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

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

**RE:** Joint WEQ Business Practices Subcommittees (BPS), WEQ Cybersecurity Subcommittee and RMQ BPS Meeting Announcement and Agenda – February 18, 2025

**DATE:** January 21, 2025

Dear NAESB WEQ BPS, WEQ Cybersecurity Subcommittee, RMQ BPS Participants, and other Interested Parties,

The next joint meeting of the WEQ BPS, WEQ Cybersecurity Subcommittee and RMQ BPS is scheduled for Tuesday, February 18, 2025 from 1:00 to 3:00 PM Central. During the meeting, the participants will discuss the DER Aggregator-Distribution Utility Bidirectional Market Based Information Communications Use Case and make a determination as to if the subcommittees should move forward with standards development at this time and how to proceed with the annual plan assignments. As noted in the two previous meetings, the development of cybersecurity-related standards in this area to support secure electronic communications is dependent upon additional feedback from distribution utilities and DER aggregators regarding related business processes and requirements. The meeting agenda is included below and posted to the WEQ BPS, WEQ Cybersecurity Subcommittee, and RMQ BPS pages of the NAESB website.

The participants developed the DER Aggregator-Distribution Utility Bidirectional Market Based Information Communications Use Case during the previous meeting, held on January 15, 2025, based on participant comments and discussion regarding the Communication Exchange Use Case Considerations Work Paper. As has been discussed, additional information is needed regarding the business processes and requirements related to carrying out transactions for distribution grid services subject to state or local jurisdiction in order to help ensure any developed standards support industry needs. For the upcoming meeting, co-chairs of the joint subcommittees have requested participants provide any feedback regarding the DER Aggregator-Distribution Utility Bidirectional Market Based Information Communications Use Case, specifically input from distribution utilities and DER aggregators regarding related business processes and requirements. The DER Aggregator-Distribution Utility Bidirectional Market Based Information Communications Use Case can be accessed through the following hyperlink: <https://www.naesb.org/pdf4/weq_bps_css_rmq_bps021825w1.docx>.

As with all NAESB meetings, this meeting is open to any interested party regardless of membership status within NAESB. Consistent with the NAESB non-member meeting participation [policy](http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/naesb_web_site_faq.pdf), non-members must register through the following hyperlink and pay the non-member meeting participation fee: <https://naesb.org/committee_activities.asp>.

All participants are encouraged to read the NAESB Antitrust and Other Meetings Policies prior to the meeting: <http://www.naesb.org/misc/antitrust_guidance.doc>.

Best Regards,

Caroline Trum

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**WEQ BPS, WEQ Cybersecurity Subcommittee and RMQ BPS**

**Joint Conference Call with Webcasting**

**Tuesday, February 18, 2025 from 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM Central**

**DRAFT AGENDA**

1. Welcome and Administrative Item

* [Antitrust and Other Meeting Policies](http://www.naesb.org/misc/antitrust_guidance.doc)
* Introduction of Attendees
* Adoption of Agenda
* Adoption of Available Draft Minutes
  + January 15, 2025

1. Discuss the DER Aggregator-Distribution Utility Bidirectional Market Based Information Communications Use Case

* Review and Discuss Any Submitted Work Papers

1. Discuss the Continuation of Standards Development to Support 2025 RMQ Annual Plan Item 2.a / 2025 WEQ Annual Plan Item 3.c – Review cybersecurity protections, such as Public Key Infrastructure (PKI), that may be necessary to secure electronic communications for distributed energy resources (DERs), and develop business practices as needed
2. Identify Next Steps and Action Items
3. Discuss Future Meetings
4. Adjourn