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September

9/1 - Holiday - Labor Day (NAESB Closed)
9/2 - WEQ BPS WICM Working Group Call
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10/8 - RMQ Annual Plan Subcommittee Call
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10/15 - NAESB Update Call
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10/22 - Joint WGQ IR/Tech Subcommittee Meeting
10/22 - WEQ Executive Committee Meeting
10/23 - RMQ Executive Committee Meeting
10/23 - WGQ Executive Committee Meeting
10/30 - Joint WEQ BPS, RMQ BPS Call

2026 Annual Planning Process:

NAESB is in the process of developing the 2026 Annual Plans which will guide wholesale electric, wholesale gas, and retail markets standard development activities for the upcoming year. The planning process kicked-off on October 8 with meetings of the WEQ, WGQ, and RMQ Annual Plan Subcommittees to develop initial proposals.

In addition to the standing annual plan items to undertake an annual cybersecurity review, the Annual Plan Subcommittees from all three quadrants determined to carry forward gas and electric market coordination items. In 2025, the WEQ and RMQ included an item to consider standards in this area as part of their active plans, while the WGQ opted to make this a provisional activity. For consistency with the WGQ, the WEQ and RMQ Annual Plan Subcommittees moved these items to provisional for next year. As noted in industry submitted comments and discussed by each Annual Plan Subcommittee, there are a number of ongoing industry and regulatory gas-electric that may result in recommendations that could have implications for NAESB. These include the recent energy related Executive Orders and forthcoming National Petroleum Council (NPC) report on its Future Energy Systems Study. Per the request of the U.S. Department of Energy, the study is anticipated to include recommendations that can help prevent or mitigate risks to the reliability of natural gas and electric systems through stronger market alignment.

Additionally, there may be forthcoming action from FERC in this area. On October 16, 2025, FERC issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR) in Docket No. RM96-1-044 proposing to adopt into regulation, through its incorporation by reference process, the WGQ Business Practice Standards developed to support coordination between the natural gas and electric markets. In the NOPR, the Commission asked for comments on its proposal, and as part of a concurring statement, Commissioner Chang requested stakeholders also include feedback on areas where additional coordination may be beneficial. She encouraged NAESB and industry stakeholders to continue work to further enhance information-sharing standards, "…potentially including providing information related to the natural gas scheduled by generators that are not directly connected to interstate pipelines." As has been done in the past, any action from regulators will be considered by the Board of Directors.

Specific to the 2026 WEQ Annual Plan, highlights include the consideration of standards to support third-party software verification and industry implementation of NERC Supply Chain Risk Management Reliability Standards as required by FERC Order No. 912 as well as new or modified standards, as necessary to support greater consistency in rounding methodologies used as part of commercial scheduling and transmission management operations. Additionally, the plan includes a review of the OASIS-related WEQ Business Practice Standards to make modifications based on implementation and operational experiences since the adoption of WEQ Version 004. Within the RMQ, the major area of focus for 2026 will be the continuation of joint efforts with the WEQ related to the distribute energy resources (DERs). Currently, retail and wholesale electric market participants are considering the development of business practice standards to support the integration of DER and DER aggregation registries by industry. For the wholesale gas, new to the 2026 WGQ Annual Plan is the consideration of modifications to existing business practices that could streamline technical implementation processes and promote greater consistency among industry participants regarding data element usage. The plan also includes a provisional activity to support industry use of the NAESB Base Contract for Sale and Purchase of Hydrogen through the development of electronic datasets and other technical implementation details.

In September, the NAESB office distributed an announcement ahead of the Annual Plan Subcommittee meetings that included a request for industry feedback and suggestions for items to be considered in drafting the annual plan proposals. The received comments were reviewed by the Annual Plan Subcommittees and informed the development of the proposed 2026 Annual Plans, which were considered by the Executive Committees during their October 22 – 23 meetings.

