FERC Security Program
Requirements and Cyber Brief
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Introduction

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• DHS Special Guests
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Ground Rules

• DHS ICS-CERT – 1-hr including Q&A

• FERC – 30mins with time for Q&A

• Type questions at the presentation’s end
Department of Homeland Security

Industrial Control System -
Cyber Emergency Response Team
Pre-Inspection Notification

1. Complete Checklists

2. Discuss Checklists and Cyber Assets

3. Have VA, SA, SP, IERRR available

4. Provide 2016 Annual Certification letter
Reminder Revision 3A

History

- April 2015 – Email about the draft and open comment period
- August 2015 – Posted Revision 3 on ferc.gov
- September 2015 – Notification to Licensees/Exemptees and email checklist
- January 2016 – Revision 3 in effect
- March 2016 – Revision 3A, FAQs and Cyber Security Checklist posted to ferc.gov
- April 2016 – Mass Mailing Completed
- May 2016 – FERC Security Program Webinar
- December 2016 – Cyber Security Checklist Should be Completed
- December 2017 – Cyber Security Measures Implemented
Reminder Revision 3A

Physical Security – Minor Changes

• Group 1, 2 dams:
  – New NTAS, National Terrorism Advisory System
  – SP requirements

• Group 1 dams:
  – VA requirements
  – Evaluate 5 DBT for each critical asset

• Group 2 dams:
  – SA requirements
  – Use of generic threat to baseline assess security
Reminder Revision 3A

Cyber Security – Major Changes

• All Group 1 & 2s determine cyber assets

• Complete the checklist, look for gaps

• “Enhanced” and/or “Baseline” measures implemented
**Reminder Revision 3A**

**Cyber Security – Major Changes**

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### Cyber Asset Designation & Requirement Flowchart

- **Consequence Description**
  - The potential Population at Risk (PAR) within 3 miles of the dam
  - The potential PAR within 60 miles of the dam
  - The total PAR due to the reservoir release scenario
  - Total economic losses (replacement/revenue and O&M damages)
  - Disruption of essential services (power, navigation, water, etc.)

- **Threshold Value**
  - > 60 people
  - > 500 people
  - > 12,500 people
  - > $100 Million
  - > municipal/city disruption

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**Context**
- Total Interconnected Capacity < 100 MW: Non-Critical
- Total Interconnected Capacity > 100 MW: Operational
- Total Interconnected Capacity > 1,000 MW: Critical

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**Decision Path**

- **Group 1* and Group 2* dam**
  - Asset (e.g., gate, low level outlet, powerhouse, etc.)
  - Operated remotely or with automated operations (e.g., SCADA)

  - **Yes**
    - Can compromise cause dam failure, release of water, or lost generation?
      - Yes
        - Are consequences above the thresholds (see above)?
          - Yes
            - “Critical” cyber asset
          - No
            - “Operational” cyber asset
        - No
          - “Non-Critical” cyber asset
          - checklist
          - baseline measures
      - No
        - “Non-Critical” cyber asset
        - checklist
        - baseline measures
  - **No**
    - “Non-Critical” cyber asset
    - reassess annually or if conditions change

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*Interconnected Group 3 dam assets must adhere to the most critical connected cyber asset designation requirements*

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*Use this flowchart to determine whether or not you have cyber assets at your facility.*
Lessons Learned – 2016 Season

- Form 3 – provide rationale
- Powerhouse Consequences - not just generation
- Cyber Asset Inventory – Licensee/Exemptee vs FERC
- If NERC–CIP → document
- USACE & BOR Projects
- Powerhouses not operated by the Licensee/Exemptee
- Group 3 Dams – MW > 100 or Black Start Capability
- Interconnected Facilities (Group 1, 2, and 3)
Licensee Expectation – 2017 Season

- Form 3 Cyber Security Checklist
- Identify all cyber assets including justifications for designations
- Address all gaps
- FERC Hydro Security Checklist (v5)
- NERC/D2SI assets
  - Identify cyber assets (non-critical, operational, critical)
  - Provide NERC audit results/recommendations
- Implement cyber & physical security measures – NLT December 2017
- EOT request hardcopy – 6 months prior (e.g. by June 2017)
Suspicious Activity Report (SAR)

