**North American Energy Standards Board**

**Request for Initiation of a NAESB Business Practice Standard, Model Business Practice or Electronic Transaction**

**or**

**Enhancement of an Existing NAESB Business Practice Standard, Model Business Practice or Electronic Transaction**

**Instructions:**

 **1. Please fill out as much of the requested information as possible. It is mandatory to provide a contact name, phone number and fax number to which questions can be directed. If you have an electronic mailing address, please make that available as well.**

 **2. Attach any information you believe is related to the request. The more complete your request is, the less time is required to review it.**

 **3. Once completed, send your request to:**

 **Rae McQuade**

 **NAESB, President**

 **801 Travis, Suite 1675**

 **Houston, TX 77002**

 **Phone: 713‑356‑0060**

 **Fax: 713‑356‑0067**

 **by either mail, fax, or to NAESB’s email address, naesb@naesb.org.**

**Once received, the request will be routed to the appropriate subcommittees for review.**

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 Date of Request: June 9, 2015

1. Submitting Entity & Address:

 Chair and Vice Chair of the WEQ Executive Committee

2. Contact Person, Phone #, Fax #, Electronic Mailing Address

 Name : Kathy York and Bob Harshbarger

 Title : Chair and Vice Chair of the WEQ Executive Committee

1. Title and Description of Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

Title:

Modifications to WEQ-004 Coordinate Interchange Business Practice Standards

Description:

The North American Electric Reliability Corporation is in the process of working with FERC to retire the LSE function from its Compliance Registry. Deleting this function will result in the retirement of several NERC requirements, some of which impact NAESB standards. The retirement of NERC standard INT-011-1 Requirement 1 will impact NAESB standard WEQ-008. This NERC standard was the result of FERC Order 693 which requires the submittal of a Request for Interchange for Intra-Balancing Authority Transactions unless the transaction is otherwise accounted for in congestion management procedures.

NERC has indicated that they believe this requirement is covered in the NAESB WEQ-004 standards. However, the WEQ-004 standards contain requirements proscribing how Requests for Interchange should be submitted, but they do not require the submittal of Request for Interchange for Intra-Balancing Authority Transactions. In the absence of a NERC standard requiring such request, it is important that NAESB consider the development of a standard regarding the use of Requests for Interchange for Intra-Balancing Authority Transactions to ensure the effectiveness of the bulk power grid’s congestion management tools.

The former NERC standard in INT-011-1, R. 1 states …”Each LSE that uses Point to Point Transmission Service for Intra-BA Area transfers shall submit a Request for Interchange unless the information about intra-BA transfers is included in congestion management procedure(s) via an alternate method.”

This particular standard is needed to support the NAESB work on Parallel Flow Visualization project which has been coordinated with NERC and with the IDC Association. Without the existence of such a requirement for Intra-BA transaction information, the PFV standard will not be effective nor produce the results that were envisioned in the Parallel Flow Visualization project.

In addition, the requirement is needed for the TLR process so that the Interchange Distribution Calculator (IDC) can accurately calculate curtailments for appropriate and equitable congestion management.

4. Use of Proposed Standard or Enhancement (include how the standard will be used, documentation on the description of the proposed standard, any existing documentation of the proposed standard and required communication protocols):

The standard will be used by the industry in a comparable manner to the current NERC Reliability Standard.

5. Description of Any Tangible or Intangible Benefits to the Use of the Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

The inclusion of Intra-Balancing Authority Transactions in RFIs will ensure that the IDC more accurately calculates transmission curtailments for congestion management.

6. Estimate of Incremental Specific Costs to Implement Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

None

7. Description of Any Specific Legal or Other Considerations:

None8. If This Proposed Standard or Enhancement Is Not Tested Yet, List Trading Partners Willing to Test Standard or Enhancement (Corporations and contacts):

N/A

9. If This Proposed Standard or Enhancement Is in Use, Who are the Trading Partners:

N/A

10. Attachments (such as : further detailed proposals, transaction data descriptions, information flows, implementation guides, business process descriptions, examples of ASC ANSI X12 mapped transactions):

N/A