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NAESB Hydrogen Contract:

Marking the completion of a multi-year effort, the WGQ completed development of a new standardized contract, the NAESB Base Contract for Sale and Purchase of Hydrogen (NAESB Hydrogen Contract), a Canadian Addendum to support cross-border transactions, and a Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) document intended to provide additional clarity around the contract's use. The standardized terms and conditions can be used by parties entering into contract negotiations, establishing a baseline for counterparty negotiations that can help to reduce uncertainties and add new efficiencies to the contracting process. (*continued*)

NAESB Hydrogen Contract (continued):

In total, 122 individuals representing 93 different companies participated in the drafting process, which leveraged existing NAESB standardized contracts and addenda, such as the Base Contract for the Sale and Purchase of Natural Gas, the Certified Gas Addendum, and the Master Agreement for Purchase, Sale or Exchange of Liquid Hydrocarbons. The NAESB Hydrogen Contract contains provisions that address unique characteristics of transacting for hydrogen, such as environmental aspects and transportation. Specifically included are terms and conditions that support include optionality for bundled and unbundled transactions with energy attribute certificates that can be used to facilitate book and claim or trace and claim programs, similar to those used in the renewable energy certificate market. It also includes provisions for the identification of carbon intensity values of the commodity and the protocols that were selected to calculate these values to support transactions for hydrogen that may not fit within specific "color wheel" categories of hydrogen. These new terms and conditions are intended to provide a framework for deal structures that not only exist today but are expected to evolve in the future.

The recommendation adopted by the WGQ Executive Committee as part of its October meeting was the second iteration of draft contract developed by the WGQ Contracts Subcommittee. In June, the WGQ Executive Committee remanded back to the subcommittee a prior draft version, with direction to consider additional revisions to address issues raised as part of the formal comment period. This included the consideration of a Canadian Addendum and FAQ document, the incorporation of an opt-out provision for carbon intensity values, and revisions to enhance clarity and market applicability of the standardized terms and conditions.

The formal comment period on the revised recommendation ended on October 3, 2025. NAESB received one set of comments proposing minor, non-substantive changes as well as comments from four entities in support of the effort and encouraging adoption of the draft standardized contract. These comments cited NAESB's past success in convening diverse market participants to reach consensus around contracting frameworks, noted the criticality of standardized contracting structures to build confidence in emerging markets and help accelerate commercial adoption, and highlighted the potential benefits of adoption and use, suggesting the NAESB Hydrogen Contract could act as a market mechanism to streamline the transaction process, and better enable competitiveness in global markets.

Distributed Energy Resources Activities:

As part of a joint effort between NAESB wholesale and retail electric participants to support the integration of distributed energy resources (DERs), the WEQ and RMQ Business Practices Subcommittees (BPS) continue to hold regular meetings to consider the development of standards that could help facilitate industry use of registries to share DER and aggregation data. Currently, the subcommittees are evaluating how NAESB Business Practice Standards in this area could aid coordination efforts between market participants, better enable interoperability between a registry and existing systems, and address gaps in existing guidance. The participants are in the process of developing use cases to identify areas of industry priority for standardization as they work to establish the scope and direction of standards development.

In recent meetings, the WEQ/RMQ BPS have noted that there are number of operational and market processes reliant upon the availability and accuracy of DER information and discussed the concept of a registry as a single point of truth to validate DER-related information. Participants. In August, at the request of WEQ/RMQ BPS leadership, NERC staff participated in the joint subcommittee meeting to share information on recent NERC efforts to support DERs. Reviewed as part of the call were two NERC White Papers as well as effort to respond to FERC Order No. 901 Reliability Standards to Address Inverter-Based Resources. The FERC Order includes a number of directives for the development of NERC Reliability Standards to address bulk electric grid impacts related to inverter-based resources, both utility scale and behind-the-meter resources, including incorporation of DER-related information into transmission system planning and modeling processes. Leadership extended the invitation at the suggestion of WEQ/RMQ BPS participants who identified the effort as an area of potential coordination with NERC. (*continued*)

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Distributed Energy Resources Activities (continued):

