##### June 14, 2022

**TO:** All Interested Parties

**FROM:** Elizabeth Mallett, NAESB Director of Wholesale Gas and Retail Markets Quadrants

**RE: Wholesale Electric Quadrant (WEQ) OASIS Subcommittee Activities**

On June 21-22, 2022, the WEQ OASIS Subcommittee will hold its next meeting to discuss two remaining items on the 2022 WEQ Annual Plan and review any formal comments submitted on a recommendation addressing Concomitant Business Practice Standards. If the proposed standards for the items are voted out during the meeting, they will be posted for a thirty-day formal industry comment period and subsequently reviewed by the WEQ Executive Committee in October. First, the subcommittee will continue to discuss and possibly vote on language concerning the profile changes that occur on OASIS as a result of the Preemption and Right of First Refusal (ROFR) process. The modified standards language that will be presented during the June meeting will propose the addition of two flags which will provide clarity where an extension of service for a redirected transmission service request occurs or a service on a transmission service request has been transformed into a different service increment. Next, the subcommittee will discuss and possibly vote on the addition of a footnote or a similar indicator to the Preemption and ROFR Process Table 25-3 Priorities for Competing Reservations or Requests. This effort began with Standards Request R21005 that was submitted by Southern Company and requested a review of the table to identify any description changes necessary in order to account for competition between firm and non-firm requests or reservations. Specifically, Rows 4 through 6 of Table 25-3 may not apply to all Transmission Provider operation models, as a firm challenger preempting a nonfirm defender would not create capacity to accept a firm challenge in every system. As stated, the participants will review and possibly vote on proposed language to add a footnote or another indicator during the June meeting.

Also during the June meeting, the participants will review any comments submitted in response to a recently developed no action recommendation. In April, the WEQ OASIS Subcommittee approved a no action recommendation in response to an annual plan item concerning Concomitant Business Practice Standards. In the recommendation the subcommittee participants explained that there is a lack of industry support to move forward with the effort and stated that there is no business purpose to modify the standards. One supportive comment was received from the WEQ Standards Review Subcommittee during the thirty-day formal comment period that concluded in mid-May. The no action recommendation and the formal comment will be reviewed by the WEQ Executive Committee in October.

On June 13th, the NAESB office sent out a Triage Action Pending Announcement for Standards Request R22002, a request submitted by Southern Company that asks NAESB to review FERC Order No. 881 in order to implement ambient-adjusted ratings on the transmission lines to improve the accuracy and transparency of electric transmission line ratings. If the recommended triage disposition is accepted, R22002 will be assigned to the WEQ OASIS Subcommittee to be addressed in the normal course of business.

In a major effort, the WEQ OASIS Subcommittee unanimously approved a cross-reference table for the OASIS suite of standards. The cross reference was developed over seventeen subcommittee meetings and provides a central location to identify and document those Business Practice Standards that are associated with one another across the OASIS Business Practice Standards WEQ-001, WEQ-002, and WEQ-013. The cross-reference table will be treated similar to the Matrix of WGQ standards, with the WEQ Executive Committee considering the document for endorsement and posting on the NAESB website. As the document is not a Business Practice Standard, it will not be posted for formal industry comment or ratified by the NAESB membership.