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NAESB MONTHLY UPDATE CONFERENCE CALL

WGQ & WEQ: UPDATE ON GAS-ELECTRIC HARMONIZATION ACTIVITIES: Ms. Crockett, Chair of the WGQ Quadrant, delivered the gas-electric harmonization update. She reviewed recent submissions to the FERC Docket No. RM14-2-000 and stated that the Board held a working session on June 1, 2015 in order to review proposed additions to the 2015 WEQ and WGQ Annual Plans to respond to FERC Order No. 809. Following the Board working session, a notational ballot proposing options for the annual plans was sent to Board members on June 12, 2015 and will be due back to the NAESB office on June 26, 2015. On June 17 and 18 Rae McQuade, President of NAESB, and Michael Desselle, CEO of NAESB, took part in a round robin with FERC Commissioners to update them on the current activities at NAESB.

WGQ & WEQ: ELECTRONIC FILING PROTOCOLS FOR FERC FORMS: Mr. Booe, Vice President of NAESB, delivered the update on the electronic filing protocols for FERC forms. On April 16, 2015, FERC issued an *Order Instituting Proceeding to Develop Electronic Filing Protocols for Commission Forms* in Docket No. AD15-11-000. The order proposes replacing the current format with XML, as Visual Fox Pro is no longer supported by Microsoft. Mr. Booe noted that the proposal will not modify the type of data reported, merely the way that the report is transmitted. NAESB has been working with an association of oil pipelines, as two of the forms are related to oil pipelines. This issue was addressed on the Board notational ballot that is due on June 26, 2015. The project may be handled similar to the development of the eTariff standards. The first meeting to address the electronic filing protocols project will be announced by the NAESB office in the upcoming weeks.

WEQ: UPDATE ON NAESB/NERC/IDC COORDINATION: Ms. Trum, NAESB Deputy Director, delivered the update on coordination with external organizations. NAESB continues to hold monthly conference calls to discuss the Electric Industry Registry (EIR), the MOD A Standards, Parallel Flow Visualization (PFV), and any additional coordination issues identified by NERC project managers or the NAESB WEQ subcommittee co-chairs. Ms. Trum noted that the WEQ Business Practices Subcommittee voted out the recommendation for the MOD A project earlier in the day. Also, Bob Harshbarger, Co-Chair of the WEQ Executive Committee, and Jason Davis, Co-Chair of the WEQ BPS, participated in a FERC Available Transfer Capability (ATC) workshop in April. In the near future, NERC and NAESB will begin coordinating on projects involving Time Error Correction BAL 004 and the BAL-005 and BAL-006 standards. NERC has indicated that the organization would like to coordinate evaluation of BAL standards to determine which may be appropriate to delete and to discuss the possibility of developing corresponding NAESB commercial business practice standards. Additionally, a review the NERC INT standards related to the tagging of Intra-Balancing Authority transactions may have a commercial impact that may need to be harmonized on the NAESB side. Full staffing for the PFV project is well underway with the standards being held in abeyance while the IDC Association performs a field test on the standards. Mr. Booe thanked Ms. Trum for the coordination update.

WEQ: MOD A STANDARDS UPDATE: Mr. Davis, Co-Chair of the WEQ BPS, delivered the update on the MOD A standards development effort. After holding monthly two day face-to-face meetings over the past several months, the WEQ BPS voted out the recommendation for MOD A earlier in the day and it will be sent out for a thirty day formal industry comment period. The subcommittee is now reviewing the 2015 WEQ Annual Plan for the prioritization of its assignments for this year. Mr. Booe thanked the Co-Chairs of the WEQ BPS for their leadership of the subcommittee. He stated that the MOD A recommendation will be reviewed by the WEQ Executive Committee in August and possibly included in the WEQ standards publication in the third quarter.

