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**Update**

On February 12, 2014 FERC accepted compliance filings submitted by NERC and the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC) to establish an independent reliability coordinator for the Western Interconnection known as Peak Reliability.

On July 1, 2014, the definition of the Bulk Electric System (BES) became effective. The definition includes core criteria with various enumerated inclusions and exclusions. FERC also approved NERC’s processes for reviewing elements on a case-by-case basis to allow for exceptions from the definition, and for entities to notify Regions of their respective self-determinations of BES elements. More information can be found at [Bulk Electric System Definition Effective July 1, 2014](http://www.nerc.com/news/Pages/Bulk-Electric-System-Definition-Effective-July-1%2C-2014.aspx)

A new standard, TPL-007-1, Transmission System Planned Performance for Geomagnetic Events, is being developed. The comment period on Draft 3 ends October 10, 2014. For more information go to [Project 2013-03 Geomagnetic Disturbance Mitigation](http://www.nerc.com/pa/Stand/Pages/Project-2013-03-Geomagnetic-Disturbance-Mitigation.aspx)

Critical Infrastructure Protection Standards Version 5 Revisions, which includes CIP Standards 003, 004, 006, 007, 009, 010, and 011, is open for comments through October 17, 2014. See [Project 2014-02 Critical Infrastructure Protection Standards Version 5 Revisions](http://www.nerc.com/pa/Stand/Pages/Project-2014-XX-Critical-Infrastructure-Protection-Version-5-Revisions.aspx) for more information.

A complete set of Reliability Standards, updated August 26, 2014, along with a Glossary of Terms, can be found at <http://www.nerc.com/pa/Stand/Reliability%20Standards%20Complete%20Set/RSCompleteSet.pdf>

Currently NERC, in Order No. 754, is requesting data on "Single Point of Failure" devices utilized in the BES. Protective relays are of particular interest. More information is available at <http://www.nerc.com/pa/stand/order%20754%20related%20files%20dl/order%20754%20-%20request%20for%20data%20or%20information.pdf>