

Retail Gas Quadrant Use of List-Servers

Free list-servers are available from Yahoo Groups <http://groups.yahoo.com>

Benefits:

1. Provides list server capabilities (mail exploder)
2. Controlled membership if desired (approved by moderators)
3. Controlled posts if desired (approved by moderators)
4. Hidden e-mail addresses if desired for privacy
5. Attachments, file posts, calendar more.
6. Used by REQ <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/retalelectric>
7. Does NOT require Yahoo user signup (e.g. subscribe by sending e-mail to retalelectric-subscribe@yahoogroups.com)
8. You can receive daily summaries rather than individual e-mails. Cuts down on e-mails.
9. The amount of e-mail on REQ's group is not significant, so I was thinking of having all RGQ subcommittees use same group (e.g. NAESB-RGQ rather than separate groups NAESB-RGQ, NAESB-RGQ-TEIS, etc). We could put prefixes on the e-mails if it is only TEIS, or other subcommittee.

We are all very good at deleting unwanted e-mails! I have a rule that puts all my REQ stuff in a folder.

I've been using this for several different groups for over 4 months and it is an effective tool. Only negative is that it is funded by ads. They don't seem to get in my way much.

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