

# Standards, Compliance, and Enforcement Bulletin

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## ACTIVE STANDARDS POSTINGS

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

Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
<a href="#">Project 2022-03 – Energy Assurance with Energy-Constrained Resources</a>   Draft 1	<a href="#">Initial Ballots and Non-Binding Poll</a>	03/01/24	03/11/24
<a href="#">Project 2023-04 – Modifications to CIP-003</a>   Draft 2	<a href="#">Additional Ballots and Non-Binding Poll</a>	03/05/24	03/14/24

### Join Ballot Pools

Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
<a href="#">Project 2022-03 – Energy Assurance with Energy-Constrained Resources</a>   Draft 1	<a href="#">Join Ballot Pools</a>	01/25/24	02/23/24

### Posted for Comment

Project	Action	Start Date	End Date
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<a href="#">Project 2022-03 – Energy Assurance with Energy-Constrained Resources</a>   Draft 1	<a href="#">Comment Period</a>	01/25/24	03/11/24
<a href="#">Project 2023-04 – Modifications to CIP-003</a>   Draft 2	<a href="#">Comment Period</a>	01/30/24	03/14/24

Posted for Comment			
Posting	Action	Start Date	End Date
<p><b>Comment Period Open for Proposed Standard Authorization Request   Clarity of the Imbalance Equation in PRC-006:</b> This <a href="#">proposed SAR</a> is designed to reduce the risk associated with different interpretations of the imbalance equation in PRC-006-3. Certain interpretations can lead to significant risks in the design of the UFLS program under high Distributed Energy Resources (DER) penetrations. The project also aims to minimize the risk of DER tripping causing adjacent Under Frequency Load Shedding (UFLS) relay action on armed feeders. This can be achieved by adopting consistent modeling practices, similar to other stability depictions, for the UFLS database.</p> <p>The Reliability and Security Technical Committee (RSTC) approved posting for a 45-day industry comment period. A draft version of the proposed SAR has been posted on the <a href="#">Reliability Guidelines, Security Guidelines, Technical Reference Documents, and White Papers</a> page.</p>	Submit comments via email using the <a href="#">comment form</a> .	01/10/24	02/24/24

## STANDARDS NEWS

### **NEW Final Ballot Results for Project 2021-07 – Extreme Cold Weather Grid Operations, Preparedness, and Coordination**

Final ballots concluded **February 9, 2024** for EOP-012-2 – Extreme Cold Weather Preparedness and Operations and its Implementation Plan. The standard will be submitted to the Board of Trustees for adoption and then filed with the appropriate regulatory authorities. Voting statistics are listed below, and the [Ballot Results](#) page provides detailed results.

Standard	Quorum / Approval
EOP-012-2	89.04% / 82.01%
Implementation Plan	88.55% / 89.85%

### Quick Links

- [Register in the SBS](#)
- [Standards Project Prioritization \(November 2023\)](#)
- [Projected Standards Posting Schedule](#)
- [Project Tracking Spreadsheet](#)
- [2023-2025 Reliability Standards Development Plan \(Filed With FERC\)](#)
- [Quality Review Application](#)
- [One-Stop Shop \(Status, Purpose, Implementation Plans, FERC Orders, RSAWs\)](#)
- [Submit Questions or Feedback](#)

## GENERAL COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT NEWS

### **NEW Revised ERO Enterprise CIP Evidence Request Tool Posted**

NERC posted a [revised ERO Enterprise CIP Evidence Request Tool](#) (ERT). Additional changes were made after the initial publication of ERT V8. The changes include modifications related to BES Cyber System Information language in the ERT documents and other minor errata changes.

The CIP ERT is a common request for information tool for CIP Compliance monitoring engagements. The purpose of the CIP ERT is to help the ERO Enterprise with consistency and transparency in its audit approach. It will also help responsible entities (especially those that operate in multiple Regions) fulfill these requests more efficiently, by understanding what types of evidence are useful in preparation for an audit.

