

## North American Energy Standards Board

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## NAESB AT A GLANCE: MONTHLY UPDATE

### UPDATE ON NETWORK INTEGRATION TRANSMISSION SERVICE (NITS):

Mr. Wood of Southern Company provided a review of the NAESB progress on NITS. A recommendation on NITS has been drafted and sent out for an informal comment period. Those comments are currently being reviewed by the subcommittee and the recommendation is being edited as necessary. Currently, the OASIS system is enmeshed with firm point-to-point transmission service, however, there is not a standardized system for network integration transmission service. As directed by the Commission in FERC Order Nos. 890, 890-A and 890-B, the OASIS subcommittee is developing NAESB business practice standards to include OASIS functionality related to network integration transmission service. The OASIS progress report shows the work that the subcommittee has accomplished.

#### **UPDATE ON DSM-EE EFFORTS:**

<u>Wholesale Demand Response:</u> Ms. McQuade provided the update. The wholesale standards have been filed with the commission and a comment period on the NOPR ended on October 22. The vast majority of the comments submitted are favorable to the standards. There is a difference of opinion on whether the phase II efforts should be more proscriptive or whether the standards as written, with minor adjustments, would be sufficient. As a result, on October 27 the WEQ EC created an EC task force to provide guidance to the wholesale demand response work group. This task force has met three times and has reviewed the standards, the IRC matrix, the FERC NOPR, the comments submitted on the NOPR, the EC deliberations and the transcripts from the EC and will have a recommendation prepared for the subcommittee on November 16. The work of the task force will go to the EC for review and any changes will be reflected in the 2010 annual plan.

<u>Retail Demand Response</u>: Mr. Precht of Baltimore Gas and Electric provided the update. The DSM-EE subcommittee voted on the retail demand response recommendation and formal comments were received from 7 parties. On September 25 the Retail Electric Executive Committee held a review session to provide an opportunity for all interested parties to ask questions and gain additional information on the recommendation and the comments. On October 2 the Retail Electric EC held a conference call and made non-substantive changes to the recommendation. Comments submitted by the Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers were referred to the smart grid task force as they pertained to smart grid activities. Several comments submitted by Summit Blue were rejected for being general in nature and one comment submitted by Summit Blue requesting the standards be limited to dispatchable demand resources was rejected. This issue was discussed at length by the subcommittee and the EC agreed to not limit the standards in such a way. The remainder of the comments were referred back to the retail demand response work group for further discussion in order to allow the subject matter experts to fully discuss them. These comments are the basis for the retail phase II efforts. The recommendation was voted out of the EC via notational ballot and is currently out for ratification, which is due on November 16.

<u>Energy Efficiency</u>: Mr. Precht provided the review. Energy efficiency was discussed at length at the DSM-EE subcommittee meeting held in Baltimore, Maryland on November 2. The energy efficiency efforts, in both wholesale and retail, were initiated at that meeting. Volunteers were sought for leadership roles in the energy efficiency work groups and a number of people did accept the request to be a co-chair. The NAESB office will be working with the co-chairs to schedule the kick-off meetings for both the wholesale and retail energy efficiency work groups. The plan is to first address wholesale, followed by the retail effort, so that consistency is maintained between the two groups. Currently there are only two known energy efficiency programs in the wholesale arena, PJM and ISO New England. Ms. Westerfield noted a FERC technical conference on their national action plan for demand response is scheduled for Thursday, November 19. She encouraged NAESB to interface with FERC on these efforts. She also encouraged retail participants to present their work at the February NARUC meeting in Washington, DC.



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## UPDATE ON SMART GRID ACTIVITIES:

Mr. Burke from ISO New England provided the update. The smart grid task force has been assigned three distinct areas, PAP 3, common price communication model use cases; PAP 4, common scheduling mechanism; and PAP 9, demand response and distributed energy signal semantics. The task force is expecting to release three documents related to PAP 9, an overview, a document on retail cases and a document on wholesale cases, for informal comment tomorrow, November 13. Informal comments will be due at the end of the month, the documents will be voted on in January, sent out for formal comment in mid-January and voted on by the WEQ EC in February. Documents related to PAP 3 and 4 may also be released for informal comment tomorrow. All of these document will be released in advance of the Denver Smart Grid Interoperability meeting scheduled for next week. Mr. Booe noted that the task force has discussed the creation of a common glossary that will span wholesale and retail for all three PAPs in an effort to facilitate those groups that may use this information in the future.

#### UPDATE ON NAESB 2010 ANNUAL PLANS DEVELOPMENT:

Ms. McQuade provided an overview of the <u>Retail Quadrants 2010 Annual Plan</u>, the <u>Wholesale Gas</u> <u>Quadrant 2010 Annual Plan</u> and the <u>Wholesale Electric Quadrant 2010 Annual Plan</u>. The annual plans are currently in draft form and the executive committees will vote on them shortly, after which they will be presented to the board for approval on December 10.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**:

Ms. McQuade noted three meeting of importance. The 121<sup>st</sup> Annual NARUC Convention will be held November 15-18 in Chicago, Illinois. Climate policy, universal service reform and protecting utility infrastructure from cyber attack are some of the items that will be discussed. Smart Grid Interop Week is being held on November 17-19 in Denver, Colorado. The FERC is holding a technical conference to support the development of the National Action Plan on Demand Response in Washington, DC.

The 2010 NAESB Monthly Update Call schedule will be released shortly.



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