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**TO:** All Interested Parties

**FROM:** Elizabeth Mallett, NAESB Deputy Director

**RE: NAESB Coordination with NERC, the IDC Association, and FERC**

NERC and NAESB hold monthly coordination calls to ensure harmonization on industry projects. The agenda for the calls typically focuses on efforts concerning the NERC Time Error Correction Reliability Standard (BAL-004), Parallel Flow Visualization (PFV), and the NAESB Electric Industry Registry (EIR). In May, the NERC Board of Trustees will consider the retirement of the NERC BAL-004 Time Error Correction. The proposed retirement of BAL-004 may also lead to the retirement of NAESB’s companion Business Practice Standards contained in WEQ-006 Manual Time Error Correction. The WEQ Business Practices Subcommittee (WEQ BPS) will continue to monitor the NERC time error correction activities as part of 2016 WEQ Annual Plan Item 1.e. In a parallel effort, 2016 Annual Plan Item 1.g tasks the WEQ BPS with monitoring the potential retirement of the NERC Inadvertent Interchange Reliability Standards (BAL-006), as NAESB has related standards contained within WEQ-007 Inadvertent Interchange Payback.

Additionally, NERC and NAESB continue to hold discussions on the removal of the purchase selling entity (PSE), load serving entity (LSE), and interchange authority (IA) functionalities from the NERC Compliance Registry. The WEQ leadership is currently evaluating the need for a standards request to address requirements related to dynamic tagging that could be impacted by NERC’s efforts.

As you may know, the recommendation for the PFV standards modifications to the NAESB WEQ Business Practice Standards continues to be held in abeyance as part of the full-staffing period to allow for the completion of a field test on the standards prior to any potential industry implementation. The IDC Association will communicate an updated test timeline for the project to NAESB in mid-January. NAESB anticipates filing a status report to the FERC in the coming weeks.

Additionally, NAESB continues its close coordination relationship with FERC by providing monthly updates to Commission staff on the various activities of the organization. The FERC staff has been actively participating in the WEQ/WGQ FERC Forms effort**.**