**TO:** NAESB Wholesale Electric Quadrant (WEQ) Business Practice Subcommittee (BPS) Participants, WEQ Cybersecurity Subcommittee Participants, Retail Markets Quadrant (RMQ) BPS Participants, and other Interested Industry Parties

**FROM:** Caroline Trum, Director of Wholesale Electric Activities

**RE:** Joint WEQ Business Practices Subcommittees (BPS), WEQ Cybersecurity Subcommittee and RMQ BPS Meeting Announcement and Agenda – January 15, 2025

**DATE:** December 16, 2024

Dear NAESB WEQ BPS, WEQ Cybersecurity Subcommittee, RMQ BPS Participants, and other Interested Parties,

The next joint meeting of the joint WEQ BPS, WEQ Cybersecurity Subcommittee and RMQ BPS regarding the development of cybersecurity-related business practice standards to help secure distributed energy resource (DER) related electronic commercial communications will be held on Wednesday, January 15, 2025 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM Central. During the meeting, participants will continue to discuss the Communication Exchange Use Case Considerations. The meeting agenda is included below and posted to the WEQ BPS, WEQ Cybersecurity Subcommittee, and RMQ BPS pages of the NAESB website.

The Communication Exchange Use Case Considerations identifies categories of information that may be electronically exchanged between a DER aggregator and distribution utility to conduct retail market transactions for distribution grid services. As part of the November 20, 2024 meeting, participants documented the electronic communication protocols that may be in use by parties and identified possible cybersecurity goals or priorities for the information exchanges. For the upcoming meeting, the joint subcommittee co-chairs have asked participants to provide feedback regarding relevant utility and DER aggregator business processes and requirements that could help determine specific cybersecurity protections and protocols for inclusion in any developed standards. For your convenience, the Communication Exchange Use Case Considerations, as revised during the previous meeting, can be accessed through the following hyperlink: <https://naesb.org/pdf4/weq_bps_css_rmq_bps112024a1.docx>.

As with all NAESB meetings, this meeting is open to any interested party regardless of membership status within NAESB. Consistent with the NAESB non-member meeting participation [policy](http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/naesb_web_site_faq.pdf), non-members must register through the following hyperlink and pay the non-member meeting participation fee: <https://naesb.org/committee_activities.asp>.

All participants are encouraged to read the NAESB Antitrust and Other Meetings Policies prior to the meeting: <http://www.naesb.org/misc/antitrust_guidance.doc>.

Best Regards,

Caroline Trum

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**WEQ BPS, WEQ Cybersecurity Subcommittee and RMQ BPS**

**Joint Conference Call with Webcasting**

**Wednesday, January 15, 2025 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM Central**

**DRAFT AGENDA**

1. Welcome and Administrative Item

* [Antitrust and Other Meeting Policies](http://www.naesb.org/misc/antitrust_guidance.doc)
* Introduction of Attendees
* Adoption of Agenda
* Adoption of Available Draft Minutes
  + November 20, 2024

1. Continue to Discuss Joint RMQ/WEQ Annual Plan Assignment – Review cybersecurity protections, such as Public Key Infrastructure (PKI), that may be necessary to secure electronic communications for distributed energy resources (DERs), and develop business practices as needed

* Review and Discuss Communication Exchange Use Case Considerations, Including Submitted Work Papers

1. Identify Next Steps and Action Items
2. Discuss Future Meetings
3. Adjourn