As provided during the meeting, the NERC White Papers Transmission and Distribution Coordination Strategies and Reducing DER Variability and Uncertainty White Papers include recommendations for collaborative DER information sharing practices between transmission and distribution entities through use of a registry to house relevant DER related data. Participants also discussed how a registry could support data reporting reliability requirements developed as part of revisions to NERC MOD-032 Data for Power System Modeling and Analysis as well as help prevent double counting. Participants noted that similar information about a DER and DER aggregations would likely also be needed by industry to carry out other processes as well, such as performance validation and settlement, operational control functions, interconnection, and regulatory reporting and compliance processes, like for FERC Order No. 2222 Participation of Distributed Energy Resource Aggregations in Markets Operated by Regional Transmission Organizations and Independent System Operators and state-level rulemakings. There have also been suggestions that a registry could support cybersecurity needs by acting as a central location to house DER data needed by system operators to help identify vulnerabilities, mitigate threats, and protect sensitive information, such as device type, location, and manufacturer information.

The WEQ/RMQ BPS have two additional joint meetings scheduled for this year, to be held on November 17 and December 8, and are working on a meeting schedule for 2026.

Additionally, NAESB is pleased to announce the completion of the second phase of standard efforts to support the NAESB Base Contract for Sale and Purchase of Distribution Grid Services from DER Aggregations (NAESB Distribution Grid Services Base Contract). This standardized contract, developed by NAESB in response to a request from the U.S. Department of Energy, supports bilateral negotiations between distribution utilities and DER aggregators for grid service transactions subject to state or local jurisdiction.

In October, the RMQ Executive Committee approved new RMQ Distributed Ledger Technology (DLT) Business Practice Standards that will allow parties to create a digitized version of the NAESB Distribution Grid Services Base Contract that can be used to conduct transactions on distributed ledgers. In developing the recommendation, the RMQ was able to leverage existing NAESB DLT Business Practice Standards, such as those supporting the NAESB standardized contracts for the sale and purchase of natural gas and voluntary renewable energy certificates. The member ratification period for the new standards ends December 2, 2025. If ratified, the standards will be considered final actions and available for industry use alongside the NAESB Distribution Grid Services Base Contract.

Western Interconnection Congestion Management Activities:

NAESB is pleased to announce the completion of standards development efforts to support a new, comprehensive congestion management process, Western Interconnection Loading Relief (WLR), for the West. The WEQ Business Practice Standards provide the framework for the WLR Process, including requirements to help ensure equity, transparency, and consistency in industry implementation. The coordinated, flow-based WLR Process, enabled by the WEQ Business Practice Standards, is anticipated to increase visibility of sources contributing to areas of constraint, including those that cause loop flows, and to expand curtailment capabilities, improving efficiencies in resolving congestion across the interconnection.

The NAESB WLR Business Practice Standards establish a standardized methodology that will utilize real-time data to assign the priority for curtailments and relief obligations priorities to transactions materially impacting an area of constraint on the bulk electric grid. As proposed, the WLR Process will issue curtailments and relief obligations pro-rata, based The NAESB WLR Business Practice Standards establish a standardized methodology that will utilize real-time data to assign the priority for curtailments and relief obligations priorities to transactions materially impacting an area of constraint on the bulk electric grid.

A number of participants representing a variety of market interests within the Western Interconnection participated in the NAESB effort. Throughout standards development, NAESB coordinated with both NERC and the Western Electricity Coordinating Council (WECC), the regional entity designated by NERC to oversee bulk electric system reliability for the Western Interconnection. WECC staff regularly participated in the working group created by the WEQ Business Practices Subcommittee (BPS) to develop the recommendation. The member ratification period for the new and revised WEQ Business Practice Standards adopted by the WEQ Executive Committee ends December 2, 2025. If ratified, the standards will be considered final actions and included in the next version of the WEQ Business Practice Standards.

NERC Coordination:

NAESB and NERC continue to actively engage in coordination efforts to support the wholesale electric industry in areas with overlapping reliability and commercial considerations. Assisting with these efforts is the WEQ Standards Review Subcommittee (SRS), which reviews NERC Reliability Standards development projects to identify opportunities for potential coordination and flag those that could impact requirements within the WEQ Business Practice Standards. In August, at the direction of the NAESB Managing Committee, feedback was provided to NERC staff on thirteen areas of reliability development to monitor for potential coordination considerations. The WEQ SRS developed the feedback as part of its review of the draft NERC 2026 – 2028 Reliability Standards Development Plan (RSDP), a yearly effort undertaken by the subcommittee.

