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CIP Standards – Nuclear Facilities Implementation Plan

Purpose:

Posted to meet FERC order 706-B.

Current Standards:

The Version 1 CIP standards came into effect in 2006.

Proposed Standards:

In Order 706-B, FERC provided the following determination:

59. The Commission finds that it is not appropriate to dictate the schedule contained in Table 3 of NERC's Implementation Plan, i.e., a December 2010 deadline for auditable compliance, for nuclear power plants to comply with the CIP Reliability Standards. Instead of requiring nuclear power plants to implement the CIP Reliability Standards on a fixed schedule at this time, we agree to allow more flexibility.

60. 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.

Applicability:

Reliability Coordinator and Balancing Authority.

Current Status:

In order to be responsive to the September 15, 2009 FREC filing deadline and as a reflection of the significant involvement of the nuclear community in the development of this proposal, the NERC Standards Committee approved the team to shorten the comment period and pre-ballot review period, and if necessary, offer changes to the proposal based on the comments received before proceeding to ballot. The comment period and pre-ballot review is open until 8 a.m. EDT on August 14, 2009.

NERC Link:

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