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Request for Initiation of a NAESB Business Practice Standard, Model Business Practice or Electronic Transaction or Enhancement of an Existing NAESB Business Practice Standard, Model Business Practice or Electronic Transaction

Instructions:

- 1. Please fill out as much of the requested information as possible. It is mandatory to provide a contact name, phone number and fax number to which questions can be directed. If you have an electronic mailing address, please make that available as well.
- 2. Attach any information you believe is related to the request. The more complete your request is, the less time is required to review it.
- 3. Once completed, send your request to: Rae McQuade NAESB, Executive Director 1301 Fannin, Suite 2350 Houston, TX 77002

Phone: 713-356-0060 Fax: 713-356-0067

by either mail, fax, or to NAESB's email address, naesb@aol.com.

Once received, the request will be routed to the appropriate subcommittees for review.

Please note that submitters should provide the requests to the NAESB office in sufficient time so that the NAESB Triage Subcommittee may fully consider the request prior to taking action on it. It is preferable that the request be submitted a minimum of 3 business days prior to the Triage Subcommittee meetings. Those meeting schedules are posted on the NAESB web site at http://www.naesb.org/monthly_calendar.asp.

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Date of Request: December 29, 2003

- Submitting Entity & Address: Southern Company Services 600 North 18th Street Birmingham, AL 35291
- 2. Contact Person, Phone #, Fax #, Electronic Mailing Address:
 - Name :Mr. Joel DisonTitle :Manager of Market PolicyPhone :(205) 257-6481Fax :(205) 257-6824E-mail:jjdison@southernco.com
- 3. Description of Proposed Standard or Enhancement: We propose the WEQ's acceptance of the current OASIS Business Practice Standards and Communication Protocol Standards.
- 4. Use of Proposed Standard or Enhancement (include how the standard will be used, documentation on the description of the proposed standard, any existing documentation of the proposed standard, and required communication protocols):

The business practice standards are designed to implement the Commission's policy related to on-line price negotiation and to improve the commercial operation of the Open Access Same-Time Information System (OASIS). Complete documentation of the business practice standards and the related communication protocols is attached to this request:

• Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Business Practice Standards

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for Open Access Same-Time Information System (OASIS) Transactions, Version 1.2, issued October 25, 2000 (Attachment A).

- Standards and Communication Protocols for Open Access Same-Time Information System (OASIS), Version 1.4, July 26, 2000 (Attachment B).
- Data Dictionary, Standards and Communication Protocols for Open Access Same-Time Information System (OASIS), Version 1.4, July 26, 2000 (Attachment C)
- Revisions to Section 4.2.10.2 of the S&CP Document, 4.2.10.2, Status Values (Attachment D).
- Oasis Version 1.4 corrections, outlined in a letter dated January 30, 2001, from Paul R. Sorenson, OSC Chair, to David P. Borgers, Office of the Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Attachment E).
- FERC Order 605 (Attachment F).
- FERC Order 889 (Attachment G).
- FERC Order 889 Appendix A Data Element Dictionary (Attachment H).
- FERC Order 889 Appendix B Request (Query) Variables (Attachment I).
- 5. Description of Any Tangible or Intangible Benefits to the Use of the Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

The industry and the Commission have already ascertained and realized the benefits of these standards as they are already required by FERC regulation.

6. Estimate of Incremental Specific Costs to Implement Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

No additional costs for implementation are expected – this request to adopt standards is reflective of a final order that requires companies to implement such. As the order is final, the parties have already implemented these standards.

7. Description of Any Specific Legal or Other Considerations:

This is an existing standard already adopted by the FERC.

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8. If This Proposed Standard or Enhancement Is Not Tested Yet, List Trading Partners Willing to Test Standard or Enhancement (Corporations and contacts):

N/A

9. If This Proposed Standard or Enhancement Is In Use, Who are the Trading Partners :

The standard applies to transmission users' interactions with public utilities.

10. Attachments (such as : further detailed proposals, transaction data descriptions, information flows, implementation guides, business process descriptions, examples of ASC ANSI X12 mapped transactions):

The Standards are composed from the following attached documents:

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