• Report All Suspicious Activities (physical and cyber) to Local, State, and Federal Law Enforcement

• Evaluate physical protection of cyber systems as well

• Complete FERC SAR form and email to your Project Engineer

• Keep track of all SARs (track history and trend)

• Report to HSIN (account required – optional, FERC can report for you)
Suspicious Activity Report (SAR)

HSIN Account Request

• Send email request to damsportal@hq.dhs.gov

• DHS will send instructions with application form

• Once approved, gain access to:
  – Free online training
  – Free security guidelines (physical and cyber)
  – Access to all SARs
  – Access to Threat Bulletins
Drones/UAS/UAV

• What is the Threat*?
  – Weaponized or Smuggling Payloads
  – Prohibited Surveillance and Reconnaissance
  – Intellectual Property Theft
  – Intentional Disruption or Harassment

• Why is this Important for Critical Infrastructure*?
  – Increased purchases for commercial/recreational use of drones will increase potential threats
  – Physical and operational characteristics of drones can often evade detection
  – Creates challenges for critical infrastructure community

• What You Can Do*?
  – Implement legally approved counter-UAS technology
  – Contact FAA to consider UAS restrictions near facilities
  – Update SP for UAS security and response strategies
  – Report potential threats to local law enforcement

*As modified from DHS website.
Drones/UAS/UAV

• Helpful Resources/Contact information
  – https://www.dhs.gov/uas-ci
  – https://www.faa.gov/uas/
  – uashelp@faa.gov (email address)
  – No Drone Zone Tool Kit
    https://www.faa.gov/uas/where_to_fly/no_drone_zone/

*No Drone Zone Tool Kit can be posted around your facility as a deterrent, however, the only way to prosecute is if the drone lands or takes off on your property (coordinate with local law enforcement). There are currently no air space regulations for critical infrastructure.
• Helpful Resources Continued
  – Summary of Small Unmanned Aircraft Rule (Part 107)

FAA News (Link to Part 107)
Physical Security Considerations

- **At the perimeter**
  - Fence line minimum 6 ft. w/1 ft. top guard facing 45 degrees outward (industry standard)
  - No large gaps you can slip through
  - Tension wire is present & intact
  - No trees overhang or are growing into fence
  - Foliage is 10’ offset on both sides of fence
  - Gate openings can’t be pushed to create gap
  - Fence hardware intact (tact welded, etc.)

- **Around the powerhouse**
  - Cracked doors, windows, & roll-up bays should be protected (summer heat)
  - PLCs should have pass code or physically protected
  - Hinges inside or tack welds are best
  - Cameras/sensors inside and out
  - Roof access should be protected (locked) from inside
  - All wires should be in conduits and junction boxes locked
  - No gap to pick lock/deadbolt (susceptible to shimming, jimmying, prying, etc.)
Physical Security Considerations

- **At the spillway gates**
  - Controls to motors locked
  - Power source protected
  - Maintenance hatch locked

- **At all access points (e.g. road leading to dam)**
  - Access Control (e.g. gates, locks, card readers, turnstiles, escorted access, etc.)
  - Cameras and/or sensors
  - Controlled access for ATVs, dirt bikes, etc.
  - Additional measures to be deployed at increased threat levels (e.g. jersey barriers, armed guards, law enforcement, etc.)
  - Pedestrian vs. vehicular traffic controlled

- **Waterside of the dam (and powerhouse)**
  - Boat barriers – public safety & line of demarcation
  - Controlled access to spillway/intake gate or powerhouse
Final Thoughts

• 2017 Inspection
  – Complete checklists beforehand
  – Discuss cyber assets
  – Have all documentation available for review
• Compliant with Revision 3A by Dec. 31, 2017
• Report Suspicious Activity
• Stay informed about the FAA and Drones/UAS/UA V
• Consider Physical Security Measures
• Do Not E-File any Security Related Material, including certification letter
Questions?
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