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NAESB MONTHLY UPDATE CONFERENCE CALL

RETAIL NET METERING STANDARDS DEVELOPMENT EFFORT: Mr. Jones, Co-Chair of the Retail Energy Quadrant (RXQ) Business Practices Subcommittee (BPS), delivered the update. The RXQ BPS is currently developing Model Business Practices addressing retail net metering. The scope of the standards development effort is limited to metering data in competitive markets where net metering is available. The subcommittee is currently revising Book 3 – Billing and Payments and Book 8 – Retail Customer Information under RXQ 2014 Annual Plan Item 7.b and expects the recommendations to be voted out during the third quarter of 2014. Those recommendations will be closely followed by revisions to Book 10 – Customer Enrollment, Drop and Account Information Change and Book 11 – Customer Enrollment, Drop and Account Information Change Using a Registration Agent with projected completion dates during the fourth quarter of 2014. The next conference call will take place on July 23, 2014. Mr. Booe thanked Mr. Jones and Mr. Precht for their leadership as co-chairs of the RXQ BPS.

GAS-ELECTRIC HARMONIZATION FORUM ACTIVITIES: Ms. Crockett, Chair of the Gas-Electric Harmonization (GEH) Forum, delivered the update. The NAESB GEH Forum provided a platform whereby the industries could consider consensus-based alternatives that vary from the March 20, 2014 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking.¹ The GEH Forum held two conference calls on March 27, 2014 and April 1, 2014, followed by one review session also held on April 1, 2014. Next, the GEH Forum hosted four face-to-face meetings in downtown Houston on April 22-23, 2014, May 5-6, 2014, May 22-23, 2014, and June 2-3, 2014. Although consensus on an alternative package incorporating all aspects of the proposals included in the NOPR was not reached, the process resulted in commonalities that allowed the Board to move the process forward. On June 4, 2014, the Board held a single-topic meeting to modify the Wholesale Gas Quadrant (WGQ) Annual Plan to include 2014 WGQ Annual Plan 11.c, an item calling for the WGQ to develop new standards and modify existing standards to support the enhanced timeline, while remaining neutral on gas day start times. Mr. Booe noted that the attendance at the GEH Forum meetings averaged about three hundred industry participants with over 700 people following the distribution list. He thanked Ms. Crockett for the significant leadership that she demonstrated while chairing the GEH Forum.

GAS-ELECTRIC HARMONIZATION STANDARDS DEVELOPMENT: Ms. Van Pelt, Chair of the WGQ Business Practices Subcommittee (BPS) delivered the update for the GEH standards development. The WGQ BPS set to work on June 5, 2014, reviewing the entire body of the NAESB WGQ Business Practice Standards. The discussions continued through the June 12, 2014 and June 26, 2014 meetings and will conclude with a vote on a recommendation for 2014 WGQ Annual Plan Item 11.c during the upcoming July 1-2, 2014 face-to-face meeting hosted by the NAESB office in Houston, Texas. All participants planning to attend should RSVP to the NAESB office. With the aide of the WGQ Contracts and WGQ EDM Subcommittee chairs, the WGQ BPS reviewed each principle, standard, definition, and contract in order to create a matrix documenting whether the NOPR would affect each standard. Those standards affected were subsequently categorized into Gas Day, Timeline, ESPQ, Contracts, and other categories. The subcommittee then began addressing modifications for the standards in each category. As part of the full staffing process, the joint Information Requirements and Technical Subcommittees will review the WGQ BPS modifications and draft corresponding technical implementations. Mr. Booe thanked Ms. Van Pelt for her leadership of the WGQ BPS Subcommittee and the substantial amount of work the group has addressed within the short time frame given. Mr. Wood asked whether any standards were modified outside the WGQ. Ms. Van Pelt replied that 2014 WGQ Annual Plan Item 11.c only modified the NAESB WGQ Business Practice Standards.

PARALLEL FLOW VISUALIZATION PROJECT: Mr. Saini delivered the update on the Parallel Flow Visualization (PFV) project. Following a first round of informal comments on the PFV draft recommendation, the Wholesale Electric Quadrant (WEQ) Business Practices Subcommittee (BPS) substantially revised the recommendation, leading to a second round of informal comments. The subcommittee is currently working on

¹ Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, *Coordination of the Scheduling Process of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines and Public Utilities*, 146 FERC ¶ 61,201 (March 20, 2014) is available in Docket No. RP14-2-000 and at the following hyperlink: http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/ferc032014_nopr_coord_scheduling_process_interstate_ngps_public_utilities.pdf.



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addressing the second round of informal comments and is expected to vote out the recommendation in the third quarter of 2014. Continuous coordination has been maintained with NERC and the IDC Association throughout the process. The WEQ BPS will recommend full staffing and a parallel test for the standards. After approval by the WEQ Executive Committee is attained, there will be a 12-18 month test period. Changes to the IDC tool that will be required to conduct the parallel test will be made by IDC Association. The NERC Operating Reliability Subcommittee (ORS) will also oversee the impact on reliability and monitor the test. NERC is also working on modification of IRO standards through their 5 year review process that will be necessary for the PFV project. It will take 12-18 months for the IDC Association to develop requirements, make changes, and test these changes to support the PFV business practice standards before the parallel test can begin. Mr. Booe stated that the NAESB staff has been working on a status report to be submitted to the FERC detailing the multiyear project.