Specifically, participants noted several NERC projects related to the development of reliability requirements for inverter-based resources (IBRs) and distributed energy resources (DERs) as an area where complementary business practices and reliability requirements may be beneficial for industry integration and use of such resources. The participants also identified four NERC cybersecurity-related projects to develop new or revised Critical Infrastructure Protection Reliability Standards, including efforts regarding risk management for third-party cloud services and internal network security monitoring. Finally, the participants noted that the development of reliability requirements for facility ratings should continue to be monitored to ensure consistency between any new or revised requirements and related WEQ Business Practice Standards as well as NERC efforts to revise reliability requirements to support energy assurance and fuel-security for reliable operations of the bulk power grid.

NAESB Board and Board Committees Update:

The Board of Directors held its second meeting of the year on September 4, 2025. Guest speakers included former EU Commissioner for Energy Andris Piebalgs, who shared his thoughts on the future of the EU methane rules and their impact on international liquified natural gas markets, and Maia Scheller, Vice President at ICF, who presented on the July ICF report, America's Growing Electricity Demand. This also served as NAESB's annual Meeting of the Members and Strategic Session, during which members of the Board, NAESB Advisory Council, and invited guests provided perspectives on areas of focus the organization may want to consider in the future.

As part of regular business, the Board of Directors evaluated current financial status and membership levels, discussed progress on standards efforts, and reviewed activities underway by NAESB Board committees. This included efforts by the Board Strategy Committee to update the NAESB Strategic Plan for 2025 – 2027 and consider if there are activities NAESB could undertake in response to recommendations for standards development made in the National Petroleum Council report, Charting the Course: Reducing the GHG Emissions from the U.S. Natural Gas Supply Chain. Ahead of the Board of Directors meeting, the Board Revenue Committee met to review communication efforts, the publication schedules, and revenue generation.

The final Board of Directors meeting for the year is scheduled for December 11, 2025. During the meeting, the Board of Directors will consider and vote to finalize the proposed 2026 Annual Plans, the recommendation from the Board Strategy Committee on updates to the NAESB Strategic Plan, and the 2026 budget. The Board Revenue Committee and Board Strategy Committee are in the process of scheduling calls in advance of the Board meeting.

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Cybersecurity:

The cybersecurity of the transactions that the NAESB Business Practice Standards supports is critical for a reliable commercial market for the natural gas and electric industries. In recognition, the cybersecurity protections included in the standards are always a key area of focus, evidenced by the proactive, annual assessments NAESB undertakes to help ensure the business practices continue to meet industry needs and support secure electronic commercial communications. In October, the WEQ, WGQ, and RMQ Executive Committees each approved modifications and revisions developed as part of this year's reviews.

On October 22, a new version of the Accreditation Requirements for Authorized Certification Authorities (ACAs) became effective, following adoption by the WEQ Executive Committee. This document supports the NAESB Certification Program for ACAs by defining the technical requirements used by a NAESB ACA to issue WEQ-012 Public Key Infrastructure (PKI) digital certificates.

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Cybersecurity (continued):

The revisions include the deprecation of an obsolete encryption methodology and outdated cryptographic modules used as part of digital certificate generation and are aligned with broader, general industry guidance from the National Institute of Standards and Technology and the Certificate Authority/Browser Forum regarding the issuance of PKI digital certificates. These changes will help ensure NAESB ACAs continue to create and issue WEQ-012 PKI digital certificates in a secure manner reflective of evolving industry cybersecurity needs. Under FERC regulations, jurisdictional entities participating in the wholesale electric market are required to use WEQ-012 PKI digital certificates to protect and access certain applications, such as OASIS nodes, e-Tagging systems, and the NAESB Electric Industry Registry.

The WGQ and RMQ Executive Committees both considered recommendations proposing changes to their respective Cybersecurity and Quadrant Electronic Delivery Mechanism (EDM) Business Practice Standards. For both the WGQ and RMQ, modifications within the cybersecurity-related standards were made to update internet protocol technical guidance, correct outdated or obsolete citations, and make minor language changes for consistency purposes. Additionally, a cross-reference was added to better clarify that use of both the cybersecurity-related and EDM-related standards are necessary to help protect the electronic transmission of data.

