# **Align Self-Certification User Guide**

Welcome to the Align User Guide for the Self-Certifications (Self-Cert) module specific to the CEA role. Along with the Align <u>instructional videos</u>, this user guide will help you navigate all the features included in this module. Click on a topic in the list below or in the ribbon above to begin.

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*Notice*: Updates to the Self-Certifications and Attestation functionality remain under development as of this version update. This User Guide reflects current functionality in the Align and updates will be made as future releases are deployed to improve Self-Certifications and Attestation functionality.



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1 Enter the Align Username

2 Enter the Align Password

*Notice*: All Align users MUST have an ERO Portal Account. Refer to the <u>CEAs Align User Access Guide</u> for details.



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# **Self-Certification Overview**

There are two modules related to Self-Certifications for CEA users: Self-Certifications and Self-Certification Administration.

1 Self-Certifications module is used for creating new Self-Certifications Distributions as well as processing the Self-Certifications records themselves. The bulk of this User Guide focuses on the Self-Certification module.

2 Self-Certification Administration module is used for managing regionspecific (custom) questions used by CEAs to augment Self-Certification requests.

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In the CEA view of the Self-Certification module in Align, there are several tabs with different purposes:

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**Create Distribution** – Create new Self-Certification Distributions.

Active – Lists active Self-Certifications pending entity responses.

Scheduled – Lists scheduled Self-Certifications but not yet visible to entities

**In Review** – Lists Self-Certifications submitted for review.

**Completed** – Displays all completed Self-Certification requests.

**Processed Distributions** – Lists processed Self-Cert distributions and may be used to create distribution templates or locate favorite templates.

**ARE Self-Certs** – Displays Self-Cert requests for which the CEA is an Affected Regional Entity (ARE) in the Coordinated Oversight Program.

**RFIs** – Lists active Self-Cert Requests for Information.

**RFEs** – Lists all Self-Cert Requests for Extension.



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To navigate to the **Self-Certifications** module:

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There are 4 ways to create a Self-Certification Distribution:

**Create Entity Distribution (A)** button allows you to pre-select the applicable Registered Entities for the Self-Certification.

**Create Function Distribution (B)** button allows you to pre-select the Functions applicable to the Self-Certification.

**Create Requirement Distribution (C)** 

button allows you to pre-select the applicable Requirements for the Self-Certification.

**General Self-Certification (D)** does not pre-select entities, functions, or requirements but creates a basic version of a Self-Certification.

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To draft a general Self Certification Distribution:

Click the plus icon.

2 Enter a custom title for this Self-Cert in the Name field. This will be visible to entities.

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Click the **calendar** icons to enter dates.

**Visibility Date**: The date the entity can see the Self-Cert.

**Start Date:** The date the entity can begin editing the Self-Cert.

**Due Date:** The date the entity is expected to submit its Self-Cert response to the CEA.

*Notice*: The Visibility and Start Date will automatically populate to the current date. The Due Date will automatically populate to 30 days from the current date.

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Click the calendar to select the Monitoring Period Start and Monitoring Period End dates to define the Self-Cert monitoring period.

The **Instructions to entity** field, which will be visible to entities, can be used to provide additional instruction.

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To add a requirement to the distribution:



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2 In the **Requirement Selection** section, click the **hyperlink** to add or remove requirements.

**3** Click the link icon.



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Check the **box(es)** to select the requirements you wish to add.

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To preview the drafted Self-Certification with chosen entities, requirements, and functions, navigate to the **Distribution and Question Preview** tab.

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Review the Self-Cert Distribution Preview to confirm selections are correct.

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Review the Self-Cert Question Preview to confirm questions are correct.

*Notice*: The draft distribution may need to be **Updated** (A) before the information will display in the preview.

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8 Select **Submit** from the dropdown.

9 Click Update.

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attestation you wish to review.

Select the **Renewal Date**.

