



# AESO Reliability Standards Monthly Report

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## CIP-002-3 to CIP-009-3 – Cyber Security

### **Purpose:**

Pre-ballot review of the Version 3 CIP standards.

### **Current Standards:**

The Version 2 Cyber Security Standards were approved by FERC on September 30, 2009. In its Order the Commission directed NERC to make additional changes to two of the Standards (CIP-006-2 and CIP-008-2) and the associated Implementation Plan.

### **Proposed Standards:**

The modifications to the NERC set of reliability standards and associated Implementation Plan requested in this SAR will enable NERC to comply with the FERC directives issued on September 30, 2009 and will ensure the protection of the critical cyber assets (including hardware, software, data, and communications networks) essential to the reliable operation of the North American bulk power system.

The Commission's Order directs NERC to submit a compliance filing within 90 days of the Order (i.e., by December 28, 2009) which, among other things, includes the following modifications:

- A modification to Reliability Standard CIP-006-2 – Cyber Security – Physical Security to add a requirement on visitor control programs, including the use of visitor logs to document entry and exit.
- A modification to Reliability Standard CIP-008-2 – Cyber Security – Incident Reporting and Response Planning, Requirement R1.6 to remove the last sentence of CIP-008-2 Requirement R1.6.
- A revised Version 2 Implementation Plan addressing the Version 2 CIP Reliability Standards, that clarifies the matters specified in the attachment to the September 30 Order.

### **Applicability:**

Reliability Coordinator, Balancing Authority, Interchange Authority, Transmission Service Provider, Transmission Owner, Transmission Operator, Generator Owner, Generator Operator, Load Serving Entity, NERC and Regional Entity.

### **Current Status:**

The standards were posted for recirculation ballot until December 14, 2009. The AESO cast an abstain ballot in the initial ballot period, which carries through to the recirculation ballot. The standards were approved by the ballot body.

### **NERC Link:**

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