### 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 Increased EV-Charging Demand and Changing Load Profile Underscore Need for Cross-Sector Collaboration**

The advent and adoption of electric vehicles (EVs) is ushering in a transformative era in transportation, posing unique challenges to the grid and necessitating a cross-sector-coordinated approach to ensuring bulk power system reliability, resilience, and security. Historically, the transportation sector has largely remained independent of the electricity sector, but this is changing quickly as EV charging depends on the safe, reliable, resilient, secure, and affordable delivery of electricity. Additionally, this increase in demand has the potential to significantly change the load profile of the North American bulk power system.

NERC's [Potential Bulk Power System Impact of Electric Vehicle Chargers](#) white paper informs EV stakeholders and policymakers about the need for greater cross-sector collaboration. It also includes findings and recommendations from a NERC study that sought to determine how EV chargers interact with the grid to identify and promote grid-friendly behaviors about EVs and their charging systems. [Full Announcement](#)

**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)
<b>April 1, 2024</b>	<a href="#">FAC-003-5 – Transmission Vegetation Management</a>
	<a href="#">FAC-011-4 – System Operating Limits Methodology for the Operations Horizon</a>
	<a href="#">FAC-014-3 – Establish and Communicate System Operating Limits</a>
	<a href="#">IRO-008-3 – Reliability Coordinator Operational Analyses and Real-time Assessments</a>
	<a href="#">PRC-002-4 – Disturbance Monitoring and Reporting Requirements</a>   <a href="#">Implementation Plan</a>
	<b>NEWLY ADDED</b> <a href="#">PRC-023-6 – Transmission Relay Loadability</a>   <a href="#">Implementation Plan</a>
	<a href="#">PRC-026-2 – Relay Performance During Stable Power Swings</a>   <a href="#">Implementation Plan</a>
	<a href="#">TOP-001-6 – Transmission Operations</a>
<b>October 1, 2024</b>	<a href="#">EOP-012-1 – Extreme Cold Weather Preparedness and Operations</a> (Requirements 1–2 effective 4/1/28; Requirement 4 effective 10/1/29)
<b>July 1, 2025</b>	<a href="#">IRO-010-5 – Reliability Coordinator Data and information Specification and Collection</a>   <a href="#">Implementation Plan</a>
	<a href="#">TOP-003-6.1 – Transmission Operator and Balancing Authority Data and Information Specification and Collection</a>   <a href="#">Implementation Plan</a>
<b>April 1, 2026</b>	<a href="#">CIP-003-9 - Cyber Security – Security Management Controls</a>

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND FERC ACTION**

**UPDATED Resources for First Quarter 2024 Board of Trustees and Board Committee Meetings Now Available**

NERC’s first quarter Board of Trustees and Member Representatives Committee meetings and NERC Quarterly Technical Session are scheduled for February 14–15, 2024 in Houston, Texas. These meetings will be held in-person, with a listen/watch only-webcast option. Registration is available below and under [Upcoming Events](#).

Resources and Schedule		
February 14, 2024		February 15, 2024
<b>Finance and Audit Committee</b> <a href="#">Agenda Package</a> 7:45 a.m. Central	<b>Corporate Governance and Human Resources Committee</b> <a href="#">Agenda Package</a> 11:00 a.m. Central	<b>Board of Trustees</b> <a href="#">Agenda Package</a> 8:30 a.m. Central
<b>Regulatory Oversight Committee</b> <a href="#">Agenda Package</a> 8:30 a.m. Central	<b>NERC Quarterly Technical Session</b> <a href="#">Agenda Package</a> 12:30 p.m. Central	<b>Other:</b> <a href="#">Input</a>   <a href="#">Schedule of Events</a>   <a href="#">In-Person Registration</a>   <a href="#">Virtual Registration</a>
<b>Technology and Security Committee</b> <a href="#">Agenda Package</a> 9:45 a.m. Central	<b>Member Representatives Committee</b> <a href="#">Agenda Package</a> 3:30 p.m. Central	
To limit the need to connect and disconnect for the meetings, there will be one webcast link per day, which are provided below for ease, as well as available on respective agendas: <a href="#">February 14, 2024</a>   <a href="#">February 15, 2024</a>		

**NEW FERC Open Meeting Agenda Posted**

FERC has released its [agenda](#) for the upcoming February 15 meeting. Please note that it will take place at Howard University Law School and begin at 1:00 p.m. Eastern. The agenda includes one item related to NERC’s responsibilities under section 215 of the Federal Power Act:

- E-1 – RD24-1-000 – North American Electric Reliability Corporation
  - This item relates to NERC’s October 30, 2023 petition for approval of EOP-011-4 and TOP-002-5 as well as a Request for Expedited Action. These standards represent phase 2 of work to address standards recommendations from the February 2021 Winter Storm Uri joint inquiry report.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

For a full accounting of upcoming events, please refer to the [NERC Calendar](#).