- Select Approve or Disapprove from the dropdown.
- Type any **comments**. (Will be visible to the Entity)

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- Type any **comments**. (Will be visible to the Entity)
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- Select **Approve or Disapprove** from the dropdown.

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# Sending a Self-Certification Distribution

To send the Self-Certification request(s) to identified Registered Entities:

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Click the **Request ID** on the Create Distribution tab.

Navigate to the Action tab.

Select **Submit** from the dropdown.

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*Notice:* The Self –Certification request(s) will now appear in the Active Self-Certs tab or the Scheduled Self-Certs tab if the Start Date occurs in the future



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## **Requests for Extensions**

An entity may submit a Request for Extension (RFE) for the Self-Cert. RFEs appear on the My Align dashboard and can be accessed from the Self-Cert RFEs tab.

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To approve/disapprove an RFE:

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1 Locate the relevant Request for Extension (RFE) in the **Items Awaiting My Review** section in the My Align dashboard (A) or navigate to the **RFEs** tab in the **Self**-**Certifications** module (B).

2 Click the **RFE Unique ID** to open the RFE for review.

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#### IGN **Reviewing a Self-Certification Response** To view entities' Self-Cert Self-Certifications $\mathbf{\vee}$ Align for Regions responses submitted for CEA 1 Processed Distributions A- ARE Self-Certs A- RFIs A- RFEs -1- Scheduled -1- Active Create Distribution -∕- In Review SELF-CERT SUBMITTALS AWAITING CEA REVIEW review: STANDARD(S) AND MONITORING SUBMITTAL UNIQUE ID REGISTRATION CEA POC SHORT NAME REQUIREMENT(S) PERIOD DATE 2 Navigate to the **In Review** Ŀ SC2021-000136 5555 - Test Entity Name Change in WECC SC2021-000142 - NCR55555 - Test Entity Name Change in WECC - CIP-002-5 tab. SC2021-000142 NCR555555 - Test Entity Name Change in WECC Entity SC2021-0001 SC2021-000142 Open the **Unique ID** you CIP-002-5.1a R2. Section SC2021-00018 wish to review. SC2021-00018 Self-Cert Assessmer Please indicate your \* Compliant response for this requirement: QUESTIONS Please provide any In the Self-Cert Assessments comments you might have REQUIREMENT (PART) ANSWER related to this section, click the hyperlink to Requirement here: NCR5555 CIP-002-5.1a R1. 3 Delegate Section No open the entity's responses. NCR5555 CIP-002-5.1a R1.1. NCR5555 CIP-002-5.1a R1.2 **Review** the entity's responses, NCR5555 I < ■ Page CIP-002-5.1a R1.3. 1 NCR5555 including answers. INSTRUCTIONS CIP-002-5.1a R2. 1 NCR5555 CIP-002-5.1a R2.1 These Self-Certifications have bee Close NCR5555 CIP-002-5.1a R2.2 NCR55555 Test Company in WECC Editor PRC-005-6 R1. Compliant NCR55555 Test Company in WECC Editor PRC-005-6 R1.1. Written Text - Open to View Answer K • Page 1 of 1 H Ð

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If you need the entity to update their response, select **Revise**.

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In the **Note** textbox, provide an update to explain to the entity your revision request.

7 Click **Update**.

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to an entity:

In the **Requests for Information** section click the **plus icon**.

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To send a Request for Information

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2 Type request **comments** in the textbox and add any **attachments**.

*Notice:* You must have an Applicable Standard/Requirement/Part (A) filled in to be able to submit the RFI.

Select the **Response Due By** date.

#### Click Update.

*Notice*: Clicking **Update** will send the Request for Information to the entity for their response. Their response will <u>not</u> appear on your My Align dashboard but will appear in the RFI section of the Self-Cert. In addition, RFIs can be submitted at any time after distribution. RFIs should be placed in Completed status prior to Completing the Self-Cert Review.

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To create a Review Note for a Self-Certification and capture fieldwork details:



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Navigate to the In Review tab.