The membership ratification period for the WGQ Business Practice Standards ends on November 24, 2025. The membership ratification period for the RMQ Business Practice Standards ends on December 2, 2025.

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Copyright/NAESB Standards Access:

NAESB copyrights its work products – a practice used by most standards organizations. As such, NAESB retains its rights to publication, reproduction, display, and distribution. As part of their benefits, NAESB members may obtain materials free of charge, but those benefits do not extend to their agents, affiliates or subsidiaries without prior approval and waivers from the NAESB office. Damages for copyright infringement can be significant, including fines, injunctions, the impounding of materials, the seizure of property, and awards of punitive damages. At the same time, NAESB is very liberal in its policies towards sharing information and has granted waivers to regulators and educational institutions depending on the intended use. There is also a process by which anyone can request a three-day waiver to review the work products, as they consider whether they should purchase them. Waivers for longer periods can also be granted depending on use. NAESB's control of copyrighted material provides a small revenue stream which offsets some of its standards development expenses and thus those of its members in the creation of the work products. More importantly, as entities must come to NAESB for its standards material, it assures that they will have access to the most current version.

Non-member Access/Participation: For our participants who are non-members, from the NAESB Home Page you can access one of the four quadrant squares – wholesale electric, retail electric, wholesale gas and retail gas, you are directed to the "NAESB Non-member Access: NAESB Committees, Subcommittees and Task Forces" web page. *For more information, please go to NAESB Current Committee Activities or contact NAESB Staff (naesb@naesb.org) for additional information.*

WGQ Contracting Activities:

In July, WGQ membership ratified a new version of the Renewable Natural Gas (RNG) Addendum that supports market developments since the initial drafting of the standardized addendum and ensures consistency with the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Biogas Regulatory Reform Rule (BRRR), improving the addendum's usability across a wide range of RNG transactions.

The revised RNG Addendum shifts Renewable Identification Number (RIN) tracking responsibility to RNG producers at the point of biogas conversion and includes provisions for RIN transfers prior to physical delivery of gas, pricing flexibility tied to market-based credit values, and optional carbon intensity terms to support evolving program needs. The RNG Addendum is expected to increase the accuracy and reliability of RIN generation and tracking, as well as providing flexibility in RIN transfers. Additional updates to the revision include removal of outdated storage requirements, modification and update of terminology to match EPA definitions, and compatibility with the use of EPA's Moderated Transaction System (EMTS). The use of EMTS is expected to enhance auditability and transparency by reducing reliance on manual processes.

Following completion of the recommendation for the NAESB Base Contract for Sale and Purchase of Hydrogen, the WGQ Contracting Subcommittee began review of a new request for standards development, submitted by General Index LLC, proposing modifications to the NAESB Base Contract for Sale and Purchase of Natural Gas and the Canadian Addendum to the Base Contract for Sale and Purchase of Natural Gas. Specifically, the request proposed updates to Section 2.25: Spot Price Publication of the Base Contract and Canadian Addendum to include General Index as one of the pricing indices referenced in the standardized contract and addendum. Based on discussions during the September and October subcommittee meetings, the requester determined to withdraw the request at this time.

WEQ Activities Supporting OASIS and e-Tag Transactions:

NAESB continues with efforts to consider the development of standards that can improve efficiency, transparency, and coordination of commercial scheduling and transmission management efforts, such as those conducted on OASIS nodes and conducted through electronic tag (e-Tag) transactions.

At its October 22 meeting, the WEQ Executive Committee approved two no action recommendations developed by the WEQ Coordinate Interchange Scheduling Subcommittee (CISS). The first recommendation resulted from an evaluation of whether new standards or a new e-Tag transaction type could help address scheduling complexities of bi-directional resources, such as batteries. After reviewing industry practices, there was general agreement that a standardized approach would be beneficial but given the limited prevalence of bilateral transmission products for these resources, there was consensus that standards development at this time was premature. However, as discussed during the WEQ Executive Committee meeting, the WEQ CISS participants recognized that this issue may need to be revisited as part of future standard efforts.

