



## NORTH AMERICAN ENERGY STANDARDS BOARD

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### NAESB AT A GLANCE: MONTHLY UPDATE

**GAS AND ELECTRIC COORDINATION TASK FORCE (GECTF) UPDATE:** Ruth Kiselewich, director of special projects and supplier services, Baltimore Gas & Electric, chair of the Retail Electric Quadrant (REQ) Executive Committee (EC), and co-chair of GECTF, summarized the April 28 conference call and May 18-19 meeting. First, GECTF has continued the education process among the two industries. On May 18, Philip Fedora of the Northeast Power Coordinating Council gave a presentation on the status of and proposed recommendations pertaining to NERC's Gas/Electric Interdependencies Task Force (GEITF). GECTF and GEITF may be addressing some of the same issues but on a different timeline – short term versus long term implications. Second, Ms. Kiselewich discussed the preparations of the final task force report from NAESB and lengthy list of discussion points. The final report will be voted on at the next GECTF meeting on June 28-29. It will then go out for a 30-day comment period before all four Executive Committees (EC) vote on the report. The final report will be submitted to FERC after Managing Committee review. Ms. Kiselewich anticipates that several requests for standards will be submitted to NAESB as a result of the final report.

**WEQ ADOPTION OF VERSION 0 STANDARDS AND COORDINATION WITH NERC:** Michael Desselle, director of public policy for AEP, and NAESB Chairman, reported that NERC is seeking to have their Version 0 reliability standards completed by Feb. 2005, and that NAESB is on a similar track to complete its complementary Version 0 business practice standards. NAESB's goal is to have recommended standards before the Executive Committee at their Nov. 30 meeting. The Business Practices Subcommittee (BPS) met on May 13 and prepared a draft request that mirrors the NERC request. As NERC meets to address version 0 reliability standards, BPS will hold a follow up meeting shortly thereafter. Both NERC and NAESB will submit their respective requests for standards to the Joint Interface Committee (JIC), which will schedule a conference call in late June followed by a face to face meeting in Salt Lake City, Utah on July 12 in conjunction with the NARUC Summer Meeting.

#### **UPDATE ON OPEN ACCESS SAME-TIME INFORMATION SYSTEM (OASIS) EFFORTS:**

- **OASIS IA.** Ms. McQuade, executive director of NAESB, reported several sets of recommended standards for OASIS IA are currently in various stages of development. First, standards related to FERC's generation interconnection order have been posted, and a 30-day comment period will soon begin. Second, modifications have been proposed related to redirect and resale of transmission services. The Electronic Scheduling Subcommittee (ESS) is currently looking at these recommendations. And third, ESS is also reviewing the recommendation that transmission providers be allowed to declare a submission for transportation invalid if they are receiving multiple and identical requests. Finally, NAESB may be looking at moving away from the 20-minute rule for e-tagging approval. However, no request for this recommendation has been submitted yet.
- **OASIS II.** Andy Rodriguez, representing PJM, and co-chair of the NAESB Electronic Scheduling Subcommittee (ESS), described the vision and mission of the OASIS II efforts, which are clearly longer term than OASIS IA. While OASIS IA is focused on transmission and ancillary services and customer-to-provider issues and suggesting changes to OASIS that reflects today's market place, OASIS II is focused on enhancing the existing functionality with seamless interfaces, electronic scheduling, one-stop-shopping features, as well as technology upgrades. OASIS II is currently drafting its scope and vision documents, and will finalize them at the next meeting on May 25. At the next ESS meeting, Mr. Rodriguez anticipates the creation of a joint ESS and Information Technology Subcommittee (ITS) task force on OASIS II. The task force's first meeting has been tentatively scheduled for July 27.

**RGQ/REQ TECHNICAL ELECTRONIC IMPLEMENTATION SUBCOMMITTEES (TEIS), AND WGQ ELECTRONIC DELIVERY MECHANISMS (EDM) SUBCOMMITTEE:** Leigh Spangler, president of Latitude Technologies, and co-chair the EDM Subcommittee, said the two retail TEIS groups and WGQ EDM subcommittee will soon finalize the first cross-quadrant commodity neutral standards. Rather than create their own secure internet electronic transfer (Internet ET) standards, TEIS adopted the EDM standards developed by WGQ. The end result will be a file format independent method, e.g., it will work with flat files, XML, EDI and other transfer options.

**RATIFICATION OF WGQ STANDARDS IMPLEMENTING FERC ORDER 2004:** Jim Buccigross, vice president of 8760, Inc. and NAESB Executive Committee chairman, applauded the WGQ for rapidly reviewing and modifying their existing standards to implement FERC Order 2004 (Affiliate Order). Although the FERC delayed implementation until Sept. 1, they were on track to have the modifications finalize by the original June 1 deadline. In all, the modifications are to 6 existing definitions and standards, some principles and definitions were deleted, a new principle was created, and one interpretation was modified. The modifications will be out for ratification by the membership soon.



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***NEXT CONFERENCE CALL:*** The next conference call is scheduled for **Wednesday, June 16, 2004**, at 2:00 pm Eastern. We hope you can join us. If there are particular topics you would like to see covered or would like to receive additional information, please contact the NAESB Office (713-356-0060, [naesb@naesb.org](mailto:naesb@naesb.org)).

**NAESB Monthly Update Conference Call, Participant List  
May 19, 2004 -- 2:00 PM Eastern**

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5	Robert Harding	Minnesota Public Utilities Commission
6	Carol MacLellan	Maine Public Utility Commission
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11	Mark Babula	ISO New England
12	Victor Bissonnette	Hydro-Quebec Transenergie
13	David Booty	Direct Energy
14	Ralph Bourquin	Baltimore Gas & Electric
15	Jim Buccigross	8760 Inc
16	Chris Burden	Williams Gas Pipeline
17	Yvette Camp	Southern Company
18	James Cargas	NAESB
19	Pete Connor	NiSource
20	Randy Corbin	The Ohio Consumers Counsel
21	Kelly Daly	Arizona Public Service Company
22	Dorman Davis	Mississippi Power Company
23	Jennifer Deegan	Washington Gas Light Company
24	Michael Desselle	American Electric Power
25	Andrew Dotterweich	Consumers Energy
26	Mary Edwards	Dominion Virginia Power
27	Gene Fava	Great Lakes Gas Transmission
28	Ollie Frazier	Duke Power
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30	Bill Hebenstreit	El Paso Merchant Energy
31	Carrie Hitt	Constellation NewEnergy
32	Tim Kelly	Connecticut Natural Gas
33	DeDe Kirby	NAESB
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35	Marv Landauer	Bonneville Power Administration
36	Greg Locke	North Carolina Power Agency
37	Lyn Maddox	Prospect Energy
38	Rae McQuade	NAESB
39	Randy Mills	ChevronTexaco
40	Carl Monroe	Southwest Power Pool
41	Michael Novak	National Fuel Gas Distribution
42	Gloria Ogenyi	Conectiv
43	Ed Overtree	Calpine
44	Lisa Robert	Defense Energy Support Center
45	Andrew Rodriguez	PJM
46	Richard Rudden	RJ Rudden & Assoc.
47	Alexander Sarafin	NiSource
48	Donna Scott	Transwestern Pipeline Company
49	Leigh Spangler	Latitude Technologies
50	Lori VanWest	Xcel Energy
51	Karl Wunderlich	US Bureau of Reclamation
52	Rich Zelenko	Dominion
53	John Zemanek	Entergy