**1. RECOMMENDED ACTION: EFFECT OF EC VOTE TO ACCEPT RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

|  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Accept as requested |  | Change to Existing Practice |
|  | Accept as modified below | x | Status Quo |
| x | Decline |  |  |

**2. TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT/MAINTENANCE**

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| **Per Request:** | **Per Recommendation:** |
|  | Initiation |  | Initiation |
| x | Modification |   | Modification |
|  | Interpretation |  | Interpretation |
|  | Withdrawal |  | Withdrawal |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | Principle |  | Principle |
|  | Definition |  | Definition |
| x | Business Practice Standard |  | Business Practice Standard |
| x | Document |  | Document |
|  | Data Element |  | Data Element |
|  | Code Value |  | Code Value |
|  | X12 Implementation Guide |  | X12 Implementation Guide |
|  | Business Process Documentation |  | Business Process Documentation |

**3. RECOMMENDATION**

**SUMMARY:**

No further action is necessary at this time.

**4. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION**

**a. Description of Request:**

2020 WEQ Annual Plan Item 4.a – Review annually at a minimum, WEQ-012 and the accreditation requirements for Authorized Certification Authorities to determine if any changes are needed to meet market conditions.

2020 WEQ Annual Plan Item 4.b – Evaluate and modify standards as needed to support and/or complement the current version of the NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection Standards and any other activities of NERC and the FERC related to cybersecurity.

**b. Description of Recommendation:**

No action is recommended at this time. The WEQ CSS [identified](https://naesb.org/pdf4/weq_css081120w1.docx) several NERC and FERC activities for review and determined that no actions are needed at this time to address standards under development at NERC, standards approved by the NERC Board of Trustees, or FERC Final Order No. 866.

While no action is proposed at this time, the subcommittee will continue to monitor NERC efforts related to NERC Project 2016-02 Modifications to CIP Standards, NERC Project 2019-02 BES Cyber System Information Access Management, NERC Project 2019-03 Cyber Security Supply Chain Risks, NERC Project 2020-03 Supply Chain Low Impact Revisions and NERC Project 2020-04 Modifications to CIP-012. The subcommittee will also monitor for any future FERC action regarding the FERC Notice of Inquiry Potential Enhancements to the Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards in Docket No. RM20-12-000.

**c. Business Purpose:**

None.

**d. Commentary/Rationale of Subcommittee(s)/Task Force(s):**

Reference Meeting Minutes:

* [May 12, 2020](https://naesb.org/pdf4/weq_css051220fm.doc)
* [June 30, 2020](https://naesb.org/pdf4/weq_css063020fm.doc)
* [August 11, 2020](https://www.naesb.org/pdf4/weq_css081120fm.doc)
* August 25, 2020