

2nd consultation notice Project QC-2021-03

July 2021

Notice recipients

- Entities listed in the Register of Entities
- North American Electric Reliability Corporation, Inc. (NERC)
- Northeast Power Coordinating Council (NPCC)
- NPCC Reliability Coordinators
- Régie de l'énergie du Québec (the "Régie") [Québec Energy Board]

Consultation period: July 15, 2021 to August 5, 2021.

Purpose of the consultation

In accordance with the process established by the Régie in Decision [D-2011-139](#), the Québec Reliability Coordinator (the "Coordinator") is asking Registered Entities for comments on the Register of Entities Subject to Reliability Standards statutory update (the "Register"). More specifically, this second consultation notice follows the Régie's request made in its [letter](#) [In French only] of July 14, 2021 in filing [R-4154-2021](#), by which the Régie asks the Coordinator to consult the Registered Entities on the withdrawal of **Appendix F – List of Facilities designated under certain CIP-002-5.1 criteria** from the Register. In fact, in its answer to question 3 of request for information no. 1 (exhibit [B-0021](#) [In French only]) in filing [R-4154-2021](#), the Coordinator indicates that Appendix F is no longer relevant in the Register.

Given the importance the Régie grants for critical infrastructure, the Coordinator consults all the Registered Entities to ensure that they:

- Confirm their understanding that the burden of identifying and categorizing medium impact BES Cyber Systems according to one or more Designation Criteria in Appendix 1 of [CIP-002-5.1a](#) (either according to criteria 2.3, 2.6, 2.7 or 2.9) belongs to the responsible concerned responsible Registered Entities (owners of these systems and assets). In this regard, refer to section b) of the letter from the Régie as well as to standard [CIP-002-5.1a](#).
- Do not oppose the removal of the last paragraph of Appendix F from the Register nor the removal of Appendix F in its entirety. Refer to section a) of the [letter](#) from the Régie [In French only].
- Provide, if appropriate, an assessment of the impact of the removal of Appendix F from the Register on their activities.

The Coordinator solicits the feedback of Registered Entities on matters regarding the three (3) previously mentioned aspects. For this purpose, please provide your comments using the online consultation form under this notice available on the Public consultation of entities page of the Reliability Coordinator's website: (<https://www.hydroquebec.com/reliability-coordinator/documentation/consultation.html>), making sure to clearly identify the related aspect to which your comments pertain.

You may also send your questions and feedback directly to the following address: fiabilite@hydro.qc.ca.

Additional documents

- [Letter](#) from the Régie of July 14, 2021 [In French only]
- Redline [Register of Entities](#) (exhibit B-0020 in filing [R-4154-2021](#))