

North American Energy Standards Board

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TO: Business Practices Subcommittee Chairs, Interested Industry Participants
FROM: Rae McQuade, Executive Director
RE: Final Minutes from the Business Practices Subcommittee Meeting, December 16, 2003
DATE: December 16, 2003

1. Administrative

Ms. Van Pelt opened the meeting and gave the anti-trust advice. The agenda was modified to remove R03021 since it was resolved at the 12/03/2003 meeting. The agenda was adopted as modified. Participants on the call introduced themselves. It was noted that Ms. Burch added some additional language to the 11/19/2003 draft meeting minutes. The minutes were reviewed, further modified, and adopted as final. The 12/03/2003 draft meeting minutes were modified and adopted as final.

2. Review of Business Practices Requests

R03026 SunGard Energy Systems Discussion and possible vote

Discussion:

It was determined that, the Pre-determined Allocation data dictionary data elements Allocation Method, Allocation Rank Level, and Allocation Rank Indicator could possibly be used as a basis to create capacity release data elements that would convey the different ways that overlapping quantities could be handled. A methodology type indicator to describe which method is to be used and an additional data element to further break down how that would work could be developed; for example a percentage in the methodology data element and the other data element would contain the actual percentages.

It was suggested that no default should be specified because the FERC order states that the tariff is the default.

It was discussed that a situation exists where two replacement shippers are the only ones who have nominated (no releasing shippers have nominated) and the nominations exceed the original contract demand. Order 637 does not address it when the releasing shipper does not nominate. Any release is independent of any other release. It was suggested that we need some language in the instruction to talk about what situations this business practice will address.

Motion (motioned by Jennifer Chen, seconded by Kathryn Burch):

Instruct the Information Requirements Subcommittee to accommodate the business practice of sending an indication in the Offer and Award related data sets of how the nominated quantities are to be processed in the event that the total of the releasing shipper and replacement shipper(s) submitted nominations exceed the original contract demand. This business practice does not address non-primary overlapping nominations between other replacement shippers.

Segments	Vote For	Balanced For	Vote Against	Balanced Against
End Users	1	1	0	0
LDCs	3	2	0	0
Pipelines	4	2	0	0
Producers	0	0	0	0
Services	2	2	0	0
Totals	10	7	0	0

Motion passes (see vote 1 on the attendee list)

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R03032

National Fuel Gas Distribution

Discussion and possible vote

Discussion:

Mr. Novak posted a work paper which is a modified request requesting that the rate schedule data element be modified to a mandatory usage in the capacity release, firm, and interruptible transactional reporting data sets. Mr. Novak believes that it is consistent to require that the rate schedule be made mandatory so that the transactional reporting data sets corresponds with the Index of Customers. He explained that where the transportation service provider has more than one rate schedule in a class service, there would be no way to evaluate the quantities.

Although the net effect of the implementation is that the data element is mandatory, the Information Requirements Subcommittee will take care of implementing the conditionality and usage of the data element so that it is consistent with the other mandatory data elements when revisions are sent.

Motion (motioned by Mike Novak, seconded by Craig Colombo)

Instruct the Information Requirements Subcommittee (IR) to modify the usage of the data element Rate Schedule from sender's option to mandatory in the Transactional Reporting related data sets (NAESB WGQ Standards 5.4.20, 5.4.21, and 5.4.22). IR should implement the usage and conditionality of the data element in a manner that is consistent with the implementation of other mandatory data elements when revisions are sent.

Segments	Vote For	Balanced For	Vote Against	Balanced Against
End Users	1	1	0	0
LDCs	3	2	0	0
Pipelines	8	2	0	0
Producers	1	1	0	0
Services	2	2	0	0
Totals	15	8	0	0

Motion passes (see vote 2 on the attendee list)

3. Next Meeting(s) and Agenda

At the next several conference calls, the BPS will focus on the high priority review and development of necessary standards for FERC Order 2004. Once this effort has been completed, we will return to the remaining items on the BPS agenda.

1/08/2004	10:00a.m.-12:00p.m.	Conference Call
	WGQ Annual Plan Item 2: Review and Development Necessary Standards for FERC Order 2004	
1/22/2004	10:00a.m.-12:00p.m.	Conference Call
2/05/2004	10:00a.m.-12:00p.m.	Conference Call
2/19/2004	10:00a.m.-12:00p.m.	Conference Call
3/04/2004	10:00a.m.-12:00p.m.	Conference Call
3/17/2004	9:30a.m.-4:30p.m.	Face-to-Face Meeting Houston, Texas

4. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned.

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Meeting Attendees and Voting Record

Attendee	Organization	12/03/03	Vote 1	Vote 2	NAESB WGQ Member?
Pipelines:					
Kim Van Pelt	Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line	√	Abstain	√	√
Dale Davis	Williams Gas Pipeline	√	Abstain	√	√
Christopher Burden	Williams Gas Pipeline	√(nv)	nv	nv	√
Randy Young	Gulf South	√	Abstain	√	√
Mark Gracey	Tennessee Gas Pipeline		√	√	
Iris King	Dominion Transmission	√	√	√	√
Bill Griffith	Colorado Interstate Gas	√	√	√	√
Mike Schisler	NGPL	√	Absent	Absent	√
Marcy McCain	Texas Eastern Transmission	√(nv)	nv	nv	√
Kathryn Burch	Texas Eastern Transmission	√	√	√	√
Rita Jones	Texas Gas	√	Abstain	√	√
Jeff Bittel	Texas Gas	√(nv)	nv	nv	√
Services:					
Keith Sappenfield	Encana	√	√	√	√
Jennifer Chen	SunGard Energy Systems	√	√	√	√
Producers:					
Sheri Heslington	Dominion E&P	√	Abstain	√	√
End Users:					
Tina Burnett	Boeing	√	√	√	√
LDCs:					
Mike Novak	National Fuel Gas Distribution	√	√	√	√
Pete Connor	NiSource	√	Absent	Absent	√
Marjorie Perlman	Energy East	√	√	√	√
Mark Sellers-Vaughn	Cascade Natural Gas	√	Absent	Absent	√
Craig Colombo	Dominion Resources	√	√	√	√
Associations:					
NAESB Office					

Bold signifies a BPS Chair

nv – not voting