



# **Updates on NERC Standards Under Development**

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## **NERC Standards Under Development – Commenting Phase**

- **Standards Process Manual**
  - Proposed manual is intended to result in improvements to the standards processes by making more efficient use of limited resources while improving the quality of standards and maintaining ANSI accreditation of the standards process
- **Project 2007-07 – Vegetation Management – FAC-003 (due 3/31/10)**
  - Elimination of “fill in the blank” components in the original (2006) standard

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## **NERC Standards Under Development – Commenting Phase (continued)**

- **Project 2008-01 – Voltage and Reactive Planning and Control (due 3/26/10)**
  - Improve the VAR Standards to require appropriate functional entity review of planning and operating protocols necessary to ensure sufficient reactive resources, acceptable voltage and reactive margins, and prevent voltage instability. Also to require an annual review and update of a five-year reactive support and control plan
- **Project 2010-07 – Transmission Requirements At The Generator Interface (due 3/15/10)**
  - Proposed changes to the requirements and the addition of new requirements will add significant clarity to Generator Owners and Generator Operators regarding their reliability standard obligations at the interface with the interconnected grid

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## **NERC Standards Under Development – Commenting Phase (continued)**

- **Project 2010-09 – Cyber Security Order 706B – Nuclear Implementation Plan (due 3/15/10)**
  - Per FERC Order 706B - Rather than the Commission setting an implementation schedule, we agree with commenters that the ERO should develop an appropriate schedule after providing for stakeholder input. Accordingly, we direct the ERO to engage in a stakeholder process to develop a more appropriate timeframe for nuclear power plants' full compliance with CIP Reliability Standards. Further, we direct NERC to submit, within 180 days of the date of issuance of this order, a compliance filing that sets forth a proposed implementation schedule
- **Project 2006-04 – Backup Facilities – EOP-008 (due 3/8/10)**
  - Ensure continued reliable operations of the Bulk Electric System (BES) in the event that a control center becomes inoperable.

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## **NERC Standards Under Development – Ballot Phase**

- **Project 2009-32 – Interpretation of EOP-003-1 R3 and R5 (due 3/8/10)**
  - Does it apply to Automatic Load Shedding or Auto and Manual Load Shedding?

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## **NERC Standards Under Development – Pre-Ballot Phase**

- **Project 2009-23 Interpretation of CIP-004-2 R3 by Army Corps of Engineers (due 3/29/10)**
  - Seeks clarification to types of evidence used for ID verification and types of criminal checks to be performed

**There are several additional SARs and Standards Under Development but not currently posted for comment**

## **NERC Standards Under Development – Not Currently Posted For Comment**

- **Additional SARs and Interpretations may be found at:**  
**[http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/Reliability Standards Under Development.html](http://www.nerc.com/filez/standards/Reliability_Standards_Under_Development.html)**