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Mr. William Boswell  
North American Energy Standards Board  
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Dear Mr. Boswell:

**RE:** Wholesale Electric Quadrant

At the most recent July 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> meeting of the electric industry's Market Participants in Wilmington, Delaware, a confirming vote was taken regarding the five segment model for the Wholesale Electric Quadrant (WEQ) which will be sent to the NAESB Board for their consideration.

The five segment WEQ model does not currently appear to provide for the logical inclusion of Regional Reliability Organizations (RROs) in any single segment by virtue of their corporate structure and definition:

“An RRO is an Independent Regional Reliability Organization responsible for the development and compliance enforcement of regionally specific reliability criteria for the purposes of maintaining the reliability and integrity of the bulk power system on a national and international basis.”

In as much as ANSI certification requires the inclusion of every industry participant in the NAESB process, we ask for your assistance in providing a means for continuing RRO participation in the WEQ. NPCC would like to continue its active participation in the WEQ, and looks forward to a recommendation from yourself and the NAESB Board in this regard.

Sincerely Yours,

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