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NAESB AT A GLANCE: MONTHLY UPDATE

UPDATE ON GAS-ELECTRIC HARMONIZATION: Ms. McQuade provided the [update](#). She noted that several meetings have been held by the NAESB Gas-Electric Harmonization committee. While this is a named Board committee, all interested participants were welcome to attend. She noted the four core issues that the subcommittee has been addressing: 1) Scheduling and other inconsistencies in the interactions of the two markets impact the effectiveness of providing gas and electric service; 2) Capacity issues including the availability and determination to use firm and interruptible capacity to support load requirements is a core issue in the interdependencies of the two markets, for both the day of and the day ahead markets; 3) Curtailment policies and practices are components of the interdependency of the two markets that impacts harmonization; and 4) Additional and more formal structure for communications of the parties in the gas and electric markets is needed, particularly for unanticipated demand situations. The goal of the committee is to formulate recommendations to go to the Board.

UPDATE ON DSM-EE EFFORTS: Mr. Precht provided the update for the Retail efforts.

Retail Energy Efficiency Update: The Retail Energy Efficiency work group met on March 7 in Baltimore, MD at BGE offices to discuss a proposed compromise that was drafted to end the stalemate that had occurred at the work group level. ISO New England and NEEP led the drafting of the compromise [recommendation](#) that was reviewed at that meeting. Consensus was reached on all issues. Only two items remain: the discussion and agreement of definitions of terms and the approval of the model business practices at the work group level. A March 27 conference call has been scheduled with the Retail Glossary subcommittee to review glossary terms, and an April 19 Retail Energy Efficiency work group meeting has been scheduled to vote on the recommendation. Any party with substantive comments is requested to provide those comments to the work group at least three days prior to the April 19 conference call to allow time for participants to review them. Any comments received later than April 16 will not be considered by the work group, but rather reviewed by the DSM-EE subcommittee when they meet to review and vote on the recommendation that the work group approves. Once approved by the full DSM-EE subcommittee, the recommendation will be posted for a 30 day formal comment period, followed by a Retail Electric Quadrant Executive Committee meeting to approve the recommendation.

Retail Demand Response: The Retail Demand Response work group completed its work on [model business practices](#) for enrollment, drop and account information change. In addition to the recommendation, the work group also developed process flows for each. This recommendation will be presented to the full DSM-EE subcommittee at the same time as the Retail Energy Efficiency recommendation. The only annual plan item left for the Retail Demand Response work group to address is Retail Annual Plan Item 10.b, develop a new standardized form to obtain the Retail Customer's Authorization for the release of their information to a third party. The need for such a form was identified in work group discussions, but it became clear that such a form could also be used in several other areas. It was determined that this should be a joint effort between the DSM-EE subcommittee and the Retail Business Practices subcommittee. The Retail Business Practices subcommittee will sponsor a joint conference call March 28 to discuss this annual plan item. All interested parties are encouraged to attend. Discussion on the authorization forms is scheduled from 10:30 am to 12:30 pm Eastern.

UPDATE ON SMART GRID ACTIVITIES: Mr. Booe, NAESB counsel, provided an update on the ongoing Smart Grid activities. At the last monthly update call, he provided a review of The Green Button Initiative. The NAESB office developed a website dedicated to the ESPI standards and the Green Button Initiative, which provides information on how to obtain the standards. He also noted that the PAP 10 subcommittee met last Monday to continue discussion on whether or not to update the PAP 10 model. Some of the standards have been updated and the subcommittee wants to ensure the model stays consistent with those standards.



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UPDATE ON PARALLEL FLOW VISUALIZATION (PFV): Mr. Skiba, co-chair of the WEQ BPS subcommittee, provided the [update](#). The WEQ BPS has been addressing PFV for a few years. It has included very technical work that has required coordination with numerous organizations. For the past few months, the subcommittee has worked to resolve outstanding parking lot items, which include pseudo-ties and credit for re-dispatch. The subcommittee is working under the assumption that once the WEQ EC reviews the recommendation, they will most likely want to have the recommendation fully staffed. It is understood that a 12 to 18 month field test will occur, and during that time, changes to the standards will occur. The WEQ BPS has begun to draft a shell for the business practices standards. The subcommittee will have to define the level of detail to put into the standards, knowing they may change. The anticipated completion date for the recommendation is the end of the second quarter.

UPDATE ON THE WEQ OASIS EFFORTS: JT Wood, co-chair of the OASIS subcommittee, provided the update. The OASIS subcommittee is currently reviewing the comments received for the Network Integrated Transmission Service (NITS) [recommendation](#). The subcommittee anticipates completion of their review this week. The documents will be finalized for posting next week and a WEQ EC meeting will be scheduled to review and vote on this recommendation.

UPDATE ON THE ELECTRIC INDUSTRY REGISTRY: Ms. Cummings provided the [update](#). The NAESB office continues to work with both OATI and NERC on the transition from the NERC TSIN Registry to the NAESB Electric Industry Registry. Training sessions for all industry participants ran from February 27 to March 16 and all meetings were well attended. Initial registration for NAESB, NERC, Regional Reliability Organizations, Reliability Coordinators and Market Operators is scheduled for March 19. Authorized Certificate Authorities and Application Service Providers will register on March 22. General entity registration for Balancing Authorities, Transmission Service Providers, Purchasing-Selling Entities, Load Serving Entities and Generation Serving Entities is scheduled for March 28. A parallel operation of the TSIN and Electric Industry Registry is scheduled to begin May 14 and will run for as long as necessary.

UPDATE ON PKI/CERTIFICATION: Mr. Buccigross, chair of the PKI subcommittee, provided the update. The PKI subcommittee is in the process of revising the WEQ-012 standards and accreditation requirements for Authorized Certificate Authorities (ACAs). The subcommittee is currently focused on the [ACA accreditation requirements document](#). This work may affect the document created by the certification committee.

UPDATE ON DODD-FRANK: Mr. Sappenfield provided the update. The [work paper](#) for today's call shows the current status of Dodd-Frank implementation by the CFTC. At the open meeting on February 23, 2012, by a 3-2 vote, the CFTC approved a Re-Proposed Rule on Procedures to Establish Appropriate Minimum Block Sizes for Large Notional Off-Facility Swaps and Block Trades and Further Measures to Protect the Identities of Parties to Swap Transactions. Mr. Booe noted that the technical advisory committee is dormant.

UPDATE ON CYBER LEGISLATION: Mr. Hurley provided the [update](#) on the Cybersecurity Act of 2012. He noted both the [Senate](#) and the [House](#) bills that were currently under consideration.

NEXT CONFERENCE CALL: The next Monthly Update Call is scheduled for May 23, 2012 from 1-2 PM Central. The agenda and any work papers will be posted on the Monthly Update page of the NAESB website: http://www.naesb.org/monthly_update.asp. We hope you can join us. If there are particular topics you would like to see covered or would like to receive additional information, please contact the NAESB Office (713)356-0060, naesb@naesb.org.



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