcoming Events](#) | [About the SC&E Bulletin](#)

ACTIVE STANDARDS POSTINGS

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

Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
Project 2019-04 – Modifications to PRC-005-6 Draft 1	Initial Ballots and Non-Binding Poll	06/30/23	07/24/23
NEW Project 2021-06 – Modifications to IRO-010 and TOP-003	Final Ballots	07/21/23	08/31/23

Join Ballot Pools

Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
--	--	--	--

Posted for Comment

Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
Project 2019-04 – Modifications to PRC-005-6 Draft 1	Comment Period	05/25/23	07/24/23

NEW Project 2021-03 – CIP-002 SAR	Comment Period	07/20/23	08/18/23
NEW 2024–2026 Reliability Standards Development Plan (RSDP) Draft	Comment Period	07/24/23	08/22/23

Posted for Comment			
Posting	Action	Start Date	End Date
<p>Comment Period Open for Fuel Assurance and Fuel-Related Reliability Risk Analysis for the Bulk Power System Draft Reliability Guideline: The purpose of this draft reliability guideline is to ensure registered entities have relevant information to (i) plan for sufficient fuel to serve load and have modelled contingencies for both short-term operational horizons to long-term planning timeframes, (ii) fully understand fuel supply chain risks, and (iii) offer additional conditions and constraints, especially during extreme events, to consider when performing studies. This reliability guideline may inform potential scenario analyses (e.g., loss of fuel, compressor outages, etc.), but it is not intended to provide the environmental conditions contemplated under those studies.</p> <p>The RSTC approved posting for 45-day industry comment period. A draft version of the guideline has been posted on the Reliability Guidelines, Security Guidelines, Technical Reference Documents, and White Papers page.</p>	Please submit comments via email using the comment form .	06/30/23	08/14/23

STANDARDS NEWS

NEW Webinar Resources Posted

NERC posted the [slide presentation](#) and [recording](#) from the July 13, 2023 Project 2019-04 – Modifications to PRC-005-6 Industry Webinar.

NEW Notice of Standards Committee Action without a Meeting

In accordance with Section 8.0 of the Standards Committee Charter, an email ballot will be sent to the Standards Committee on July 25, 2023, requesting action by July 27, 2023, on the following motion:

- Accept the revised Project 2023-04 – Modifications to CIP-003 Standard Authorization Request (SAR); and
- Authorize drafting revisions to the standard identified in the SAR.

The results of the vote shall be posted to the NERC website as provided in the Standards Committee Charter.

NEW Initial Ballots and Non-binding Poll Results for Project 2021-07 –Extreme Cold Weather Grid Operations, Preparedness, and Coordination

The initial ballots and non-binding polls of the associated Violation Risk Factors and Violation Severity Levels for Project 2021-07 – Extreme Cold Weather Grid Operations, Preparedness, and Coordination concluded at 8:00 p.m. Eastern, July 20, 2023 for the following standard and implementation plan:

- EOP-012-2 – Extreme Cold Weather Preparedness and Operations
- 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](#)

[Projected Standards Posting Schedule](#)

[Project Tracking Spreadsheet](#)

[2021–2023 Reliability Standards Development Plan](#)

[Quality Review Application](#)

[One-Stop Shop \(Status, Purpose, Implementation Plans, FERC Orders, RSAWs\)](#)

[CIP Standards Efficiency Review](#)

[Submit Questions or Feedback](#)

	Ballot	Non-binding Poll
Standard	Quorum / Approval	Quorum / Supportive Opinions
EOP-012-2	90.70% / 43.47%	89.05% / 43.59%
Implementation Plan	90.91% / 50.96%	N/A

NEW Initial Ballots and Non-binding Poll Results for Project 2022-02 – Modifications to TPL-001 and MOD-032

Initial ballots and non-binding polls of the associated Violation Risk Factors and Violation Severity Levels for Project 2022-02 – Modifications to TPL-001 and MOD-032 concluded at 8:00 p.m. Eastern, July 14, 2023 for the following standard and implementation plan:

- MOD-032-2 – Data for Power System Modeling and Analysis
- 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.

