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NAESB AT A GLANCE: MONTHLY UPDATE

UPDATE ON PARALLEL FLOW VISUALIZATION: Mr. Saini, co-chair of the WEQ Business Practice subcommittee, provided a review of the NAESB progress on Parallel Flow Visualization. The business practice subcommittee hit a milestone over the last quarter with its work to develop a long-term solution for the Parallel Flow Visualization project. The subcommittee voted to focus on the development of a hybrid method that includes generator prioritization. This decision came after record voting on a subcommittee call, which demonstrates that this work is one of the most important items that the WEQ is working on at this time. The purpose of these standards is to help alleviate curtailment issues by improving the data that is sent to the NERC Interchange Distribution Calculator. With monthly meeting scheduled for the remainder of the year, the subcommittee will focus its work on the development of its recommendation by end of the fourth quarter.

UPDATE ON DSM-EE EFFORTS: Ms. Cummings, NAESB counsel, provided the update on the ongoing Demand Side Management and Energy Efficiency efforts.

Retail Demand Response: With the completion of the Phase 2 Demand Response Model Business Practices, the Retail DR work group has focused its efforts on R10002, which is a request to develop Model Business Practices for Enrollment in Demand Response programs. Wendell Miyaji, of Comverge, supplied the work group with a presentation of Comverge's enrollment process. James Tillett, the original requestor, agreed that Comverge's enrollment process was a good starting point for the work group's efforts. In response to that direction, Phil Precht created process flows to map out the enrollment process to be used in the model business practices. The process flows were revised during the last retail DR work group conference call on June 8. The next Retail DR conference call is scheduled for Wednesday, July 13 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm Central.

Retail Energy Efficiency: The Retail Energy Efficiency work group continues to work on its recommendation. During the May Retail EC meeting, the co-chairs of the work group expressed concern regarding the scope of the recommendation. As the work group was drafting the recommendation there was concern voiced that the scope was too broad, while others thought the scope was not broad enough. There was also concern raised that NAESB's efforts were overlapping the SEE Action effort led by the Department of Energy. A conference call was held between the DOE, NARUC and NAESB to address this concern. During that meeting, it became apparent that there was not redundancy in the two efforts. As a result, several participants volunteered to take the recommendation in its current form and complete a full set of model business practices. The model business practices will be complete in mid-July and a Retail Energy Efficiency work group meeting has been scheduled for July 18 to review the work product at the work group level. A full DSM-EE subcommittee conference call has been scheduled for August 2 from 9 to 11 am to address any concerns and offer guidance to the Retail EE work group as they complete their work efforts. DOE will be included in the review of the NAESB Retail EE model business practices, to ensure that the efforts are complementary, but not duplicative.

UPDATE ON SMART GRID ACTIVITIES: Mr. Booe, NAESB counsel, provided an update on the ongoing Smart Grid activities.

<u>Energy Service Providers Interface Task Force</u>: The Energy Services Provider Interface Task Force has continued to meet weekly over the last quarter to develop a <u>recommendation</u> in response to REQ AP Item 9.e (the standardization of the Open ADE specification, which is a specification that describes communications between utilities, customers and third party service providers). This standard is considered an extension of the PAP 10 Energy Usage Information Model and is being monitored by leadership within the Smart Grid Interoperability Panel. The task force distributed a draft recommendation for an informal comment period that ended on June 13 and is currently in the process of reviewing the



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submitted comments and providing resolutions. The task force is working under an expedited schedule to meet its second quarter deadline and plans to vote the recommendation out during the first week of July.

<u>Data Privacy</u>: The REQ Data Privacy Task Force, which is the task force responsible for addressing request R10012 to develop model business practices that will set forth standards for the release of consumer information to third parties and the privacy policies and practices those third parties should employ, has completed its efforts. The task force unanimously voted out a <u>recommendation</u> on May 19 for a formal comment period which ended on June 20. The task force has scheduled a meeting for Monday, June 27 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm Central to review the formal comments submitted (6 sets) and provide a set of late comments that will be reviewed by the REQ EC during a single topic review session on June 30 and voted on during a July 7 conference call. This effort was completed by the task force on a truncated timeline (only 4 months) at the requests of NARUC and state commission staff members who participated heavily. If approved the recommendation will become a final action in early August.

UPDATE ON WEQ OASIS EFFORTS/SERVICE ACROSS MULTIPLE TRANSMISSION SYSTEMS (SAMTS): Mr. Wood, co-chair of the OASIS subcommittee, provided the update. During the last quarter, the subcommittee chairs met with the Executive Committee leadership and agreed to focus efforts on the completion of the SAMTS standards. Once those standards are completed, the subcommittee will focus on the NITS standards, which will be voluminous. With that direction, the subcommittee completed the <u>SAMTS standards</u>, which will be voted on tomorrow, June 30. Thirteen sets of <u>formal comments</u> were received for SAMTS. The subcommittee reviewed those comments and provided late comments, all of which will be reviewed tomorrow during the EC meeting. The completion date for the <u>NITS standards</u> has been extended to the third quarter of 2011 to allow for the SAMTS work to be completed.

UPDATE ON COMMON CODES: Mr. Buccigross provided the update. The WGQ business practice subcommittee has continued to meet to discuss <u>common codes</u>. A survey was completed in which industry feedback noted that common codes were not considered necessary and could be replaced with proprietary codes. A meeting between FERC staff and the WGQ BPS has been scheduled for July 7 to discuss the changes currently being considered by the subcommittee. FERC feedback is vital to these changes, as common codes are referenced several times throughout FERC regulations.

UPDATE ON ELECTRIC INDUSTRY REGISTRY: Ms. Cummings, NAESB Counsel, provided the update. NAESB and OATI continue to work closely to transfer the TSIN registry from NERC to NAESB. OATI has completed the functional specifications, which was approved by both NERC and NAESB, and work has begun on the development of the new webRegistry. A meeting will be scheduled shortly to present the webRegistry timeline to the industry.

UPDATE ON BOARD CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE: Mr. Hurley provided the update. He submitted a standards development request to update the PKI standards. The NAESB office is currently reviewing this request and it will be triaged shortly. He noted several cyber-attacks, which present the biggest threat to the Department of Defense and intelligence community. He noted several prominent companies that have been the victims of such attacks, including Sega, Citibank, Bank of America, and others. These attacks raise questions about how information is being protected and the need for more laws on data privacy. He stated that the idea of private standards setting is resonating with Congress. Under the Grid Act, FERC could issue final Orders without a notice of proposed rulemaking (NOPR), which will impact the ability of the industry to voice concerns

NEXT CONFERENCE CALL: The next Monthly Update Call is scheduled for August 31, 2011 from 1-2 PM Central. The agenda and any work papers will be posted on the Monthly Update page of the NAESB website: 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 would like to receive additional information, please contact the NAESB Office (713)356-0060, naesb@naesb.org.



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