Click the **Unique ID** to open the desired Self-Cert.

In the **Self-Cert Assessments section,** click the **plus icon** next to the applicable requirement.

*Notice*: Self-Cert **Review Notes** will not be visible to the entity. Adding Review Notes is not required to complete and close the Self-Cert.



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Type any **comments** related to the review completed.

6 Click Update.

If you wish to edit your Review Note after creating, click the **Edit** link (A) in the Self-Cert Assessment section to resume updating Review Notes.

*Notice*: Review Notes are not visible to the Registered Entity.

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The **Review Comments** section of the Self-Cert is used to document the CEA reviewer, region comments and response for the overall Self-Cert (summary for all requirement(s) included in the Self-Certification) as well as confirm sending notification to the entity when ready.

Text written into the Region Comment field will be visible to the entity when they open the Self-Cert in Align.

When the review is completed and Region Response is marked Closed, CEAs should ensure "Send Notification of answer to entity" is marked yes.

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To update Review Comments on a Self-Certification:

Navigate to the In **Review** tab.

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Click the **Unique ID** to 2 open the Self-Cert.

Scroll to the **Review** 3 **Comments** section.

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Click in the Assigned
 Reviewer field and select
 reviewer from the dropdown.

*Notice:* For easier selection, you can also type the name (A) of the reviewer in this field to filter the list of results. Ensure correct name is selected, as this list will currently display entity users as well.

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Use the **Region Comment** field to provide any comments to the entity specific to the state of the review (**Region Response** field). Text entered in this field is visible to the entity.

When closing the Self-Cert, this field should be used to summarize the closure for notification to the entity.



Select the **Region Response** from the **dropdown**. Options are: Closed with no PNC Closed with PNC In Review Not Reviewed

*Notice*: When closing the Self-Cert "with PNC" or "with no PNC", if any requirement(s) in scope of the Self-Cert activity resulted in Non-Compliant (entity or CEA determination), "Closed with PNC" should be selected for **Region Response** status.

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	<b>Review Comments</b>								
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Region Response	Closed with no PNC	n review							
Ensure any Draft Findings cr	eated by the CEA are submitte	None							
Send Notification of		Closed with no PNC							
unswer to entry:		Closed with PNC							
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Select **Yes or No** for "Send Notification of answer to entity?" using the **dropdown**.

If you select **Yes**, type the response for notification (A) to the entity in the provided textbox. This text is included in the email notification.

If you select **No**, a notification will not be sent to the entity. The entity will not receive an automatic nonfiction of review completed.

*Notice*: When closing the Self-Cert "with PNC", if any requirement(s) in scope of the Self-Cert activity resulted in Non-Compliant identified by the CEA, ensure Draft Findings are created and submitted (from **Findings** module) before closure of the Self-Cert to ensure preliminary screening occurs with required Rules of Procedure timelines.

Click Update.

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	Poview Commonts
	Review Comments
Assigned Reviewer	WECC Editor 1
Region comment	The responses to this Self-Certification have been reviewed and will be closed with no PNC based on review.
Region Response	Closed with no PNC
insure any Draft Findings cr	eated by the CEA are submitted before closure of the Self-Cert. Draft Findings should be submitted from the Findings dashboard.
Send Notification of answer to entity?	Yes
Notification content of answer to entity	This Self-Certification review is completed and closed. Please refer to Align for additional information, including specifics on provided Related Issues.
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# **Reviewing Additional Question Responses**



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If Additional Questions were included in the Self-Certification activity, entity responses should be reviewed.



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Review the answers to any additional questions included.



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*Notice*: Additional Questions are added through the **Self-Certification Administration** module. Additional details for custom questions will be included in future user guide revisions.



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# **Related Findings**

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Any Findings related to the scope of the Self-Cert can be reviewed through the Findings section of the Self-Cert record. The **Related Findings** portlet will display the Align ID, requirement, status, start date, and monitoring method.

#### To locate:

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- Scroll to the **Findings** section and click to expand.



