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**TO:** NAESB Wholesale Electric Quadrant Electric Trading Task Force, Posting for Interested Industry Participants

**FROM:** Meghan McMillan, NAESB Staff

**RE:** Final Minutes from the NAESB Wholesale Electric Quadrant Electric Trading Task Force Meeting – May 7, 2003

**DATE:** May 21, 2003

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**Wholesale Electric Quadrant  
Electric Trading Task Force  
May 7, 2003 (3:00pm - 5:00pm Central)  
Final Minutes**

### 1. Welcome

Mr. Johnson opened the meeting and Mr. Oncken gave the antitrust guidelines. Introductions were made in the room and on the phone. Mr. Johnson suggested the ETTF discuss Mr. Walker's presentation about the Gas Day. Mr. Cox noted the minutes from the last meeting need to be approved. Mr. Oberski moved, seconded by Mr. Cox to adopt the agenda. The agenda was adopted as written absent objection. Mr. Cox moved, seconded by Mr. Reed to adopt the draft minutes from April 21, 2003. The draft minutes were adopted as written absent objection.

### 2. Discuss Comments on Proposed Definitions for Day Ahead Trading Day and Operating period

Mr. Johnson noted the proposed definitions for Day Ahead Trading Period and Operating Period were posted on the NAESB web site. He asked if there was any further discussion concerning these proposed definitions. No discussion was offered. It was decided that these definitions would be the basis for the standards requests.

### 3. Discussion of Draft Standards Request Forms on Day Ahead Trading Period, Energy Time Zone, and Power and Gas Day Timings

Mr. Johnson noted the Day Ahead Trading Period and the Energy Time Zone requests were discussed at the May 7, 2003 MOS meeting. He asked for any comments concerning the Day Ahead Trading Period request. He noted they should consider concerns voiced at the MOS meeting about the request having too little detail. Mr. Johnson stated the task force will probably not meet the deadline for JIC consideration at the June meeting. Mr. Schwermann voiced concerns about whether it is necessary to slow down the process to add more information to the request. Mr. Johnson noted this would only be a brief background document. It was suggested that each request be reviewed to determine if additional background information is needed.

### Day Ahead Trading Period

It was noted that the definition for Day Ahead Trading Period would be added to the request. Ms. Anderson asked if this definition only addresses RTOs and ISOs because it does not cover some over-the-counter transactions (especially in the Western market). Mr. Schwermann stated the task force tried to create a generic definition that would allow some flexibility for possible future changes in the definition. Mr. Schwermann also stated he is unsure of the necessity of a standardized trading day across the nation, especially in light of the FERC white paper and a lack of specific direction from the Commission. Mr. Cox noted the definition as written does not preclude the western market from maintaining its current procedures. Mr. Cox suggested the definitions be



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maintained, but instead add language in item four of the standard request form saying the definition (day ahead trading period) may be defined as such. The group agreed to add language to that effect. Mr. Reed suggested that the language of item six be changed to read the same as the language from item six on the Power and Gas Day Timings Request. Item seven was discussed to determine if there are any reliability concerns with this standard proposal. Mr. Johnson stated he does not see any reliability issues, so it was agreed the standards request should reflect that no reliability concerns were identified. It was agreed that no additional documentation was needed for this request.

### **Energy Time Zone**

Mr. Terelmes suggested changing the word 'all' to 'standardized' in item four of the Energy Time Zone Standard Request. Mr. Cox stated the task force should consider their next steps in light of the presentation made on the gas day by Mr. Walker, and Mr. Johnson suggested they discuss that presentation before moving forward in the discussion of the standards request.

### **Discussion of Gas Day Presentation**

Mr. Johnson reviewed Mr. Walker's presentation. During the ETTF meeting there was a brief discussion about the Gas Day presentation during which participants asked the task force to consider how real-time scheduling would be effected by an attempt to move to the Gas Day. Mr. Johnson asked if the task force would rather continue with the development of standards requests or pull them off the table to rework them. Mr. Terelmes suggested merging the Day Ahead Trading Period and the Energy Time Zone requests into a single request. Mr. Cox stated the task force should at least discuss a standardized electric day and decide whether it needs to be national or regional. Mr. Terelmes stated the task force should at least discuss whether moving to the gas day would be beneficial to the electric industry. Mr. Schwermann suggested the task force review Mr. Walker's list of things to consider from his presentation. After briefly reviewing the list of things to consider, Mr. Schwermann stated it might be necessary to report to the MOS that the task force could not reach a consensus on this issue.

Ms. McQuade noted reporting lack of consensus on standards development would be a viable response from the ETTF, but stated the task force must formally vote on the course of action before submitting the report to the MOS. Similarly, she noted the MOS and subsequently the WEQ Executive Committee would have to formally approve the ETTF report. She stated this process would provide an adequate record as to why the proposed standard development effort, which appears on the 2003 WEQ Annual Plan, was not undertaken. Accordingly, Mr. Terelmes suggested the ETTF take that next step and vote on whether the 'electric day' should be standardized.

Mr. Johnson moved, seconded by Mr. Terelmes that the task force has determined that annual plan item 4(a) may not be worth moving forward on. As such, the chair will draft language in this regard, post it on the NAESB website for comment and vote on the motion will be taken on May 21<sup>st</sup> during an ETTF meeting. Mr. Oberski abstained. The motion passed with no opposition.

It was decided not to submit the standards requests in light of the above discussion.

### **4. Discuss Annual Plan Item 4(c)**

This item was not discussed.

### **5. Calendar of Meetings**

An ETTF conference call was scheduled for May 21, 2003 (time to be determined).



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### 6. Other Business

No other business was discussed.

### 7. Adjourn

Mr. Cox moved, seconded by Mr. Schwermann to adjourn the meeting on May 7, 2003 at 5:01 p.m. Central.

### 8. Attendees

Name	Company	In Person/Phone
Anderson, Brenda	Bonneville Power	Phone
Bissonette, Victor	Hydro-Quebec Transenergie	In Person
Cox, Phil	AEP	In Person
Frazier, Doug	Chelan PUD	In Person
Goss, Bob	SEPA	In Person
Jackson, Gary	Tennessee Valley Authority	Phone
Johnson, Alan	Mirant	In Person
McQuade, Rae	NAESB	In Person
Murrey, Sandy	WE Energy	Phone
Oberski, Lou	Dominion Energy	In Person
Oncken, Todd	NAESB	In Person
Perlman, Marjorie	Energy East	In Person
Reed, Tony	Southern Company	In Person
Robertson, Barbara	OPG	In Person
Schwermann, Bob	SMUD	In Person
Scott, Gordon	NERC	Phone
Slick, Dave	Salt River Project	Phone
Terelmes, Steve	Ameren Energy	In Person
Walker, Norman	El Paso Natural Gas	In Person