	Ballot	Non-binding Poll
Standard	Quorum / Approval	Quorum / Supportive Opinions
MOD-032-2	83.96% / 41.82%	81.72% / 39.78%
Implementation Plan	82.13% / 41.48%	N/A

NEW Nomination Period Open for Project 2021-03 – CIP-002 Supplemental Drafting Team Members Open

NERC is seeking nominations for supplemental (Group B) drafting team members for Project 2021-03 – CIP-002 through **8:00 p.m. Eastern, Friday, August 18, 2023**. The time commitment for this project is expected to be up to two face-to-face meetings per quarter (on average two full working days each meeting) with conference calls scheduled as needed to meet the agreed-upon timeline the review or drafting team sets forth. Team members may also have side projects, either individually or by subgroup, to present to the larger team for discussion and review. Lastly, an important component of the review and drafting team effort is outreach. Members of the team will be expected to conduct industry outreach during the development process to support a successful project outcome. By submitting a nomination form, you are indicating your willingness and agreement to actively participate in conference calls and face-to-face meetings. Previous drafting team experience is beneficial but not required. See the project page and nomination form for additional information.

Use the [electronic form](#) to submit a nomination. Contact [Wendy Muller](#) regarding issues using the electronic form. The unofficial Word version of the nomination form is posted on the [Standard Drafting Team Vacancies](#) page and the [project page](#). The Standards Committee is expected to appoint members to the drafting team in September 2023. Nominees will be notified shortly after they have been appointed.

GENERAL COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT NEWS

NEW Align Planned Maintenance

The ERO Enterprise has scheduled the Align system to be down for planned maintenance. The Align system will be down for scheduled maintenance starting from July 29, 2023, at 10:00 p.m. Eastern (7:00 p.m. Pacific) through July 30, 2023, at 10:00 a.m. Eastern (7:00 a.m. Pacific). This planned outage only affects Align. Information regarding this outage will also be displayed on the My Align News & Update section of Align, and the [Align and SEL web page](#).

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)
January 1, 2024	CIP-004-7 – Cyber Security – Personnel & Training CIP-011-3 – Cyber Security - Information Protection FAC-001-4 – Facility Interconnection Requirements Implementation Plan FAC-002-4 – Facility Interconnection Studies Implementation Plan TPL-007-4 – Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Disturbance Events (Requirements R7, 7.1–7.3, 7.3.1–7.3.2, 7.4, 7.4.1–7.4.3, 7.5, 7.5.1., R11, 11.1–11.3, 11.3.1–11.3.2, 11.4, 11.4.1–11.4.3, 11.5, and 11.5.1)
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 PRC-023-5 – Transmission Relay Loadability Implementation Plan PRC-026-2 – Relay Performance During Stable Power Swings Implementation Plan TOP-001-6 – Transmission Operations
October 1, 2024	EOP-012-1 – Extreme Cold Weather Preparedness and Operations (Requirements 1–2 effective 4/1/28; Requirement 4 effective 10/1/29)
April 1, 2026	CIP-003-9 - Cyber Security — Security Management Controls

BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND FERC ACTION

NEW FERC Open Meeting Agenda Posted

FERC released the sunshine agenda for its upcoming [July 27 open meeting](#). There are three items of interest for NERC:

- **E-1 - [RM22-14-000](#) - Improvements to Generator Interconnection Procedures and Agreements**
This item relates to a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking regarding FERC's pro forma Generator Interconnection Procedures and Agreements. NERC and the Regional Entities submitted [comments](#) on October 13, 2022.
- **E-2 - [RM22-19-001](#) - Incentives for Advanced Cybersecurity Investment**
This item relates to a rulemaking procedure establishing incentives for cybersecurity investments. The National Rural Electric Cooperative Association submitted a Request for Clarification or Rehearing. The request was denied by operation of law, but FERC issued a notice that it will be addressed in a future order.
- **E-11 - [EL23-69-000](#) - Secure-the-Grid Coalition**
This item relates to a request from Secure the Grid Coalition for FERC to direct NERC to make a new or revised Reliability Standard for Determining Critical Infrastructure, Using Engineering Models to Define Critical Infrastructure Assets to be Subject to Enhanced Protection. NERC submitted [comments](#) on June 16, 2023.

UPCOMING EVENTS

For information about other NERC events, such as meetings and conference calls for other standing committees, subcommittees, task forces, and working groups, please refer to the [NERC calendar](#).

