##### April 18, 2016

**TO:** All Interested Parties

**FROM:** Caroline Trum, NAESB Deputy Director

**RE: FERC eForms Refresh and NAESB FERC Forms Subcommittee Update**

The NAESB WEQ/WGQ FERC Forms Subcommittee last met on March 24, 2016. During the meeting, the subcommittee reviewed documentation provided by FERC staff regarding FERC Form 1, including a field analysis and basic sample XML, and sample XML for several representative schedules in FERC Form 1 created by the subcommittee co-chairs. Based on the meeting discussions, the subcommittee co-chairs developed draft sample XML developer instructions, and meeting participants were asked to submit work papers containing sample XML for additional FERC Form 1 schedules. These sample XML documents will be reviewed by the subcommittee participants at the meeting on April 19, 2016.

On April 15, 2016, the FERC issued the [*Order Instituting Proceeding to Develop Electronic Filing Protocols for Commission Forms*](https://naesb.org/pdf4/ferc041615_electronic_filing_protocols_forms.pdf) in Docket No. AD15-11-000. Included in the order was a proposal to transition the current filing format for various FERC Forms, Visual FoxPro, to the Extensible Mark-Up Language (XML) file format. Citing the success of the industry’s collaboration through NAESB during the electronic tariff (eTariff) filings project, the Commission, in the order, proposed the use of the NAESB process for the development of the XML format for the form submittal. In response, the NAESB Board of Directors initiated the work of the WEQ/WGQ FERC Forms Subcommittee.