2012 Audit Scope Plan

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Goals for today’s webinar

• Risk-Based Assessments
• Audit Scope
  – 693
  – CIP
  – Entities being audited for the first-time
  – Other entities
• Other considerations
Risk-Based Assessments

• 2012 NERC program has 3 Tiers
  – 2012 Actively Monitored List
• National risk-based assessment template
  – Deferred to 2013
  – NERC seeking industry input
• SPP RE is utilizing our own regional template
• SPP RE 2012 Audit Scope plan
693 Audit Scope - Entities audited for first time

- Tier 1 National mandatory program
- Tier 2 SPP RE program
- PRC-008 Added by SPP RE
- PRC-0017 Added by SPP RE

Scope may be adjusted based on:

- Your organization’s compliance history
  ▪ From ERO program beginning in June 2007
- Your organization’s reliability statistics
  ▪ As available to SPP RE
- SPP RE staff judgment
693 Audit Scope – Other Entities

- Tier 1 National mandatory program
- PRC-008 Added by SPP RE
- PRC-0017 Added by SPP RE

Scope may be adjusted based on:

- Your organization’s compliance history
  - From last SPP RE audit
- Your organization’s reliability statistics
  - Misoperations
  - Energy Emergency Alerts
  - Events
- SPP RE staff judgment
CIP Audit Scope – Entities audited for first time

- Hierarchical Level 1 (Tier 1): National mandatory program
- Hierarchical Level 2 (Tier 2): SPP RE program
- Terminated TFEs

Scope may be adjusted based on:

- Your organization’s compliance history
  - From CIP Standards Version 3 (October 1, 2010)
- Your organization’s reliability statistics
  - Primarily events
- Results of prior Spot Check
- SPP RE staff judgment
CIP Audit Scope – Other Entities

• Tier 1: National mandatory program
• Terminated TFEs

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  ▪ Primarily events
– Results of prior audit
– SPP RE staff judgment
Supporting Evidence

• If scope does not include “program” documentation but does include program performance, your evidence must include documentation to put performance data into context

• Example:
  – Entity is being audited for Tier 1 – FAC-009
  – FAC-009 requires evidence of facilities ratings documentation based on your ratings methodology (FAC-008)
  – Facility ratings cannot be put into context without documentation regarding methodologies outlined in FAC-008 (Tier 2)
  – To make facilities ratings documentation meaningful, you must provide as supporting evidence either:
    ▪ Entire facilities ratings methodology document
    ▪ Specific excerpts
Reliability Standard Auditor Worksheets

• Complete and return RSAWS for all requirements indicated in initial audit notice
  – Requirements that are not required should be noted as such: *not required in initial audit notice*

• **Best practice:**
  – Complete all applicable RSAWS for Tier 1, 2, and 3
  – Hold those labeled *not required in initial audit notice* in case SPP RE requests them as part of audit scope expansion
  – Be prepared to provide evidence for Tier 2 and 3 in case audit scope is expanded

• RSAWS located on [NERC.com>Compliance>Resources](#)
Next Steps

• Expect audit packet at least 90 days before audit
  – Will identify evidence submittal dates/logistics

• Auditors generally follow-up with phone calls after sending packet

• Please direct questions to audit team leader identified in packet

• SPP RTO Compliance Department can help evaluate compliance readiness with document reviews, Compliance Support website, and more
  – Contact April Brooks (SPPRTOCompliance@spp.org - 501.688.1641)
**Coming Attractions**

- **February 28-29**  *RE Spring Workshop*, Baton Rouge
- **March 1**  *RTO Compliance Forum*, Baton Rouge
- **March 15**  Webinar: Stakeholder input on summer assessment
- **May 22-23**  *CIP Workshop*, Dallas
Southwest Power Pool
Regional Entity

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