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February 13, 2004

Rae McQuade  
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Michael Desselle, Vice Chairman for the Wholesale Electric Quadrant concurring;

1. I am writing separately to explain my reasoning with respect to my support of the Managing Committee decision to find each part of Request R03035 as within NAESB's scope.
2. I find nothing in the language of the request inconsistent with Article 2, Section 1 of NAESB's Certificate.
3. I think the Executive Committee made a mistake by voting to overturn this request as "Out of Scope". The Executive Committee would have been well within its rights if it had accepted the decision of Triage assigning the Request to the WGQ and chosen to add the Request to its annual plan meanwhile assigning the Request a lower priority. That would have been an appropriate procedural avenue the Executive Committee could have chosen. If the EC had chosen to take that route, it could have avoided this contentious debate and relied on the only cogent argument espoused (await the outcome of FERC's technical conference for further clarity). However, having acted in the manner that the Executive Committee chose, invited the Board and its Managing Committee to ensure that the Executive Committee fulfills its responsibilities under the Bylaws.

Regards,

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### Board of Directors Ballot Notational Vote Regarding the Scope Question for Request R03035 February 11, 2004

Agreement? (Yes/No/Abstain)	Statement
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I vote in support of the Managing Committee decision to find R03035 for each of the parts listed below as within NAESB's scope as identified in the NAESB Certificate of Incorporation:

Yes	Part A : Establish web-based reports for tracking all physical and chemical properties of natural gas defined in pipeline tariffs, including timelines for reporting.
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Yes	Part B: Develop a uniform process, including the underlying assumptions and methodologies, for determining gas quality specifications from measured data.
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Yes	Part C: Examine the need to establish gas quality specification standards taking into consideration, (i) the specification needs of end users and providers of service to end users, and (ii) sources of supply (e.g. land-based, the Gulf, LNG). Draft such standards as appropriate.
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Date:	February 12, 2004

**Please return to the NAESB Office by February 17, 2004  
Fax: 713-356-0067**