#### Workshops and Conferences

Event	Time	Date	Location	Registration
GridSecCon 2024	All day	October 22–25	Minneapolis, MN	Save the Date

#### Webinars

Event	Time	Date	Registration
Project 2022-03 – Energy Assurance with Energy-Constrained Resources	1:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern	February 12	<a href="#">Join Webex</a>

#### Standing Committee Meetings and Conference Calls

Event	Time	Date	Location and Registration
Personnel Certification Governance Committee Meeting	8:00–9:00 a.m. Central	February 13	Houston, TX and <a href="#">Virtual</a>   <a href="#">Agenda</a>
Q1 2024 Board of Trustees and Board Committee Meetings	<a href="#">Schedule of Events</a>	February 14–15	<a href="#">Houston, TX</a> and <a href="#">Virtual</a>
Reliability and Security Technical Committee Meeting	All day	March 12–13	<a href="#">San Diego, CA</a>

#### Standard Drafting Team Meetings

Please refer to the [Standards](#) calendar for the most up-to-date listing of upcoming meetings.

Project	Time	Date	Registration
<b>NEW</b> Project 2023-03 – Internal Network Security Monitoring	9:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m. Eastern	February 12	<a href="#">Details</a>
<b>NEW</b> Project 2020-02 – Modifications to PRC-024 (Generator Ride-through)	11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Eastern	February 12	<a href="#">Details</a>
Project 2022-05 – Modifications to CIP-008 Reporting Threshold	2:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern	February 12	<a href="#">Details</a>
<b>NEW</b> Project 2022-02 – Modifications to TPL-001 and MOD-032	3:00–5:00 p.m. Eastern	February 12	<a href="#">Details</a>
<b>NEW</b> Project 2023-06 – CIP-014 Risk Assessment Refinement	10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Eastern	February 13	<a href="#">Details</a>
Project 2021-08 – Modifications to FAC-008	12:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern	February 13	<a href="#">Details</a>
<b>NEW</b> Project 2021-02 – Modifications to VAR-002-4.1	1:00–3:30 p.m. Eastern	February 13	<a href="#">Details</a>
<b>NEW</b> Project 2023-03 – Internal Network Security Monitoring	12:30–4:30 p.m. Eastern	February 14	<a href="#">Details</a>

Project 2022-03 – Energy Assurance with Energy-Constrained Resources	1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern	February 15	<a href="#">Details</a>
<b>NEW</b> Project 2023-06 – CIP-014 Risk Assessment Refinement	10:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Eastern	February 16	<a href="#">Details</a>
Project 2021-03 – CIP-002	12:00–2:00 p.m. Eastern	February 16	<a href="#">Details</a>
Project 2016-02 – Modifications to CIP	1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern	February 16	<a href="#">Details</a>
<b>NEW</b> Project 2020-02 – Modifications to PRC-024 (Generator Ride-through)	1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern	February 16	<a href="#">Details</a>
Project 2021-04 – Modifications to PRC-002 - Phase II	1:00–5:00 p.m. Eastern	February 21–22	<a href="#">Details</a>
Project 2022-03 – Energy Assurance with Energy-Constrained Resources	11:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m. Eastern	February 22	<a href="#">Details</a>
Project 2021-03 – CIP-002	12:00–2:00 p.m. Eastern	February 23	<a href="#">Details</a>
Project 2016-02 – Modifications to CIP	1:00–3:00 p.m. Eastern	February 23	<a href="#">Details</a>
Project 2022-05 – Modifications to CIP-008 Reporting Threshold	2:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern	February 26	<a href="#">Details</a>
<b>NEW</b> Project 2022-02 – Modifications to TPL-001 and MOD-032	2:00–4:00 p.m. Eastern	February 26	<a href="#">Details</a>

## 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](#).

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