Via email and posting

November 15, 2019

**TO:** NAESB Board of Directors, Executive Committee (EC) Members, EC Alternates, NAESB Members, NAESB Advisory Council, and Invited Guests

**FROM:** Rae McQuade, NAESB President

**RE:** Announcement of Board Meeting – December 11, 2019

Dear Board Members, EC Members, EC Alternates, NAESB Members, NAESB Advisory Council and invited guests,

As noted in other communications, we are pleased to announce that the NAESB Board of Directors meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 11th at the Downtown Hilton Americas[[1]](#footnote-1) in Houston, TX. ***Please note that we have changed the dates of our meetings and that they will be held at a different hotel than the September 2019 meetings.***  We hope that you are able to travel to Houston, and we look forward to your participation in the upcoming board meeting, related committee meeting and our board cocktail reception.

The specifics of the board meeting and related meetings are:

Events: Board of Directors Meeting, and related NAESB meetings

Where: **Downtown Hilton Americas**, 1600 Lamar Street, Houston, TX 77010, phone: 713-739-8000

When: **Tuesday, December 10** Leadership Meeting from 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm C (snacks served)

**Tuesday, December 10** Board Cocktail Reception - 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm C (also held at the Downtown Hilton Americas)

**Wednesday, December 11** Board of Directors Meeting from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm C, (a buffet lunch will be served during the meeting)

This board meeting serves as the last scheduled board meeting of 2019, and in addition to reviewing the status of the 2019 financial status and progress made on the 2019 annual plans, the Board of Directors will receive updates from our committees and consider the approval of our 2020 budget and 2020 annual plans. We are also very fortunate that Jay Costan and Branko Terzic have agreed to participate in our board meeting and will discuss their outlooks on the future of the energy markets, the introduction of innovations, regulatory risk, and challenges the industry may encounter as the result of ever-increasing environmental concerns. Their observations will serve the organization well as we look to wrap up 2019 and continue with our mission of developing and promoting market standards in 2020.

We hope that you are able to attend and we ask that you please RSVP your intention to participate in the Board of Directors meeting, the leadership meeting, and/or cocktail reception at your earliest convenience ([naesb@naesb.org](mailto:naesb@naesb.org), 713-356-0060). Also, please let us know if you intend to bring a guest or colleague to the cocktail reception.

As are all NAESB meetings, these events are open to any interested party. For the meetings, conference calling will be available should you be unable to attend in person. Board materials and agendas should be available shortly. Please contact Veronica Thomason ([vthomason@naesb.org](mailto:vthomason@naesb.org), 713-356-0060) should you need additional information.

Best Regards,

**Conference Calling and Web Conferencing Details**

**for the December 10-11, 2019 Board and Related Meetings**

The meetings are open to all interested parties, who may participate by phone if unable to attend in person. The Board meeting is also web cast.

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| Dec 10 | 4:00 pm to 5:30 pm C | Leadership Meeting (In person and Conference Call) | |
|  | Downtown Hilton Americas,  1600 Lamar Street, Houston, Texas |  |  |
| Dec 11 | 9:00 am to 1:00 pm C | Board Meeting (In person and Conference Call/Web Cast) | |
|  | Downtown Hilton Americas,  1600 Lamar Street, Houston, Texas |  |  |

**Speaker Biographies**

**Jay Costan**

Jay Costan is a partner in Dentons' Global Energy practice.  He has over 40 years’ experience representing clients on a wide range of public utility and energy matters, including energy transactions and federal and state regulation of the sale and transmission of electricity, natural gas and LNG and the licensing of energy projects.  He has extensive experience in handling matters before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, the US Department of the Interior, the US Department of Energy and the United States Courts of Appeals. He also has experience in assisting clients in the development of natural gas and power projects outside the U.S.

Recent publications include:

* "FERC Not Obliged to Vet Pipeline Downstream Climate Impact," Energy Law 360, July 2019
* "Must FERC Weigh GHG Emissions in Pipeline Reviews?", Energy Law 360, April 2018
* "FERC's Pipeline Review Process Is Working as Intended," Energy Law 360, February 2017

**The Honorable Branko Terzic**

Branko Terzic is a Managing Director at Berkeley Research Group (BRG) LLC. A management consultant, this former regulator and corporate CEO provides management advice on regulatory and corporate strategy and has been an expert witness before state and federal regulatory agencies. He also currently serves as a Distinguished Fellow at the Council on Competitiveness and a Nonresident Senior Fellow of the Atlantic Council’s Global Energy Center in Washington, DC. Government positions held include that of Commissioner on the U.S. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Commissioner on the State of Wisconsin Public Service Commission and Chairman of the State of Wisconsin Racing Board.  In business, prior to joining BRG, Terzic served as Executive Director of the Deloitte Center for Energy Solutions; Chairman, President and CEO of Yankee Energy System, Inc.: Managing Director Arthur Andersen Economic Consulting and as a management consultant. He served on the National Petroleum Council and National Coal Council and is a former Chairman of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UN ECE) Ad Hoc Group of Experts on Cleaner Electricity Production.  A frequent speaker at industry forums and a prolific writer Terzic currently appears regularly on CNN International and Fox Business TV programs. He is a faculty member of the Washington Campus consortium of 16 MBA schools, is a founder of the Society of Depreciation Professionals and member of the ASME, AEE, IAEE, Energy Bar Association and other organizations.  Branko Terzic holds a BS in Energy Engineering and was awarded an honorary Doctor of Sciences Engineering degree both from the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

1. Information on the Downtown Hilton Americas Hotel, reservations and the room block availability, please access <https://www.naesb.org/pdf4/bd121119hotel.docx> [↑](#footnote-ref-1)