WEQ: UPDATE ON WEQ EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TASK FORCE ON CONDITIONAL

REDIRECTS: Mr. Harshbarger, Co-Chair of the WEQ Executive Committee, delivered the update. He stated that during the last WEQ Executive Committee meeting, the recommendation for 2015 WEQ Annual Plan Item 7.b was considered. The proposed standards, developed in response to FERC Order No. 676-H, only address redirects on a



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firm basis from unconditional parent reservations, as the subcommittee could not reach consensus on conditional redirects. The WEQ Executive Committee created a task force to address conditional redirects. At its first meeting, the task force reviewed a white paper that explained possible solutions and options moving forward. Mr. Booe thanked Mr. Harshbarger and Ms. York for their work on the project.

WEQ & RMQ: CYBERSECURITY ACTIVITIES: Ms. Trum, NAESB Deputy Director, delivered the Cybersecurity update. The Cybersecurity Subcommittee (CSS) met a couple times in April to discuss a preliminary review of the NAESB Authorized Certification Authority process. Additionally, a review of Version 5 NERC Critical Infrastructure Protection (CIP) standards was performed to determine whether the NAESB standards could be effected by or correspond with the NERC standards. The WEQ CISS determined that none of the modifications to the NERC standards would necessitate changes to the NAESB standards. During the July 13, 2015 meeting, the WEQ CISS will discuss any ongoing FERC activities or actions that the NAESB standards could support.

OPEN FIELD MESSAGE BUS (OpenFMB) TASK FORCE UPDATE: Mr. Zhou, Co-Chair of the OpenFMB Task Force, delivered the update. He stated that the OpenFMB project is working to create a standard that will drive future smart grid efforts by allowing devices on distributed or the transmission grid to talk to each other in a more open way. Currently, the task force is meeting every other week with participation from vendors, utilities, and independent consultants. The task force is diligently drafting the specification to support the project and leveraging the SGIP community to develop use cases or requirements, mainly in the area of microgrids.

RETAIL NET METERING: Mr. Jones, Co-Chair of the Retail Business Practices Subcommittee, delivered the update on the NAESB Model Business Practices addressing Retail Net Metering. The term “Retail Net Metering” has been defined by the subcommittee and is limited to metering data in competitive markets where net metering is available. The standards development effort will impact four retail books: Book 3 – Billing and Payments in Competitive Energy Markets Model Business Practices, Book 8 – Retail Customer Information Model Business Practices, Book 10 – Retail Customer Enrollment, Drop, and Account Information Change Model Business Practices, and Book 11 – Retail Customer Enrollment, Drop, and Account Information Change Using a Registration Agent Model Business Practices. The NAESB membership has ratified the recommendations modifying Books 3 and 8. The subcommittee has now turned its efforts to the Retail Net Metering revisions for Books 10 and 11. The revised retail books will be included in the Version 3.1 retail publication. Mr. Booe thanked Mr. Jones and Mr. Precht for their work in chairing the subcommittee.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND REGULATORY UPDATES: Mr. Booe, Vice-President of NAESB, provided the regulatory update. The Parliamentary Committee continues to consider the definition of the word “majority” as it appears in NAESB governance documents. Also, the group is proposing to the board a process for the removal of directors in cases of misfeasance, malfeasance and nonfeasance. The Revenue Committee met on May 15, 2015 to approve a recommendation on the definition of “members” for Board consideration. The Revenue Committee also evaluated the NAESB publication schedule and discussed the possible development of a standardized LNG contract. The Board Strategic Plan Task Force met in mid-May to discuss the definition of “member” as it is used in the NAESB governance documents. During its next meeting the task force will review the NAESB 2015 Annual Plans to ensure that the items are consistent with the NAESB Strategic Plan. Recently, Mr. Desselle and Ms. Crockett met with NARUC. A NAESB 101 course is being developed for state commissions. Brad Ramsey and Chuck Gray from NARUC have been assisting with this project.

NEXT CONFERENCE CALL: The next Monthly Update conference call is scheduled for August 27, 2015 from 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Central. The agenda and any work papers will be posted on the Monthly Update page of the NAESB website, accessible at the following link: 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 if you would like to receive additional information, please contact the NAESB Office by phone at (713) 356-0060 or email at naesb@naesb.org.



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