

# Seams Subcommittee Report



**NAESB WEQ  
Executive Committee  
Meeting**

December 9, 2003



## Topics

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- Overview of Current Seams Catalog
- Categories and Subcategories
- Work Process Plan
- Consideration of Catalog for Approval



## Seams Catalog Overview

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- 134 Issues Currently
- 19 Submitters
- Excellent Industry Representation
  - Merchants
  - Transmission Providers
  - ISO-RTO
  - Jurisdictionals & Non-Jurisdictionals



## Seams Catalog Information

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- Original Number
- Category
- 1<sup>ST</sup> Subcategory
- 2<sup>ND</sup> Subcategory
- Description
- Comments
- Association
- Seam Interface Type
- Region 1



## Catalog Columns continued

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- Region 2
- Seam  
Impediment Type
- Currently  
Addressed
- Submitter
- Reference Papers
- Priority
- Responsible  
Organization



## Categories & Subcategories

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- Created to Link and Compress Issues
- 8 Categories
- 38 1<sup>ST</sup> Subcategories
- 57 2<sup>ND</sup> Subcategories



## Categories

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- Congestion Management (7, 13)
- Market Design (6, 8)
- Market Monitoring/ Compliance (3, 1)
- Market Standards (5, 4)
- Planning (1, 4)
- System Reliability (9, 12)
- Transaction Scheduling (2, 4)
- Transmission Service (5, 11)



## Seams Work Process Plan

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1. Present Catalog and Work Process Plan to WEQ EC

- Discussion and Consideration of Approval
- Due Date: 12-9-03

2. Submit EC Approved Catalog to the Industry

- Recipients determined by NAESB Staff
- Due Date: 12-12-03



## **Seams Work Plan** continued

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- 3. Review Catalog for Recommended Assignment to Specific Industry Organization
  - Post for EC and Industry Review
  - Due Date: 12/19/03
- Seams Subcommittee Final Review/Approval
  - Due Date: 1/7/03 (Conference Call)
- **EC Notational Vote to Confirm Assignments**



## Seams Work Plan continued

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### 4. Present to the Joint Interface Committee

- Discussion and Assignment to Industry Organizations
- Seams Subcommittee Will Update Catalog As Required With Assignment Decisions
- Notify Standards Review Subcommittee of Issues Assigned to NERC, FERC, or IRC
- Due Date: TBD



## Seams Work Plan continued

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### 5. Prioritize Catalog Issues as Required

- Issues Assigned to NAESB or All Issues?
- Due Date: TBD

### 6. Establish Task Forces to Develop Standard Requests

- Order of Development Based on Assigned Priorities
- Due Date: TBD



## Seams Work Plan continued

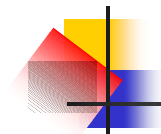
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### 7. Standard Request Forms **X%** Complete

- Multiple Milestones
- Task Forces Submit to Seams Subcommittee
- Seams Subcommittee Presents to EC

### 8. EC Assigns Standard Drafting and Support to the Appropriate Subcommittee

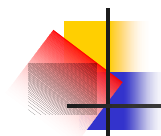
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## New Seams Issues

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- Current Catalog is “Frozen” Until Assignment Process is Complete
- New Issues Will be Subject to the Defined Process:
  - Categorization
  - Recommended Assignment
  - JIC Assignment
  - WEQ Subcommittee Assignment



## Joe Rossignoli – Issue 112

112	Transmission Service	Transmission Service Procurement	Transmission Service for ICAP Market
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Originally Submitted by Jeff Mueller (PSEG),  
and Andy Rodriguez (PJM)



## Joe Rossignoli – Issue 112

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- Long-term Transmission Service Availability to Support ICAP Transactions - Firm transmission reservation requirements to establish "Deliverability" as a requirement to buy external ICAP results in an economic advantage for internal suppliers and a barrier to market entry for external suppliers. **Alternatively, the playing field may be leveled by imposing a deliverability requirement on internal ICAP transactions as well.**



## Joe Rossignoli – Issue 131

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131	Market Design	Energy Market Design and Coordination	Express sunset provisions for implementation of Day 2 markets
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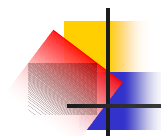
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## Joe Rossignoli – Issue 131

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- I guess I have a hard time viewing the imposition of a "sunset provision for implementation of Day 2 markets" in MISO as a standard. Are we talking about a timeline? A date? How would this be applied elsewhere?



## Barry Green Issue 136 & 137

136	Congestion Management	Standardize and Coordinate ATC Calculations and Postings	Reconcile ATC Calculations Between Physical and Financial Transmission Markets	Firm Transmission Service on IMO/MISO
137	Market Standards	Market Standard Operating Time		Inconsistent Market Event Timelines



## Barry Green Issue 136 & 137

- I would characterize them both as issues of "market standards". I think your wording under the headings "category", "1st sub category" and "description of seam" for item 137 also work for 136. As a comment for item 136 I would say: "There is a disconnect between the timing of bids and offers in the Ontario market and the releasing of firm transmission in MISO for which schedules have not been submitted for use as non-firm transmission."

# Consideration of Seams Catalog for Approval

