

North American Energy Standards Board

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- **TO:** NAESB Gas-Electric Harmonization (GEH) Forum, NAESB Board of Directors, NAESB Advisory Council and posting for interested parties
- FROM: Rae McQuade
- **RE: Revised** Timeline to Address the Consensus Development Directives of the FERC Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on *Coordination of the Scheduling Processes of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines and Public Utilities* issued on March 20, 2014

Dear All,

Please find below the timeline provided with specific dates and times. The revision is shown in a highlighted yellow text.

	Date/Time	Committee & Meeting	Deliverables
~	March 27, 2014 - 9:00 am to 11:00 am Central	Conference Call GEH Committee - Organizational	Planning Session
√	April 1, 2014 – 9:00 am to 11:00 am Central	Conference Call & Web Cast GEH Committee – NAESB Process Review	Review of NAESB voting procedures
√	April 1, 2014 – 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm Central	Conference Call GEH Committee/Forum - Organizational	Vote on abled motion and review deliverables timeline
✓	April 3, 2014 – 9:00 am to 1:00 pm Central	NAESB Board of Directors Meeting	GEH recommendations were made to the board and accepted, including changing the NAESB annual plans to activate GEH related issues and provide guidance to the WGQ Executive Committee to identify and redline standards that would require changes to support the FERC proposal contained in the NOPR and any other recommendations made on April 1
	Beginning April 4, 2014 through July 18, 2014	Wholesale Gas Quadrant (WGQ) Executive Committee (EC) and WGQ subcommittees assigned by the WGQ EC	The NAESB Board of Directors approved the above recommendations, so the work can begin to create a catalog of the existing NAESB WGQ standards that would require modifications to support the FERC proposal contained in the NOPR, including redlining the identified standards to support the FERC proposal

TIMELINE -- SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS¹ AND DELIVERABLES

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**From April 4, 2014 – June 3, 2014	NAESB GEH Forum Meetings, Conference Calls and Requests for Presentations	NAESB GEH Forum Meetings on Alternative Consensus Proposals
June 4, 2014 – 9:00 am to 2:00 pm Central	NAESB Board of Directors Conference Call & Web Cast	Review and Vote on Alternative Consensus Proposal Recommended by Participants of the NAESB Gas-Electric Harmonization Forum

If consensus on an alternative proposal cannot be reached or is not supported by the Board of Directors by June 9, 2014 a status report will be filed with the Commission and no other GEH Forum meetings are needed.

If no consensus is reached, and not otherwise directed by the Board of Directors, the FERC will be notified and no other work is needed until the FERC final rule is issued. Should the final rule support the FERC proposal outlined in the NOPR, the redlined catalog of standards changes will be used as a basis for forming the recommendation and processing through to ratified standards in a ninety day window, unless otherwise noted in the final order.

June 9, 2014	WGQ EC and appropriate subcommittees (WEQ EC and appropriate subcommittees may be involved if WEQ standards are impacted.)	Begin Development of a Recommendation to Support Alternative Consensus Proposal Articulated by the Board of Directors
July 18, 2014	Appropriate subcommittees	Complete Recommendation to Support Consensus Standards completed by appropriate subcommittees and sent out for formal industry comment.
August 18, 2014		Formal Comment Period on Recommendation to Support Consensus Standards Ends
August 22, 2014	WGQ Executive Committee Meeting, Conference Call & Web Cast (WEQ EC may be involved if WEQ standards are impacted.) Dallas, TX	Review Recommendation and any Comments Submitted and Vote on Recommended Consensus Standards
August 22, 2014		Ratification Ballot on Consensus Standards is Distributed to the NAESB Membership
September 22, 2014		Ratification Ballot Period on Consensus Standards is Closed
September 29, 2014		NAESB Staff Files Consensus Standards with the Commission.



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From April 4, 2014 – June 3, 2014 **	GEH Forum Meetings, Conference Calls and Requests for Presentations	GEH Committee Meetings on Alternative Consensus Proposals		
April 4 - 11, 2014	Request for Presenters	Presenters provide notice of intent to present and subject matter		
April 18, 2014	Presentations forwarded to the NAESB office	Presentations posted on the NAESB web site		
April 22, 2014 – 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Central April 23, 2014 - 8:00 am to 2:00 pm Central	GEH face to face meeting in Houston, TX at the Hilton Americas	Begin review of presentation and discussion of alternatives		
May 5, 2014 – 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Central May 6, 2014 - 8:00 am to 2:00 pm Central	GEH face to face meeting in Houston, TX	Continue discussion on alternatives		
May 22, 2014 – 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Central May 23, 2014 - 8:00 am to 2:00 pm Central	GEH face to face meeting in Houston, TX	Continue discussion on alternatives		
June 2, 2014 – 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Central June 3, 2014 - 8:00 am to 2:00 pm Central	GEH face to face meeting in Houston, TX	Complete work on alternative consensus proposals, vote, and prepare recommendation for the Board of Directors		

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