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NAESB AT A GLANCE: MONTHLY UPDATE

ENERGY DAY UPDATE: Mr. Michael Desselle, Director Public Policy, AEP, and NAESB Chairman, and Ms. Rae McQuade, NAESB President, provided an update on the progress of the Energy Day Subcommittee. On February 14th, a NAESB delegation consisting of Mr. Desselle, Mr. Stepenovitch, Mr. Maassel, Ms. McQuade, and Mr. Cargas met with FERC Chairman Wood, Commissioner Brownell, Commissioner Kelliher, and FERC staff to provide the requested update on the Energy Day endeavor. The delegation reported that the Energy Day Subcommittee decided to concentrate on the request to develop standards for daily operational communications between pipelines and power plants (Request No. R04020) first, and that the report scheduled to be submitted to FERC on June 1 would include the communication standards. The standards drafted to date can be divided into three categories: communication standards for scheduled transactions, communication standards for unscheduled transactions, and communication standards for extreme weather conditions. The subcommittee is developing the language of several standards and definitions. The FERC Chairman, Commissioners, and staff were supportive of the direction of the Energy Day standards so far. At the next Energy Day meeting, the committee will continue to review the language of the standards and hear presentations on the informational postings on pipelines' electronic bulletin boards as well as information available on OASIS sites. The next Energy Day meeting is scheduled for March 21 and 22 and will be hosted by Dominion in Glen Allen, Virginia.

OASIS INDUSTRY CONFERENCE MARCH 29 AT FERC: Mr. Sorenson, Manager of Central Markets Strategy OATI, and Co-chair of the WEQ Electronic Scheduling Subcommittee and Joint OASIS II Implementation Task Force, reported that an industry conference to discuss the development of the OASIS 1A and OASIS 2 is scheduled on March 29 at FERC's offices in Washington, DC. The conference will provide a forum to increase awareness of ongoing projects to develop OASIS throughout the industry and to aid in the prioritization of the effort to develop OASIS 2. A diverse panel of industry stakeholders will each provide presentations on future industry requirements and OASIS. The panel will include representatives from all market segments including merchants, transmission providers, and RTOs. The conference is open to any party interested in shaping the priority and development of OASIS 2.

RETAIL AWARENESS COMMITTEE UPDATE: Mr. Cade Burks, chair of the Retail Awareness Committee and President of EC Power, reported that on February 4th the committee sent letters to twenty-four separate state utility commissions offering to provide an education on NAESB model business practices and requesting input from government agencies and retail participants on areas for further development. The committee set a goal to meet with representatives from at least six state commissions within the first six months of 2005. To date, members of the committee have met with and made presentations to commissioners from the District of Columbia, Texas, and Michigan. NAESB is working with other state commissions to coordinate meetings in the near future.

RESOURCES COMMITTEE UPDATE AND MEMBERSHIP STATUS: Mr. Scott Brown, Government and Environmental Affairs, Exelon Corporation, and acting chair of the Resources Committee, reported that the Resources Committee has developed helpful membership tools to send to potential members for review. The membership tools include testimonials, information on current activity within NAESB, and examples of where NAESB standards have been utilized throughout the industry. The committee has also instituted an exit interview process for organizations that do not renew their membership. The committee has conducted an outreach to the members of the former NERC Markets Committee who are not NAESB members and will conduct a similar campaign with members of the RTOs. The Resources Committee set a goal of adding thirty new members by spring 2005 and is responsible for adding thirteen net new members to date.

WEQ DRAFTING COLLABORATIVE – AMENDMENTS TO PROCEDURES: Mr. Lou Oberski, Director of Electric Market Policy, Dominion Resource Services, Inc., and WEQ Executive Committee chair, reviewed the results of the February 17th meeting of the WEQ Drafting Collaborative Task Force. The task force reviewed several proposals to amend the WEQ Procedures to facilitate membership by entities who may not meet the intended definition of the established segments or sub-segments. The group voted to create a new At Large sub-segment within each segment of the WEQ. The At Large sub-segment is intended for regional reliability organizations, regional transmission organizations, consultants, service companies, information services and software companies, law firms, and other such organizations that are not specifically encompassed in the other sub-segments for a given segment. After review by NAESB General Counsel to ensure that the proposed amendments are not inconsistent with NAESB's Certificate, the WEQ Board Members are currently now returning notational ballots to vote on the proposed amendments. If the proposal passes the Board vote, it will be



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forwarded to the WEQ membership for ratification. If the proposal is ratified, five new seats will be added to the WEQ Executive Committee and to the WEQ Board of Directors.

OTHER TOPICS: On future monthly update calls, NAESB will report on the OASIS Industry Conference, the Version 0 Business Practices Standards, and continue provide updates on the status of the gas quality standards and Natural Gas Council.

NEXT CONFERENCE CALL: The next conference call is scheduled for **Wednesday, April 20, 2005**, 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).

NAESB Monthly Update Conference Call, Participant List March 16, 2005 -- 2:00 PM Eastern

	Name		Organization
1	Philip	Bedingfield	Georgia Public Service Commission
2	William	Bokram	Michigan Public Service Commission
3	Dan	Downs	New York State Department of Public Service
4	Carter	Edge	SE Power Administration
5	Dave	Eichenlaub	Virginia State Corporation Commission
6	Wanda	Jones	Michigan Public Service Commission



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7	Ed	Anderson	Rudden Associates
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9	Victor	Bissonnette	Hydro-Quebec TransEnergie
10	Gordon	Brown	California ISO
11	Scott	Brown	Exelon
12	Kathryn	Burch	Duke Energy
13	Cade	Burks	EC Power
14	Jennifer	Chen	Sungard Energy Systems
15	Carrie	Cullenhitt	Constellation
16	Dale	Davis	Williams Gas Pipeline
17	George	Dawe	Duke Energy
18	Michael	Desselle	AEP
19	Mary	Edwards	Dominion Virginia Power
20	Gene	Fava	Great Lakes Gas
21	Ollie	Frazier	Duke Energy
22	Mark	Gracey	Tennessee Gas Pipeline
23	Bill	Griffith	El Paso Western Pipeline
24	Dona	Gussow	Florida Power and Light
25	Amy	Hamilton	PECO Energy
26	Jim	Hicks	PacifiCorp
27	Brenda	Horton	Kern River Gas Transmission Co.
28	Alan	Johnson	Mirant
29	Barb	Kedrowski	WE Energies
30	Laura	Kennedy	NAESB
31	Ruth	Kiselewich	Baltimore Gas and Electric
32	Tim	Kucey	National Energy Board
33	Melissa	Lauderdale	Edison Electric Institute
34	Bill	Lohrman	NERC
35	John	Lucas	Southern Company
36	Michelle	Manson	Conectiv
37	Ron	McGinley	IESO
38	Rae	McQuade	NAESB
39	Janie	Nielsen	Kern River Gas Transmission Co.
40	Michael	Novak	National Fuel
41	Lou	Oberski	Dominion
42	Marjorie	Perlman	Energy East
43	Sherri	Poimboeuf	Centerpoint Energy
44	Thomas	Ringenbach	American Electric Power
45	Laura	Schepis	American Public Gas Association
46	Rodger	Schwecke	Southern California Gas Company
47	Bruce	Sembrick	Tri State G&T
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51	Kim	Van Pelt	Panhandle Eastern Pipeline
52	Randy	Young	Gulf South Pipeline LP
