



North American Energy Standards Board

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via email

TO: NAESB Retail Gas Quadrant (RGQ) and Retail Electric Quadrant (REQ) Board of Directors and Executive Committee Leadership

FROM: Rae McQuade, NAESB Executive Director
Todd Oncken, NAESB Deputy Director

RE: NAESB RGQ & REQ Board of Directors and Executive Committee Leadership Conference Call

DATE: December 8, 2003

Dear NAESB RGQ & REQ Board Members,

A RGQ & REQ Board and Executive Committee Leadership conference call was held on December 3, 2003. The conference call provided a forum for RGQ & REQ Board members and EC subcommittee leadership to discuss quadrant-specific topics in advance of the December 4, 2003 NAESB Board meeting.

Board and EC Leadership Conference Call

Wednesday, December 3, 2003

Notes:

- The 11-10-03 meeting with Chairman Wood, and subsequent letter from Chairman Wood providing the issues he highlighted from the meeting, was briefly discussed. It was noted some items and dates in the letter were surprising. It was noted that NAESB work on intraday nominations (Request R03031) would be responsive to the Chairman's letter. It was suggested a reasonable goal would be to complete a report containing which policy elements were clear and which were unclear by the end of the 1Qtr2004. For those areas with clear policy guidance, standards development could move forward.
- The retail model business practices for creditworthiness and billing and payments will be presented to the gas and electric committees during the Winter NARUC meeting in March 2004. The format of the presentation will be a report rather than a call for action. The Consumer Affairs Committee, through Commissioner Wood of California, and NASUCA should be invited to the presentation as well.
- The proposal for conference call charges was discussed at length. Concern was expressed regarding the impact of the assessment on meeting participation and recruitment efforts. It was noted that a report would be given at each Board meeting regarding the results – both in participation and finances, should the 2004 budget be approved including the assumption of charging for calls. Mr. Novak developed an alternative proposal for presentation at the Board meeting that would assess each member organization a one time fee of \$100.
- The impact of current membership levels in the retail quadrants was discussed.



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Attendance:

Quadrant:	Attendee:	Organization:
REQ Board	Cade Burks	EC Power
REQ Board	Leonard Haynes	Southern Company
REQ Board	David Koogler	Dominion
REQ Board	Rich Zelenko	Dominion Retail
REQ EC	Barbara Alexander	State of Maine Public Advocate
REQ EC	Ruth Kiselewich	Baltimore Gas & Electric
REQ EC	Bill Newbold	Detroit Edison
RGQ Board	Mark Maassel	NiSource
RGQ Board	Leigh Spangler	Latitude Technology
RGQ EC	Suzanne Calcagno	UBS Energy
RGQ EC	Michael Novak	National Fuel
	Rick Alston	Old Dominion
	Yvette Camp	Southern Company
	Rae McQuade	NAESB
	Todd Oncken	NAESB

Best Regards,

Todd