### Click on any ID, if any, to see further details about the finding.

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Note: The red flag indicates there is an Active A	ttestation							
CREATE FINDING			RELATED FINI	DINGS				
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NCR55555 - Test Entity Name Change in WECC	PRC-005-6 R1.	+	Type: Potential Non-	NCR55555 - Test Entity Name	CIP-003-8 R2.	Processing Complete	08/24/2020	Self- Report
NCR55555 - Test Entity Name Change in WECC	CIP-003-8 R2.	+	Type: Potential Non-	NCR55555 - Test Entity Name	PRC-005-6 R1.	Processing Complete	A	Self- Certificatior
			Type: Potential Non-	NCR55555 - Test Entity Name	CIP-003-8 R2.	Processing Complete	02/24/2021	Self- Report
			2021-00600 Type: Potential Non-	NCR55555 - Test Entity Name	CIP-003-8 R2.	Processing Complete		Self- Certification
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*Notice*: If the entity replied to any Self-Cert Assessments as Non-Compliant but a related Finding cannot be identified, such as one identified with "Self-Certification" as the monitoring method (A), region staff should follow up with the entity to confirm Finding record(s) exist.



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5 Following region processes, fill out the **Create a Finding** form.

Click <mark>Save</mark>.

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The draft Finding created will display in the Findings section of the Self-Cert, but the CEA will need to submit the draft from the Findings module in Align.

Ensure any changes to the Self-Cert record are saved (pressing Update) before moving to next steps.

*Notice*: Refer to the **Align Enforcement and Mitigation User Guide** for additional instructions when creating a Finding.

	Instructions			
complete the information on thubmit.	nis form and <b>Save</b> your Finumy as a draft. You can access dra	ft Findings under the <b>Drafts</b> section of the <b>0</b>	Create Finding tab and continue editing until	you are ready to
Created By CEA	Yes			
Monitoring Method	Self-Certification			
	General Information			
Registration	NCR55555 - Test Entity Name Change in WECC			
Entity in Coordinated Oversight	No	Region – Jurisdiction in which the Potential	WECC-US	
Applicable Requirement	PRC-005-6 R1.	Other Region –		
Applicable Part(s)	PRC-005-6 R1.1. # PRC-005-6 R1.2. #	Jurisdiction(s) where you are reporting this Potential Noncompliance		
Applicable Reliability Function(s)	BA × GO × ·	]		
	Discovery and Description			
When was the Potential Noncompliance	<b></b>	When did the Potential Noncompliance start? * @	<b></b>	
How was this Potential Noncompliance		What is the basis for your selecting this start date? *		

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To create a Positive Observation, Area of Concern, or Recommendation:

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Navigate to the **In Review** tab.

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  - Click the **Unique ID** to open the Self-Cert.
- 3 Click to expand the **Related Issues** section.
- 4 Click the applicable **plus icon** to add a:
  - (A) Positive Observation
  - (B) Area of Concern
  - (C) Recommendation

*Notice*: There is a delay after clicking the + sign to add Positive Observations, Areas of Concern, and Recommendations. Please be patient for the pop-up to open. Any additional clicking will result in multiple popup windows opening unnecessarily.



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Fill out the information related to the Issue for the Self-Cert.

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*Notice:* The Related Issue that was just created will be in a "Draft" status by default. The user can choose to change the status to "Final" prior to saving, or the user can go back in and change the status to "Final" prior to completing the Self-Cert Review. All issues must be completed

Also, entities are not automatically notified of any included Related Issues with the Self-Cert review. CEAs should ensure the entity is notified if Related Issues are included in the completion of the Self-Cert.

prior to completing the Self-Cert.

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# **Completing a Self-Certification Review**



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If you have completed your review and are ready to close the Self-Cert:

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Ensure **Review Comments** section is updated and **Region Response** per region processes. If closed with PNC, ensure related Finding(s) exist. Also ensure a notification is sent to the entity with completion.

