Dear Members of the Wholesale Electric Quadrant,

As you may know, on May 16, 2019 the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (Commission) issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR) in Docket No. RM05-5-027 proposing to revise its regulations to incorporate by reference the NAESB WEQ Version 003.2 Business Practice Standards, with certain exceptions.\(^1\) The following NAESB WEQ Version 003.2 Business Practice Standards were identified in the NOPR:

- WEQ-000, Abbreviations, Acronyms, and Definition of Terms
- WEQ-001, Open Access Same-Time Information System (OASIS), with the exception of Standards 001-9 (preamble), 001-14.1.3, 001-15.1.2 and 001-106.2.5
- WEQ-002, OASIS Business Practice Standards and Communication Protocols (S&CP)
- WEQ-003, OASIS Data Dictionary Business Practice Standards
- WEQ-004, Coordinate Interchange
- WEQ-005, Area Control Error Equation Special Cases
- WEQ-007, Inadvertent Interchange Payback
- WEQ-008, Transmission Loading Relief (TLR) – Eastern Interconnection
- WEQ-011, Gas/Electric Coordination
- WEQ-012, Public Key Infrastructure (PKI)
- WEQ-013, OASIS Implementation Guide
- WEQ-015, Measurement and Verification of Wholesale Electricity Demand Response
- WEQ-021, Measurement and Verification of Energy Efficiency Products

Comments on the NOPR are due 60 days after publication in the Federal Register and must include a reference to the Docket No. R05-5-027, the commenter’s name, the organization they represent, if applicable, and their address.\(^2\)

This body of work represents a culmination of significant effort by the industry, and NAESB would like to thank everyone who contributed by participating in development of the standards that are the subject of this NOPR.

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\(^1\) FERC Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Standards for Business Practices and Communication Protocols for Public Utilities in Docket No. RM05-5-027 can be accessed through the following hyperlink: https://naesb.org/pdf4/ferc051619_nopr_naesb_weq_v003.2_rm05-5-027.pdf.

\(^2\) In the NOPR, the Commission notes that the WEQ Version 003.2 Standards build upon the standards included in the WEQ Version 003.1 Standards and include, in their entirety, the modifications submitted to the Commission in WEQ Version 003.1. Since the WEQ Version 003.1 Standards were the subject of an earlier notice of proposed rulemaking, the Commission has requested that comments already filed on the revisions made by NAESB in the WEQ Version 003.1 Standards not be replicated in response to this NOPR.
With Best Regards,

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