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2004 WGQ Annual Plan Revised by the Executive Committee – November 18, 2004

| Item Description | Completion ¹ | Assignment |
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| Gas-Electric Scheduling Activities | | |
| 1 Status Report on Gas-Electric scheduling coordination issues. Status: Complete | 3 rd Qtr 2004 | Gas-Electric Coordination TF |
| Standards Implementation | | |
| 2 Review and develop necessary standards for FERC Order 2004 (Affiliate Order). Status: Complete | 2 nd Qtr 2004 | Business Practices Subcommittee |
| Electronic Delivery Mechanisms and Related Activities | | |
| 3 Preparation of documents and submission of EDM standards to ANSI for approval as ANSI standards. | 4 th Qtr 2004 | EDM Subcommittee |
| 4 Explore additional possibilities for partnership with the Department of Energy. Sandia Review of security and reliability of NAESB EDM Standards. Status: Pending, Discussion Underway | 4 th Qtr 2004 | EC Officers |
| 5 Review and enhance security standards as required by technological changes. Review security standards as may be deemed necessary, e.g. Public Key Infrastructure (PKI). Status: Pending, Discussion Underway | 4 th Qtr 2004 | EDM Subcommittee WEQ Coordination |
| 6 Review of minimum technical characteristics in Appendices C, D, and E of the EDM Manual. Status: Complete | 3 rd Qtr 2004 | EDM Subcommittee |
| 7 Prepare a common NAESB Electronic Transport (ET) and WGQ Quadrant Electronic Delivery Mechanism (WGQ QEDM) manuals using the version 1.6 NAESB WGQ EDM tab 6 and applicable 4.x.x standards as a base. Status: Pending, Discussion Underway included on 2005 Annual | 4 th Qtr 2004 | EDM Subcommittee |

¹ Dates in the completion column are by end of the quarter for completion by the assigned committee. The dates do not necessarily mean that the standards are fully staffed so as to be implementable by the industry, and/or ratified by membership. If one item is completed earlier than planned, another item can begin earlier and possibly complete earlier than planned. There are no begin dates on the plan.



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| Plan. | | |
| Gas Quality Activities | | |
| 8 Establish web-based reports for tracking all physical and chemical properties of natural gas defined in pipeline tariffs (R03035, Item A) | 3 rd Qtr. 2004 | Business Practices Subcommittee |
| Status: Complete | | |
| Contracts Activities | | |
| 9 Review and develop ISDA Gas Annex. | 4 th Qtr. 2004 | Contracts Subcommittee |
| Status: Complete | | |
| Provisional Activities² | | |
| Subsequent FERC orders – Docket No. RM 96-1 (Creditworthiness) | | |
| Program of Standards Maintenance & Fully Staffed Standards Work³ | | |
| Business Practice Requests | Ongoing | Assigned by the EC on a request by request basis |
| Continue review against plan for migration to ANSI ASC X12 new versions as needed and coordinate such activities with DISA. | Ongoing | ANSI (X12) Subcommittee |
| Information Requirements and Technical Mapping of Business Practices | Ongoing | Assigned by the EC on a request by request basis |
| Ongoing Interpretations for Clarifying Language Ambiguities | Ongoing | Assigned by the EC on a request by request basis |
| Ongoing Maintenance of Code Values and Other Technical Matters | Ongoing | Assigned by the EC on a request by request basis |

² To the extent that it is determined that any of the provisional activities should be worked upon during the year as a result of a specific request for standards development or a FERC action, the Board has the discretion to modify the annual plan. Additionally, provisional activities will remain on the Annual Plan for one year pending the filing of a formal request or a decision to add them to the plan as active items.

³ This work is considered routine maintenance and thus the items are not separately numbered.



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- Notes:
- (a) Priority is given to action items that are carry-overs from the 2003 Annual Plan.
 - (b) Any new activity should be preceded by a request from the submitter after which the annual plan will be revisited. The provisional items would only be addressed after a request is submitted or an order is issued by the FERC.