2 Scroll to the Action section, select Review Completed from the dropdown.



	SC2021-000183					
1	Review Comments					
Assigned Reviewe	WECC Editor 1					
Region commer	Legion comment The responses to this Self-Certification have been reviewed and will be closed with no PNC based on review.					
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Ensure any Draft Findings	created by the CEA are submitted before closure of the Self-Cert. Draft Findings should be submitted from the Findings dashboard.					
Send Notification o answer to entity	Yes	e number.				
Notification content o answer to entit	This Self-Certification review is completed and closed. Please refer to Align for additional information, including specifics on provided Related Issues.					
	Region Attachments					
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- Ha	Instructions When Review and Approval have been completed, this Self Certification can be completed by selecting the "Review Comp and clicking "Update" below.	eted" Action option				
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	None					
	No Action					
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## **Reopening a Self-Certification**

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Sometimes a Self-Cert should be reopened to allow the Registered Entity to revise their response or for the CEA to add additional notes.

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To reopen a completed Self-Cert:

Navigate to the In Review or **Completed** tab.

Click the **Unique ID** to open the Self-Cert.

3 Scroll to the Action Section.

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				Secure Evidence I	ocker Submit Evidence or A	Submit Evidence or Attachments related to this Self-Cert via ERO Secure Evidence Locker (SEL) with the following reference number:						
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4 Click the Action section to expand it.

5 Select **Reopen** from the dropdown.

6 Click Update.

By reopening the Self-Cert, it will be sent back to the Active tab, and the entity will be able to edit its response.

*Notice*: The entity will not receive an email notification that the Self-Certification has been reopened. The CEA will need to contact the entity prior to reopening.

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	Evidence				
Secure Evidence Locker	Submit Evidence or Attachments related to the	is Self-Cert via E	RO Secure Evidence Locker (SEL)	with the following reference n	umber:
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	Region Attachments				
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ructions	When Review and Approval have been comp clicking "Update" below.	leted, this Self Ce	ertification can be completed by sel	ecting the "Review Completed	" Action option and
Action	Reopen	Reopen			
		None			
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		No Action			
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#### IGN **Cancelling a Self-Certification** To cancel a Self-Certification Self-Certifications Align for Regions -/- ARE Self-Certs -/- RFIs -/- RFEs request that was previously -1- Schedu Processed Distributions Create Distribution Active $\times$ SELF-CERT REQUESTS ACTIVE IN REGISTERED ENTITY PROCESSING scheduled or sent to an entity: STANDARD(S) AND REGISTRATION CEA POC UNIQUE ID SHORT NAME PROGRESS DUE DA. REQUIREMENT(S) Navigate to the **Active** or 2 09/04/2021 1/12 COMPLETED Ŀ SC2021-000 NCR55555 - Test Entity Name Change in WECC PRC-005-1.1b R1. OVERDUE **Scheduled** tab. 04/01/2022 5/55 COMPLETED SC2022-000004 NCR55555 - Test Entity Name Change in WECC BAL-002-WECC-2a R1 Action (Optional - Click to Expand) Click the **Unique ID** to 2 open the Self-Cert. Instructions As CEA you can cancel this Self-Certification by clicking "Edit," then selecting "Cancel" from the action list below and clicking "Update." 3 Click the **Edit** button. Action No Action 4 **Click Action (Optional – Click to Expand)** and then select **Cancel** Close Edin. from the dropdown. Action (Optional - Click to Expand) 5 **Click** Update. As CEA you can cancel this Self-Certification by clicking "Edit," then selecting "Cancel" from the action list below and clicking "Update." Instructions Cancel Notice: The Self-Cert will now appear in the Completed Action No Action 4 Self-Certs section with a status of Cancelled, A Self-Cert -- None --Cancel request can only be canceled if it is in Active or Scheduled Status. To cancel a Self-Cert in Review, the No Action Close Update user must reopen it to send it back to Active Status and 5 then follow the steps to cancel.

