January 18, 2007

TO: Interested Parties in the Electric, Gas, and Oil Industries and Industry Trade Organizations (AOPL, AGA, INGAA, EPSA, EEI, ELCON, APPA, APGA, NRECA, NEMA, NGSA, IPAA, NERC, IRC, TIA)

FROM: Rae McQuade, NAESB President

RE: Meeting on e-Tariff Development

An industry meeting has been scheduled on Thursday, February 1, 2007 from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM Eastern for the electric, gas, and oil industries to meet in order to begin the process of helping develop an e-Tariff program that would allow tariff and rate schedule revisions to FERC to include sufficient metadata to permit these filings to loaded into a database.

FERC staff recently requested NAESB support to determine a set of standards, data formats or guidelines for submittal of tariff and rate schedule revisions that would provide FERC with sufficient information to create an e-Tariff database. The database would contain tariffs and rate schedules, organized either by sheets as they are today, or by sections if more acceptable to the industry so that they and the industry can easily see the portions of the tariff that are effective, the proposed changes and the status on the proposed changes. FERC staff has indicated that they are willing to not use previously developed software for the e-tariff system if a solution can be proposed that meets their requirements and has industry support. NAESB is coordinating with the Association of Oil Pipelines to ensure that any NAESB recommended action that would address wholesale gas and wholesale electric tariff filings, would not be inconsistent with any solutions proposed to address oil pipeline filings.

The specifics of the meeting are:

WHEN: Thursday, February 1, 2007 – 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM Eastern

WHERE: FERC Commission Meeting Room
         FERC Offices, 888 First Street, N.E., Washington, DC  20426

This meeting is an open meeting. Any interested party is eligible to attend. If you plan to attend, please RSVP to the NAESB office (naesb@naesb.org) by January 26 with the following contact information: your name, the organization you are representing, email address and phone number. If you are unable to attend but would like to be put on our distribution for this effort, please send in the same contact information and indicate that you should be added to the distribution list. All confirmed attendees will be added to the distribution list unless they specifically indicate that they do not want to receive e-Tariff information from NAESB.

NAESB will post all e-Tariff related information on its site at the following address (http://www.naesb.org/etariff.asp). Please note that any interested party can access this address.

With Best Regards,

Rae McQuade
NORTH AMERICAN ENERGY STANDARDS BOARD
February 1, 2007 – 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM Eastern

AGENDA

10:00 AM  1. Opening Remarks
10:30 AM  2. Administrative
  • Housekeeping
  • Antitrust Guidance
10:45 AM  3. Background on e-Tariff presented by Commission Staff
11:15 AM  4. Requirements for e-Tariff presented by Commission Staff
11:45 AM  5. Comments from Association of Oil Pipelines

Lunch – 12:15 pm to 1:15 pm

1:15 PM  6. Comments from INGAA
1:45 PM  7. Comments from EEI
2:15 PM  8. Comments from Texas Pipeline Association (Invited)
2:45 PM  9. Plan for Addressing Needs of Industry and FERC
3:15 PM  10. Organization, Tasks and Assignments
3:45 PM  11. Next Steps and Meetings
4:00 PM  12. Adjourn