Workshops and Conferences

- Electromagnetic Transient Boot Camp: Pre-Session – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, July 27, 2023 | [Register](#)
- Electromagnetic Transient Boot Camp: Individual IBR Plant Performance Assessment – 1:00–5:00 p.m. Eastern, August 3, 2023 | [Register](#)
- Joint NERC–FERC Physical Security Technical Conference – August 10, 2023, Atlanta | [In-person Registration](#) | [Webinar Registration](#) | [Agenda](#)
- Electromagnetic Transient Boot Camp: System Impact Assessment – 1:00–5:00 p.m. Eastern, September 14, 2023 | [Register](#)
- Monitoring and Situational Awareness Technical Conference – October 3–4, 2023, Salt Lake City, UT | **Save the Date**
- 2023 Probabilistic Analysis Forum – October 10–12, 2023, Salt Lake City, UT | **Save the Date**

- GridSecCon 2023 – October 17–20, 2023 | [Register](#)
- **NEW** Protection System Misoperation Workshop – October 25–26, 2023, Atlanta | [Register](#) | [Draft Agenda](#)
- 2023 NERC-NATF-EPRI Annual Transmission Planning and Modeling Workshop – November 1–2, 2023 | **Save the Date**

Webinars

- Project 2023-01 – EOP-004 IBR Event Reporting – 1:00–2:30 p.m. Eastern, August 15, 2023 | [Join Webex](#)

Standing Committee Meetings and Conference Calls

- **NEW** Reliability Issues Steering Committee Meeting – 12:00–1:00 p.m. Eastern, July 24, 2023 | [Register](#) | [Agenda Package](#)
- Member Representatives Committee Informational Session – 11:00 a.m.–12:30 p.m. Eastern, July 28, 2023 | [Register](#) | **NEW** [Agenda](#)
- Third Quarter Board of Trustees and Member Representatives Committee Meetings – August 16–17, 2023, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada | [In-person Registration](#) | [Virtual Registration](#) | [Hotel Information](#)

Standard Drafting Team Meetings

Below are the upcoming SDT meetings for the next four weeks. For a full listing of upcoming meetings, please refer to the [Standards calendar](#).

- Project 2016-02 – Modifications to CIP Standards Drafting Team Meeting – 2:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern, July 24, 2023 | [Register](#)
- Project 2022-02 – Modifications to TPL-001 and MOD-032 Standard Drafting Team Meeting – July 25–26, 2023, Eagan, MN | [Register](#)
- Project 2021-07 – Extreme Cold Weather Grid Operations, Preparedness, and Coordination Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, July 25, 2023 | [Register](#)
- **NEW** Project 2023-03 – Internal Network Security Monitoring Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 2:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern, July 25, 2023 | [Register](#)
- Project 2016-02 – Modifications to CIP Standards Drafting Team Meeting – 2:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern, July 26, 2023 | [Register](#)
- **NEW** Project 2023-03 – Internal Network Security Monitoring Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Eastern, July 27, 2023 | [Register](#)
- Project 2022-03 – Energy Assurance with Energy-Constrained Resources Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 12:00–1:00 p.m. Eastern, July 27, 2023 | [Register](#)
- Project 2021-07 – Extreme Cold Weather Grid Operations, Preparedness, and Coordination Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, July 27, 2023 | [Register](#)
- **NEW** Project 2020-04 – Modifications to CIP-012 Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Eastern, July 31, 2023 | [Register](#)

- Project 2022-03 – Energy Assurance with Energy-Constrained Resources Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 12:00–1:00 p.m. Eastern, August 1, 2023 | [Register](#)
- **NEW** Project 2023-03 – Internal Network Security Monitoring Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern, August 1, 2023 | [Register](#)
- **NEW** Project 2023-03 – Internal Network Security Monitoring Standard Drafting Team Meeting – 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Eastern, August 4, 2023 | [Register](#)
- **NEW** Project 2017-01 – Modifications to BAL-003 Phase II Drafting Team Meeting – 8:30–11:00 a.m. Eastern, August 18, 2023 | [Register](#)

ERO Enterprise Events

- **ReliabilityFirst** 2023 ReliabilityFirst Fall Workshop – September 26–27, 2023 | [Register](#)

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.