**1. RECOMMENDED ACTION: EFFECT OF EC VOTE TO ACCEPT RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

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|  | Accept as requested | X | Change to Existing Practice |
| X | Accept as modified below |  | Status Quo |
|  | Decline |  |  |

**2. TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT/MAINTENANCE**

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| **Per Request:** | | **Per Recommendation:** | |
|  | Initiation |  | Initiation |
| X | Modification | X | Modification |
|  | Interpretation |  | Interpretation |
|  | Withdrawal |  | Withdrawal |
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|  | Principle |  | Principle |
|  | Definition |  | Definition |
|  | Business Practice Standard |  | Business Practice Standard |
| X | Document | X | Document |
|  | Data Element |  | Data Element |
|  | Code Value |  | Code Value |
|  | X12 Implementation Guide |  | X12 Implementation Guide |
|  | Business Process Documentation |  | Business Process Documentation |

**3. RECOMMENDATION**

**SUMMARY:**

Review annually at a minimum the accreditation WEQ-012 and the accreditation requirements for Authorized Certification Authorities to determine if any changes are needed to meet market conditions

**Recommended Standards:**

Proposed modifications to the NAESB Accreditation Requirements for Authorized Certification Authorities: <https://www.naesb.org/member_login_check.asp?doc=weq_2017_api_4a_rec_attach.docx>

**4. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION**

**a. Description of Request:**

2017 WEQ Annual Plan Item 4.a – Review annually at a minimum WEQ-012 and the accreditation requirements for Authorized Certification Authorities to determine if any changes are needed to meet market conditions

**b. Description of Recommendation:**

The proposed revisions modify Section 2.2.2 Authentication of Subscribers to provide new mappings for the identity proofing process methods. Section 3.7.1 is modified to remove a requirement relating to action NAESB may take as this is adequately addressed by the Authorized Certification Authority Process. Additional changes are made throughout the recommendation to correct the usage of the terms subscriber, applicant, and end entity.

**c. Business Purpose:**

NIST revised the previous guidelines used to map to the identity proofing process methods. The subcommittee did not want the specification to reference outdated documents.

**d. Commentary/Rationale of Subcommittee(s)/Task Force(s):**

Please see the minutes from the following meetings:

July 19, 2017

September 7, 2017

September 19, 2017

October 12, 2017