Additionally, the WEQ Executive Committee approved a no action recommendation stemming from the WEQ CISS' annual review of the NAESB Electronic Tagging Functional Specification. The effort is intended to ensure the specification requirements continue to be reflective of best practices for cybersecurity protections necessary to secure e-Tag transactions and are consistent with the applicable WEQ Business Practice Standards and NERC Reliability Standards. This item will be revisited next year as part of the proposed 2026 WEQ Annual Plan.

WGQ Business Practices Subcommittee Activities:

In October, the WGQ Executive Committee adopted modifications to the WGQ Business Practice Standards that will streamline and add efficiencies to the nominations and capacity release processes.

As part of the WGQ Nominations Related Standards, the revisions shorten the timing window for nomination responses from 30 minutes to 5 minutes. The recommendation was developed in response to multiple shippers' interest within the industry to receive the nomination responses closer to a "real-time" timeframe. (*continued*)

NAESB Quadrant Membership Analysis:

Wholesale Gas Quadrant (WGQ)	117
Retail Markets Quadrant (RMQ)	33
Wholesale Electric Quadrant (WEQ)	128
Total Membership	**278**

WGQ Business Practices Subcommittee Activities (continued):

The faster response time is anticipated to increase operational efficiency, reduce risk of errors and scheduling conflicts, improve cybersecurity, and could improve decision making processes by participants of the energy supply chain through the quicker availability of data.

As part of the WGQ Capacity Release Standards, the changes allow the inclusion of certain contact information of releasers and bidders in the bids, offers, and awards dataset. The additional data is expected to facilitate smooth and efficient communication between interested parties regarding transactions for early capacity releases, which will support greater harmonization between the gas and electric markets. These technical standards also provide flexibility in how disclosure options are implemented across platforms. An industry ratification period for both recommendations ends on November 24, 2025. Once ratified, the recommendations will be considered final actions and will be incorporated into WGQ Version 4.1 for industry use.

Upcoming NAESB Courses:

NAESB routinely offers educational opportunities aimed at providing members, industry participants, regulators, and interested industry stakeholders with information on the current activities of the organization and a better understanding of NAESB Business Practice Standards. In September, NAESB hosted two such webinars.

On September 18, 2025, NAESB held an Understanding the NAESB WGQ Contracts course. This was the second such webinar provided this year. Through the course, attendees received a detailed review of the NAESB Base Contract for the Sale and Purchase of Natural Gas that addresses the essential components of the standardized contract as well as addendums supporting Canadian, Mexican, Renewable Natural Gas, and Certified Gas transactions.

Next, on September 25, 2025, NAESB held its annual NAESB 101 Webinar. Open to both NAESB members and non-members, this webinar provided participants with an introduction to the organization, an overview of the NAESB Business Practice Standards and our consensus- based standards development process accredited by the American National Standards Institute, and information on current standard development activities. Following the industry-wide event, NAESB offered a similar webinar open to members of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners and the National Council on Electricity Policy. This webinar covers much of the same material as the NAESB 101 Webinar with a focus on areas that may be of interest for state commissions and their staffs.

Looking ahead, NAESB will continue to offer informational webinars and training opportunities throughout 2026. As dates are confirmed, future courses will be announced on the NAESB meeting calendar and the Primers and Training Courses page of the NAESB website.

Resources for Additional Information: The following hyperlinks provide more information on standards development efforts and other activities within NAESB. Please log into the NAESB website to access the members only links.

Regulatory Orders and Reports: October 16, 2025 - FERC Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (WGQ, Version 4.0) Standards for Business Practices of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines (Docket No. RM96-1-044), October 1, 2025 - FERC Final Rule - Implementation of the Executive Order Entitled “Zero-Based Budgeting to Unleash American Energy (Docket No. RM25-14-000; Order No. 913)

NAESB Press Releases, Notices, and Correspondence: October 17, 2025 - FERC Proposes Adoption of NAESB Standards Supporting Gas-Electric Coordination, August 27, 2025 - Reminder – NAESB EIR Registration and Annual Subscription Fee Increase, October 29, 2025 - NAESB Authorized Certification Authority Renewal Notice – SSL.com

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