**via email & posting for interested parties, September 27, 2013**

**TO:** WEQ/WGQ Gas-Electric Harmonization NOPR Task Force:Kathy York, Bob Harshbarger, Jim Buccigross, Dale Davis, Valerie Crockett, Ed Skiba, Charles Yeung, Tom Gwilliam, Kim Van Pelt, Leigh Spangler, Kathryn Burch, Rae Davis and Alonzo Weaver

**cc:** Michael Desselle and WEQ and WGQ Executive Committees and Alternates

**FROM:** Jonathan Booe

**RE:** Announcement and Agenda for NAESB Gas-Electric Harmonization NOPR Task Force Conference Call – October 15, 2013

Dear All –

Thank you very much for volunteering to participate on the Gas-Electric Harmonization NOPR Task Force of the WEQ and WGQ Executive Committees.

| **Topic** | **Information/Requests** |
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| Request: | * During the August 20 and 22 WEQ and WGQ Executive Committee (EC) meetings, the co-chairs of the ECs recommended that a joint Task Force be created to conduct an informal review of the [Communication of Operational Information Between Natural Gas Pipelines and Electric Transmission Operators NOPR (Docket No. RM13-17-000)](http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/ferc071813_nopr_geh.pdf) issued by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) on July 18, 2013 to determine if any aspects of the NOPR may impact the NAESB WEQ-011 Gas-Electric Coordination standards or the NAESB WGQ Standard Nos. 0.2 and 0.3 – Gas/Electric Operational Communications standards.
* Materials for this conference call are posted on the NAESB WEQ and WGQ EC web sites (<http://www.naesb.org/weq/weq_ec.asp>; <http://www.naesb.org/WGQ/ec.asp>), and the NOPR is posted on the NAESB Government Activities web site (<http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/ferc071813_nopr_geh.pdf>) .
* If you receive this email and you are interested in participating in the review, please contact the NAESB office and RSVP at your earliest convenience.
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| Charge of the task force: | * During this meeting the participants will review each paragraph of the FERC NOPR in an effort to identify potential impacts to the NAESB WEQ-011 Gas-Electric Coordination standards or the NAESB WGQ Standard Nos. 0.2 and 0.3 – Gas/Electric Operational Communications standards or future standards development. Any findings of the Task Force will be reported to the WEQ and WGQ co-chairs, as the purpose of the review is solely informational, and to the Chairman of the NAESB Board of Directors.
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| Pre-meeting Assignments | * Review the July 18, 2013 Communication of Operational Information Between Natural Gas Pipelines and Electric Transmission Operators NOPR (Docket No. RM13-17-000).
* Review the NAESB WEQ-011 Gas-Electric Coordination standards or the NAESB WGQ Standard Nos. 0.2 and 0.3 – Gas/Electric Operational Communications standards.
* Provide any comments to the NAESB office for posting and consideration (naesb@naesb.org)
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| Call-in & web cast information October 15 from1 to 4 pm C | * Call-in information for attendance by phone: Conference number: 866-740-1260, Access code: 7133560, Security code: 2510
* Web cast: http:// [www.readytalk.com](http://www.readytalk.com), and use the same participant access code and security code above
* Any interested party can attend; however non-members should contact the NAESB office for instructions.
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| Draft Agenda | 1. Administrative – Welcome, Antitrust Guidance, Introduction of Volunteers and Attendees, Adoption of Agenda
2. Review and Discuss the NOPR through the Work Paper Created for the Conference Call (<http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/ec_geh101513w1.docx>) and Include Notations.
3. Determine Next Steps and/or Assignments if Necessary
4. Other Business
5. Adjourn
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| Meeting & Background Reference Materials | * Antitrust Guidance: <http://www.naesb.org/misc/antitrust_guidance.doc>
* FERC NOPR on Communication of Operational Information Between Natural Gas Pipelines and Electric Transmission Operators (Docket No. RM13-17-000): <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/ferc071813_nopr_geh.pdf>
* NAESB WEQ-011 Gas-Electric Coordination Standards: <http://www.naesb.org/member_login_check.asp?doc=weq011_bklet_073112.pdf>
* NAESB WGQ Standard Nos. 0.2 and 0.3 – Gas/Electric Operational Communications Standards: <http://www.naesb.org/member_login_check.asp?doc=1bklet0413.pdf>
* NOPR Review Work Paper: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/ec_geh101513w1.docx>
* Comments submitted on NOPR in Docket No. RM13-17-000: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/ec_geh101513w2.pdf>
* WEQ EC Meeting Minutes – August 20, 2013: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/weq_ec082013dm.docx>
* WGQ EC Meeting Minutes – August 22, 2013: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/wgq_ec082213dm.docx>
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