January 12, 2015

via web site post and email

TO: NAESB Advisory Council and Guests, NAESB Board of Directors, NAESB Executive Committees, Interested Energy Associations and Groups

cc: NAESB Board of Directors, NAESB Executive Committee members, Executives of Interested Energy Associations and Groups

FROM: Rae McQuade, President, NAESB

RE: NAESB Advisory Council Meeting Agenda and Reception

Dear NAESB Advisory Council Members & Guests:

 As noted in other communications, NAESB will hold its annual Advisory Council meeting on **Saturday, February 14, 2015 from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm Eastern**.[[1]](#footnote-1) As they have done in the past, NARUC has graciously worked with us to make room in their winter program for our meeting and reception, and we are very appreciative of their support. The Advisory Council meeting will be held at the **Renaissance Washington Hotel, 999 9th Street, Washington, DC**, and we hope that you can make time in your schedule to join us. As you know, during the council meeting, your input helps define the direction of the organization every year and has served as the origin of many of our standards development activities to date. We have a number of important topics we would like to discuss and your participation will be greatly appreciated.

 Bruce Ellsworth is our chairman and will lead us through the meeting. The meeting will be focused on key issues facing NAESB, areas where Advisory Council guidance would be helpful in determining directions NAESB should take, and a review of our process. As always, your advice and thoughts would be most helpful to us to ensure we have the right focus and level of commitment to our projects.

 At the conclusion of the meeting, Bruce will direct us to the reception/buffet – where you can relax, enjoy refreshments, and visit. If you would like to include your spouse or a colleague as additional guests for this reception, by all means, do so. Other NARUC meetings end at the same time as our council meeting, and we are typically joined by several other state commissioners and staff who were unable to drop in to our Advisory Council meeting. We look forward to these additional invitees and thank NARUC for publicizing our event.

 The draft agenda is provided in this packet and meeting materials for the meeting will be made available shortly to you. Please let us know if there are other topics you would like to see added.

 For clarification, please note that this event is not sponsored by NARUC nor is a part of the NARUC Winter Committee Meetings agenda. However, if you are considering attending the NARUC meeting, let me urge you to do so. It is a wonderful forum, highlighting topics of importance to us all.

 As always, we look forward to seeing you –

With Best Regards,

***Rae***

**NAESB ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING**

**Renaissance Washington Hotel, 999 9th Street, Washington, DC**

**Saturday, February 14, 2015 -- 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm Eastern**

**AGENDA**

4:00 pm 1. Welcome

* Antitrust Guidance
* Welcome to Members and Attendees
* Introduction and Roll Call
* Adoption of Agenda

 2. Impact of the Advisory Council in Providing Direction to NAESB

3. Coordination, Coordination, Coordination

* Gas-Electric Markets
* NAESB and NERC
* NAESB and the IDC Association
* NAESB and ANSI

4. Status of Other Projects

* Smart Grid, Data Privacy and Energy Usage Information – The Green Button Challenge
* Net Metering
* Cybersecurity Activities – Including Public Key Infrastructure standards and usage
* Registry efforts

5. Strategic Directions for 2015 and Tactical Plans

* Board Strategic Direction and Report to the Board in 2014
* WEQ 2015 Annual Plan & Issues
* Retail 2015 Annual Plan & Issues
* WGQ 2015 Annual Plan & Issues

6. How these activities fit into the overall products of NAESB

 7. New Business

* Microgrid Integration
* Ideas and Suggestions from the Floor
* Election of Chair for 2015

6:00 pm 8. Adjourn

6:00 to 9:00 pm Reception/Buffet Immediately Following Meeting

*Attire – Business Casual*

**2015-2016 Advisory Council**

**Bruce Ellsworth** **Chairman, NAESB Advisory Council** & Former Commissioner, NH PUC & Past President of NARUC

**W. Robert Keating** **Vice Chairman, NAESB Advisory Council** & Former Commissioner, MA DPU

Dr. John Anderson President & CEO, Electricity Consumers Resource Council

Vicky Bailey Principal/Partner, BHMM Energy Services LLC & Former FERC Commissioner & Former Assistant Secretary for the U.S. Department of Energy & Commissioner, Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission

Ron Binz Principal, Public Policy Consulting

Linda Breathitt Commissioner, Kentucky Public Service Commission & Former FERC Commissioner

Mary Brown Executive Vice President and General Counsel, Open Access Technology International, Inc.

Steve Chesebro’ Chairman, Harvest Natural Resources, Inc. & Founding and First Chairman, Gas Industry Standards Board

Lorraine Cross Principal, Cross & Company P.L.L.C.

Alex DeBoissiere Senior Vice President, Government Relations, The United Illuminating Company & Former General Counsel, NAESB

David Eichenlaub Assistant Director, Virginia State Corporation Commission

Jim Fama Vice President, Energy Delivery, Edison Electric Institute

Dr. Michelle Michot Foss Chief Energy Economist and Program Manager, Bureau of Economic Geology’s Center for Energy Economics, University of Texas

Christopher Freitas Senior Program Manager Natural Gas Infrastructure, Office of Oil and Natural Gas, U.S. Department of Energy

Wayne Gardner Former Commissioner, Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission

Robert Gee President, Gee Strategies Group, LLC & Former Assistant Secretary, U.S. Dept. of Energy & Former Chair, Public Utility Commission of Texas

Craig Goodman President, National Energy Marketers Association (NEM)

Robert Gramlich Senior Vice President, Public Policy, American Wind Energy Association

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Joelle Ogg General Counsel, DC Energy & Former Interim Counsel to NAESB

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Bob Rowe President and CEO Northwestern Energy & Former Chairman, Montana Public Service Commission

Howard Shafferman Partner, Ballard Spahr LLP

John Shelk President and CEO, Electric Power Supply Association

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Terry Thorn Principal, KEMA Gas Consulting Services

Dr. Susan Tierney Senior Advisor, Analysis Group Inc. & Former Assistant Secretary, U.S. Dept. of Energy & Former Commissioner, MA DPU

Dr. David Wollman Deputy Director, Smart Grid and Cyber-Physical Systems Program, and Manager, Smart Grid Standards and Research, National Institute of Standards and Technology

1. Please RSVP your intent to attend to Veronica Thomason ([vthomason@naesb.org](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5CRae%20McQuade%5CAppData%5CLocal%5CMicrosoft%5CWindows%5CTemporary%20Internet%20Files%5CContent.Outlook%5C6ML12O3Q%5Cvthomason%40naesb.org), 713-356-0060) at your earliest convenience. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)