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# **Self-Certification Templates (Create)**

Previous Self-Cert Distributions can be used to create templates for Self-Cert Distributions.

To create a template from a previous distribution:

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 From the Self-Certification module, navigate to the Processed Distributions tab.

> Click the **plus icon** next to the Self-Cert distribution you wish to use for creating a template.

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+	2021-000002	PRC-004-6 R1., CIP-002-5.1a R1.	01/01/2020 - 12/31/2020	06/23/2021	06/23/2021			
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+	DS2021-000005	CIP-002-5.1a R1., CIP-004-6 R5., CIP- 003-8 R4.	01/01/2020 - 12/31/2020	06/24/2021	06/24/2021			
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- 3 Type the Name, Compliance Year, and update any Dates. The short name will be visible to entities.
- 4 Update instructions for this distribution in the field labeled **Instructions to entity**.
  - *Notice:* Any text added to this field will be visible to the entity(ies) that are included in this distribution.
- 5 Click Update.

*Notice:* The draft Self-Cert template you just created will now appear under the **Create Distribution** tab (A).

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# **Self-Certification Templates (Favorite)**

#### To mark a particular Self-Cert distribution as a favorite:

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From the Self-Certifications (1) module, navigate to the **Processed Distributions** tab.

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- Click the **plus icon** next to the 2 Self-Cert distribution you wish to mark as a favorite for templates.
  - Populate **General** information per previous page of instructions.
- Select the **checkbox** next to Mark 4 as Favorite/Template.

#### Click Update. 5

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Regions can create specific custom questions to augment Self-Certification activities using the Self-Cert Administration module.

When region users are drafting potential custom questions for Self-Certs, please ensure the Align Training environment is used to test prior to creating in production. This ensures any configuration issues are identified and resolved before questions are used with an active Self-Cert distribution.

*Notice*: Additional instructions for custom questions will be added in future user guide revisions to detail nuances and lessons learned through CMEP activities.

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From here, you can create region-specific questions to augment those defined for the entire ERO. To begin, create a New Question Group and select the subject type (whether it applies to Requirements or Parts) and then the subjects (i.e., specific requirements/parts) to which it should apply. Then select "Update." Refresh the top table on the left to see the created question Group. Click on Assessment Type Missing and choose the following options: Negate do not use this field Assessment Attribute Assessmentdefinition.Assessmenttype Operation Value = Value Self-Certification <your region=""> Add Questions to the Question Group by clicking on the Add Question link. Clicking on a Question Group will filter the Questions below.</your>	GROUP NAME	APPLICABLE SUBJECTS	
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2 Click the New Question **Group** link.

The New Question 3 Template window will open for next steps.



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Click the **Ellipsis** (...) button.

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Click the **Update** button.



Click the **Refresh** button to pull in the new question group.

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Click the Assessment Type Missing link to complete the Group.



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To add questions to the group that you have created:

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- 25 Click the Add Question link.
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- Give the question a **Name** for your reference.
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- Type the question that you want the entity to answer into the **Question** field.



Add any instructions or clarifications into the Help Text field (not mandatory).

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29 Select the question **Type** from the Predefined Question Type section of the Type dropdown.

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NOTICE: The Document option in the Type dropdown will allow your entities to Attach documents within Align. This would only be used in rare cases as all artifacts should come through the ERO SEL.



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Depending on the Type that you select, you can adjust the parameters of the question in the **Type specific details** section (not mandatory).

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If you need to inactivate a question, from the Self-Cert Administration module:

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Select the Click here to edit link for the desired question.

2 Change the Is Hidden field to 'Yes'.

NOTICE: You cannot hide a question that is mandatory (A). This will throw an error (B). Ensure questions are not marked mandatory before hiding them.

3 Click the **Update** button.

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2021	Initial release of guide (Align Release 2)
December 2024	Retitled user guide to reflect Align module rather than Release 2 Corrected typos Updated steps and screenshots to match recent updates in SC module

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