

North American Energy Standards Board

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TO: Interested Industry Participants
FROM: North American Energy Standards Board
RE: **Industry Meeting Regarding the Wholesale Market Electricity Standards Organization**
DATE: January 11, 2002

Dear Industry Participant,

The Department of Energy and the National Energy Marketers Association are pleased to sponsor a follow-up industry wide meeting as announced on December 7, 2001, to further the discussions on the formation of a standard organization to address the wholesale market electricity standards development. This meeting continues and furthers the discussions held at the December 7 DOE meeting, and is designed to provide an opportunity for open discussion on the organizational structure needed to represent the wholesale electric interests in the development of market-based standards, and types of standards that should be addressed. As with the previous industry wide meetings held on standards development activities for the wholesale and retail natural gas and electric topics, the Department of Energy has graciously offered its facilities for the meeting site. Any interested party is invited to attend. The meeting specifics are below and a draft agenda is attached.

WHERE: Department of Energy
Forrestal Building
1000 Independence Avenue, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20585

ROOM: Large Auditorium, Room GE-086

WHEN: Monday, January 28 -- 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The nature of the debate should address the models that are being defined for an organization whose role would be to develop wholesale electric standards, including scope of activity, segments for each of the industry quadrants, and any additional key principles that are necessary. As supporting information for the meeting is prepared, which would include a more detailed agenda, it will be posted on the NAESB web site (www.naesb.org) and can be emailed to you if you request it from the NAESB office (naesb@aol.com, naesb1@aol.com).

If you are unable to attend the meeting, or would like to provide written comments in addition to attendance, please provide them to the NAESB office via email (contact: naesb@aol.com, naesb1@aol.com) by January 21. The work papers and comments received by January 21 will be posted on our web site and emailed to all registered participants on January 21. The meeting will be transcribed and transcripts will be available for purchase.

The Department of Energy has security procedures for visitors, so those intending to attend the meeting should notify the NAESB office (contact: naesb@aol.com, naesb1@aol.com) by end of business Monday, January 21 and provide the following information:

- Name of Attendee
- Company Represented
- Phone Number
- Email Address
- Fax Number
- Country of Citizenship

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In addition to its normal security process, the Department of Energy has additional security measures if should you bring in cell phones or laptop computers. The auditorium has very limited number of power outlets for laptops, and it is advised not to bring them to the meeting. Should you need to bring in a cell phone or a laptop, you should allow more time for a longer procedure for checking through security. The auditorium has a seating capacity of 200, with limited standing room. An attendance list will be provided to the Department of Energy to facilitate the sign in procedures, and will be made available at the meeting.

Please feel free to call our office should you have any questions or comments. We look forward to seeing you at this industry meeting and receiving your comments.

Best Regards,

Rae McQuade

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INDUSTRY FORUM ON THE CONSIDERATION OF AN ENERGY INDUSTRY STANDARDS BOARD

**Sponsored By the U.S. Department of Energy and the National Energy Marketers
Association**

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Room GE-086**

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DRAFT AGENDA

1. Welcome Remarks
2. Antitrust Statement
3. Update on FERC activities related to standards
4. Review of Progress Made to Date with specific review of the models prepared and forwarded by January 20, 2002.
5. Review of the Comments forwarded by January 21, 2002.
6. Discussion on possible convergences of models forwarded.
7. Discussion on the industry process for moving forward to submit a stakeholder consensus filing to FERC by March 15.
8. Adjourn