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**TO:** All Interested Parties

**FROM:** Caroline Trum, NAESB Deputy Director

**RE: WEQ/WGQ eForms Effort Update**

On July 16, 2020, FERC released an Order on Technical Conference as part of the proceeding *Revisions to the Filing Process for Commission Forms* in Docket No. RM19-12-000. In the Order, the Commission adopted the final versions of the eXtensible Business Reporting Language (XBRL) taxonomy and other supporting documents needed by the industry to use the XBRL filing format for the submission of FERC Form Nos. 1, 1-F, 3-Q (electric), 2, 2-A, 3-Q (natural gas), 6, 6-Q, 60, and 714. As part of the Order, the Commission identified an implementation schedule for the use of the new filing format, with the industry using the XBRL process for starting with the 3rd Quarter, 2021 for FERC Form Nos. 3-Q (electric), 3-Q (natural gas), and 6-Q and in 2022 for FERC Form Nos. 1, 1-F, 2, 2-A, 6, 60, and 714. Commission also addressed industry comments submitted in response to the XBRL eForms Technical Conference held on March 24 – 26, 2020.

At the request of Commission staff, NAESB staff participated in the March technical conference, during which a suggestion was made that NAESB could serve as a resource to connect regulated entities required to use the XBRL filing format with software providers. As a result, NAESB has made available on its website a [list](https://naesb.org/pdf4/potential_ferc_fsv_2020.pdf) of vendors that have notified NAESB of their intent to provide software solutions or services to assist the industry in the filing of certain FERC Forms consistent with the FERC eForms Refresh and FERC Order No. 859 *Revisions to the Filing Process for Commission Forms*. NAESB staff continues to remain in contact with FERC staff regarding any support the organization can provide as the Commission moves forward with the next steps.

The Commission issued Order No. 859 *Revisions to the Filing Process for Commission Forms* in June 2019. The Order established XBRL as the new filing format for the above referenced FERC Forms. The NAESB WEQ/WGQ FERC Forms Subcommittee served as an industry forum to gauge consensus on a number of foundational elements that formed the building blocks for Commission determinations regarding the XBRL filing format. As part of FERC Order No. 859, the Commission recognized the contributions of NAESB to the eForms Refersh effort. In 2015, NAESB established the WEQ/WGQ FERC Forms Subcommittee in response to the Commission’s April 16, 2015 *Order Instituting Proceeding to Develop Electronic Filing Protocols for Commission Forms* in Docket No. AD15-11-000.