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

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

**RE:** Joint WEQ/RMQ BPS Conference Call Draft Minutes – September 12, 2025

**DATE:** September 15, 2025

**NORTH AMERICAN ENERGY STANDARDS BOARD**

**Joint WEQ/RMQ BPS Meeting**

**Conference Call with Webcasting**

**August 8, 2025 from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM Central**

**DRAFT MINUTES**

1. **Welcome**

Mr. Phillips welcomed the participants to the meeting. Ms. Trum provided the Antitrust and Other Meeting Policies reminder. Mr. Phillips reviewed the agenda. Ms. Berdahl moved, seconded by Mr. Coffin, to adopt the agenda as final. The motion passed a simple majority vote without opposition.

Mr. Phillips reviewed the draft minutes from the August 8, 2025 meeting with the participants. No changes were offered. Mr. Coffin moved, seconded by Ms. McKeever, to adopt the draft minutes as final. The motion passed a simple majority vote without opposition. The final minutes for the meeting are available through the following hyperlink: <https://naesb.org/pdf4/weq_rmq_bps080825fm.docx>.

1. **Continue to Address WEQ Annual Plan Item 5.a / 2025 RMQ Annual Plan Item 2.b – Consider and develop business practices to support the integration of DER/DER aggregation registries by the industry**

Mr. Phillips stated that at the last meeting, the participants had started to identify possible functionalities and capabilities of a DER registry that could assist industry in carrying out operational and market processes, based on past discussion, work papers, and presentations. He proposed that participants create a work paper to further expand upon these ideas, explaining that this could be used to determine which areas would be most beneficial to address as part of standards development. Mr. Ipakchi stated that use cases could be guides for standards development, explaining that registry functionality, data categories, and attributes will largely be driven by the purposes and intended uses of the tool. He suggested that this be the next step for the subcommittees.

The participants discussed the creation of a work paper to identify possible considerations for building use cases. Mr. Danai noted that a major point of consideration will be if the registry is intended to house static data or be a dynamic tool that incorporates the use of real-time information. He explained that this will be dependent on how the industry will use the tool. Mr. Chamberlain stated that entities access to a wide range of DER and aggregation data to carryout performance validation and settlement activities as well as operational control functions and noted that Entergy currently uses spreadsheets to maintain and track the required DER and aggregation data. He explained that these manual processes may become more burdensome as additional resources come online and suggested that an interface to flow data between the registry and the systems in place to carry out these tasks could assist in data management. Ms. McKeever agreed. She suggested participants work to further refine the types of data that utilities need access to.

Mr. Danai stated that both performance validation and operational control activities require consistent access to datasets from a trusted source. He noted that a registry could serve as such a tool. Mr. Ipakchi stated that a registry could also house DER and aggregation data needed for distribution and transmission system planning as well as FERC Order No. 2222 participation information. Ms. Sieg noted that a registry could also be a tool to help prevent double counting and track DER and aggregation registrations in various programs to avoid duplication. Mr. Chamberlain stated that the registry could also serve as a source of cybersecurity related information that entities will need to protect their systems.

Mr. Ipakchi stated that other considerations for the use case are internal and external access rights to the data and dataset mechanics. He explained that while there will likely be common DER and aggregation attributes that are always applicable, the categories of information needed for utility planning versus regulatory compliance would differ. Mr. Chamberlain suggested that the consideration of a registry that included baseline DER and aggregation asset information that users could then build on with further data to meet other intended purposes. He explained that tool could include filters to display the necessary information by the user’s need.

The DER Registry Use Case Considerations Work Paper created during the meeting is available at the following hyperlink: <https://naesb.org/pdf4/weq_rmq_bps091225a1.docx>.

1. **Identify Next Steps and Discuss Future Meetings**

Mr. Phillips asked participants to circulate the work paper within their companies and bring feedback to the next meeting that the subcommittees can use to expand on the proposed registry purposes, detail the associated data needs, and refine the use cases. He requested participants submit comments that can further discussion in these areas or proposals that can be used as the basis for use case development, noting that work papers from those who provided comments during the meeting would be especially helpful.

1. **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM Central on a motion made by Ms. McKeever, seconded by Mr. Coffin.

1. **Attendance**

| **First Name** | **Last Name** | **Organization** |
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| Rebecca | Berdahl | BPA |
| Tom | Chamberlain | Entergy |
| Donald | Coffin | Green Button Alliance |
| Behnam | Danai | OATI |
| Bret | Giles | Southern Company |
| Shawn | Grant | CAISO |
| Ali | Ipakchi | OATI |
| William | Kluza | PacifiCorp |
| Brian | Lowe | PacifiCorp |
| Deborah | McKeever | Oncor |
| Amrit | Nagi | NAESB |
| Chris | Norton | American Municipal Power |
| Joshua | Phillips | SPP |
| Farrokh | Rahimi | OATI |
| Kyle | Ramey | PacifiCorp |
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