



## North American Energy Standards Board

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**TO:** NAESB Retail Structure Review Committee and Managing Committee Members, and Posting for Interested Parties  
**FROM:** James Cargas, NAESB Deputy Director  
**RE:** Notes from Retail Structure Review Committee Conference Call on Jan. 31, 2006  
**DATE:** February 3, 2006

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Dear NAESB Retail Structure Review Committee and Managing Committee Members,

A Retail Structure Review Committee (RSRC) conference call was held on January 31, 2006. The following notes and assignments resulted from the meeting.

### **Retail Structure Review Committee:**

**Tuesday, January 31, 2006**

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| Administrative:                                  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mr. Cargas reviewed the anti-trust warning and took roll-call. The draft agenda was adopted by consensus.</li></ul>  |
| Preparation for Feb. 11 Advisory Council Mtg.:   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The draft discussion points for the Feb. 11, 2006, Advisory Council meeting and comments from Dominion Virginia Power were reviewed.</li><li>• The discussion points were amended to include a few common reasons for dropping membership. This includes, the stalling of deregulation at the retail/state level resulting in state regulators and utilities not finding value in the choice work product at this time.</li><li>• There was discussion of the inclusion of “net metering” on the list of potential future items. Although there was some opposition to this item, the consensus was to leave it on the list of “pump priming examples” with the understanding that it is not an item that the Committee is endorsing.</li><li>• A discussion was held whether the Retail Quadrants should continue developing business practices, or shift more to a “best practices” approach.</li><li>• The presentation will move quickly through the background items 1-3 and then focus on item 4 where the Advisory Council will be asked for their input.</li><li>• The question that should be answered is, “how do the Retail Quadrants make their work more relevant to attract more members?”</li><li>• The answer should include activities that have applicability in both retail choice states and traditionally regulated states.</li></ul> |
| Preparation for March 22 Retail Leadership Mtg.: | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• A discussion was held on whether to invite non-members including trade associations, like EEI and AGA. This will be decided based on the meetings with these organizations during NARUC’s Winter Meeting.</li><li>• A discussion was held on whether to continue the practice of a Retail Leadership meeting before every Board meeting as done in the Wholesale Electric Quadrant. Such meetings permit more detailed discussions on retail issues not possible in the full Board meeting.</li></ul>  |



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- EEI National Accounts Oct. Workshop: • Mr. Bourbonnais will investigate being added to the agenda for the Edison Electric Institute's (EEI) national account workshop on Oct. 1 to 4 in Hollywood, Florida.
- Other Business: • None.

### Action Items:

- Everyone should send any additional comments to the Advisory Council discussion points to Mr. Bourbonnais no later than Friday, Feb. 3.
- Ms. Kiselewich and Mr. Novak will poll the Retail EC members at their Feb. 22 meeting on which Annual Plan "Future Activities" are likely to be taken up in 2007.
- Mr. Bourbonnais will contact EEI to inquire getting on the agenda for their Oct. 1-4 national accounts workshop in Hollywood, Florida.
- Mr. Novak will contact AGA to inquire about upcoming AGA meetings where NAESB can address their members.
- Mr. Haynes will begin discussing items for the March 22 Retail Leadership meeting agenda with Ms. McQuade.

### Upcoming RSRC Conference Calls and Meetings:

- **Monday, Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>, 10-11am Central (11-12 Eastern)** (President's Day).
- *Wednesday, Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>, Retail EC meeting.*
- **Friday, Mar. 10<sup>th</sup>, 10-11am Central (11-12 Eastern).**
- **Wednesday, Mar. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2-5pm Central, Retail Leadership meeting.**
- *Thursday, Mar. 23<sup>rd</sup>, Board meeting.*

### Attendance:

	<b>Name:</b>	<b>Organization:</b>	<b>Quadrant(s):</b>
1	William Bourbonnais	WPS Resources	REQ, RGQ, WEQ, WGQ
2	James Cargas	NAESB	
3	Mary Edwards	Dominion	
4	Leonard Haynes	Southern Company	REQ, WEQ, WGQ
5	Ruth Kiselewich	Baltimore Gas & Electric	REQ, RGQ, WGQ
6	David Koogler	Dominion	REQ, RGQ, WEQ, WGQ
7	Mike Novak	National Fuel Gas Distribution	RGQ, WGQ
8	Marjorie Perlman	Energy East Management	