NAESB/NERC/IDC COORDINATION: Ms. York, Chair of the WEQ Executive Committee, delivered the update on coordination with external organizations. NAESB continues to hold monthly conference calls to discuss the Electric Industry Registry (EIR), the NERC MOD A Standards, PFV, and any additional coordination issues identified by NERC project managers or the NAESB WEQ subcommittee co-chairs. The WEQ SRS held a conference call on July 17, 2014 to review the 2015-2017 NERC Reliability Standards Development Plan and ensure coordination with the 2014 WEQ Annual Plan. NAESB is also working with NERC and the IDC Association on the PFV project. Leadership within all three organizations have held several conference calls to discuss the coordination efforts for the upcoming PFV field test. The IDC Association, the organization which owns and manages the IDC tool, will be responsible for conducting the field test. NAESB will be responsible for evaluating the commercial impacts of the field test, and the NERC ORS will oversee the reliability impacts.

UPDATE ON WEQ EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MOD STANDARD SCOPING TASK FORCE: Ms. York, Chair of the WEQ Executive Committee, delivered the update on the WEQ Executive Committee MOD Standard Scoping Task Force. The task force held its kickoff meeting on April 10, 2014 and a follow up meeting on April 24, 2014 during which a work paper and solicitation for industry comments document was developed. During the June 5, 2014 conference call, comments from several entities were reviewed and the participants began stepping through over 200 requirements and subrequirements that comprise the MOD Spreadsheet. Mr. Booe stated that on June 19, 2014, FERC issued a NOPR,² requesting industry comments on the NERC proposal to consolidate the Modeling requirements and the filing of the MOD standards. The NOPR also asked whether the proposal provides adequate time for NAESB to develop the related standards and what specific actions NERC could take to create synchronization. Mr. Booe stated that NAESB encourages all members to submit comments.

WEQ OASIS STANDARDS UPDATE: Mr. Pritchard, Co-Chair of the WEQ OASIS Subcommittee, delivered the update. For the past two years the WEQ OASIS Subcommittee has been working on a recommendation for preemption and competition on OASIS. The subcommittee is now addressing two major issues, competition for rollover rights and resales and redirects. These issues are expected to be resolved by the August and September meetings. The subcommittee has projected that an informal comment period could begin as early as October, with the draft recommendation finalized in November or December. The substantial support from the industry on the subject has yielded a large number of participants in both the monthly face-to-face meetings and the conference calls. Mr. Booe commented on the significant amount of work that the preemption and competition standards have generated and thanked Mr. Pritchard for the update and his leadership on the subcommittee.

DATA PRIVACY CERTIFICATION PROGRAM: Ms. Wright, Chair of the Data Privacy Task Force, delivered the update on the Data Privacy Certification. She stated that the comment period for the specification for Data Privacy Governing Third Party Access ends on July 28, 2014. The RXQ Data Privacy Task Force developed the specification in response to 2014 Retail Annual Plan Item 6.b – Consider the development of a specification to support a certification program for the REQ.22 Data Privacy Standards. This specification provides the technical and management details which an entity seeking certification through the NAESB Third Party Data Privacy Practices Certification Program is required to meet as part of becoming accredited. The document is intended to

²Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, *Modeling, Data, Analysis Reliability Standards*, 147 FERC P 61, 208 (June 19, 2014) is available in Docket No. RM14-7-000 and at the following link: <http://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/comm-meet/2014/061914/E-17.pdf>.



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support the process for accreditation as defined by the NAESB Board Certification Program Committee. Mr. Booe thanked Ms. Wright and stated that the Board Certification Committee will meet on June 26, 2014 to review the specification.

REGULATORY UPDATES: Mr. Booe provided the regulatory update. NAESB submitted a GEH Report to FERC on June 18, 2014³ and is preparing to develop a response to the March 20, 2014 NOPR. The Revenue Committee will be meeting on July 23, 2014 to review budget and revenue issues. Additionally, the Parliamentary Committee will meet on July 23, 2014 to consider modifying the NAESB Bylaws and the Board Strategic Plan Task Force has scheduled an upcoming meeting to discuss the results of the recent survey, which may result in a report to the Board.

NEXT CONFERENCE CALL: The next Monthly Update conference call is scheduled for August 28, 2014 from 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Central. The agenda and any work papers will be posted on the Monthly Update page of the NAESB website, accessible at the following link: http://www.naesb.org/monthly_update.asp. We hope you can join us. If there are particular topics you would like to see covered or if you would like to receive additional information, please contact the NAESB Office by phone at (713) 356-0060 or email at naesb@naesb.org.

³ NAESB Report to FERC, *Re: Coordination of the Scheduling Processes of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines and Public Utilities (Docket No. RM14-2-000)* (June 18, 2014), in Docket No. RM14-2-000 is available at: http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/ferc061814_naesb_geh_report_nopr032014.pdf.



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