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Routine administrative amendments to Rule 027: Specified Penalties for Contravention of Reliability Standards

On May 20, 2026, the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) approved amendments to Rule 027: *Specified Penalties for Contravention of Reliability Standards*.

The Alberta Electric System Operator (AESO) adapts North American Electric Reliability Corporation reliability standards to apply to the Alberta electricity market. The AUC approves the AESO’s recommendations and makes corresponding changes to Rule 027 to help ensure that market participants’ conduct supports the reliable operation of the Alberta electric system.

For the past few updates to Rule 027, the Commission determined that the changes were administrative in nature and did not necessitate a consultative process. The same determination has been made for these amendments.

The changes to Rule 027 involve the addition of two amended reliability standards, approved in Decision 28903-D01-2024, which have superseded their previous versions in the new version of Rule 027. There are no changes to the associated penalty categories for either standard. All reliability standards are available in full on the AESO’s website (<https://www.aeso.ca/rules-standards-and-tariff/alberta-reliability-standards/>).

The following changes are applied to the penalty table in Rule 027:

Reliability standard	Reliability standard/definition name	Penalty category
CIP-004-AB-7 (previously CIP-004-AB-5.1)	<i>Cyber Security – Personnel & Training</i>	2
CIP-011-AB-3 (previously CIP-011-AB-1)	<i>Cyber Security – Information Protection</i>	8 (R1), 1 (R2)

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