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October 20, 2009  
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The Honorable Kimberly D. Bose  
Secretary  
Federal Energy Regulatory Commission  
888 First Street N.E., Room 1A  
Washington, D.C. 20585

RE: Standards for Business Practices of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines (Docket No. RM 96-1 et al)

Dear Ms. Bose:

The North American Energy Standards Board ("NAESB") herewith submits this report to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission ("FERC" or "Commission") regarding errata to Version 1.9 of the NAESB Wholesale Gas Quadrant ("WGQ") Standards, provided to the Commission on September 30, 2009. This NAESB report is voluntarily submitted by NAESB in response to Docket Nos. RM 96-1 et al. The NAESB WGQ Version 1.9 standards were ratified by the NAESB membership and published on September 30, 2009. The minor correction to the code value included in this report was unanimously adopted by the WGQ Executive Committee on September 1, 2009 through a notational ballot<sup>1</sup>.

The report is being filed electronically in Microsoft® Word® 2003 and in Adobe Acrobat® Portable Document Format (.pdf). All of the documents are also available on the NAESB web site ([www.naesb.org](http://www.naesb.org)). Please feel free to call me at (713) 356-0060 or refer to the NAESB website ([www.naesb.org](http://www.naesb.org)) should you have any questions or need additional information regarding the errata to the NAESB WGQ Versions 1.9 standards or any other NAESB work products.

Respectfully submitted,

*Rae McQuade*

Ms. Rae McQuade

President & COO, North American Energy Standards Board

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<sup>1</sup> The WGQ Executive Committee notational ballot and results can be found through the following hyperlinks:  
[http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/wgq\\_ec082509ballot.doc](http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/wgq_ec082509ballot.doc) (ballot), [http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/wgq\\_ec082509results.doc](http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/wgq_ec082509results.doc) (results)



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**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION**

**Standards for Business Practices of  
Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines** )  
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**Docket No. RM 96-1 et al**

**REPORT OF THE NORTH AMERICAN ENERGY STANDARDS BOARD**

The North American Energy Standards Board (“NAESB”) is voluntarily submitting this report in accordance with the Commission’s Order No. 587 in the above referenced docket. The report includes a minor correction to modify code values for the data set “Offer Upload Quick Response” related to NAESB Wholesale Gas Quadrant (“WGQ”) Standard No. 5.4.8 and has been included in the publication of WGQ Version 1.9. The report is in two parts – the errata for NAESB WGQ Version 1.9 and Notice to WGQ Members of Executive Committee Adoption of Minor Corrections, including the NAESB Operating Procedure for Minor Clarifications and Corrections to Standards.

This Appendix contains the errata for the following NAESB WGQ Version 1.9 Standards:

Minor Correction: Delete 10 Validation Code values (Heading Level) and add 10 Validation Code values (Detail Level) in data set: Offer Upload Quick Response (NAESB WGQ Standard No. 5.4.8)

Minor Correction as approved by the NAESB WGQ Executive Committee on September 1, 2009



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### 1. RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Accept as requested  
 Accept as modified below  
 Decline

### EFFECT OF EC VOTE TO ACCEPT RECOMMENDED ACTION:

Change to Existing Practice  
 Status Quo

### 2. TYPE OF DEVELOPMENT/MAINTENANCE

#### Per Request:

Initiation  
 Modification  
 Interpretation  
 Withdrawal  
  
 Principle (x.1.z)  
 Definition (x.2.z)  
 Business Practice Standard (x.3.z)  
 Document (x.4.z)  
 Data Element (x.4.z)  
 Code Value (x.4.z)  
 X12 Implementation Guide  
 Business Process Documentation

#### Per Recommendation:

Initiation  
 Modification  
 Interpretation  
 Withdrawal  
  
 Principle (x.1.z)  
 Definition (x.2.z)  
 Business Practice Standard (x.3.z)  
 Document (x.4.z)  
 Data Element (x.4.z)  
 Code Value (x.4.z)  
 X12 Implementation Guide  
 Business Process Documentation

### 3. RECOMMENDATION

#### SUMMARY:

Minor Correction (Errata) for Version 1.9 to:

- Delete 10 Validation Code values (Heading Level) and add 10 Validation Code values (Detail Level) in the following data set:

Offer Upload Quick Response

NAESB WGQ Standard No. 5.4.8

**CODE VALUES LOG (for addition, modification or deletion of code values)**

**Document Name and No.:** Offer Upload Quick Response      **NAESB WGQ Standard**  
**No.5.4.8**

**B. Data Element: Validation Code (Heading)**

Code Value	Code Value Description	Code Value Definition
<del>E216 *</del>	<del>Missing IBR Index-Based Capacity Release Indicator</del>	<del>[no definition necessary]</del>
<del>E217 *</del>	<del>Invalid IBR Index-Based Capacity Release Indicator</del>	<del>[no definition necessary]</del>
<del>E218 *</del>	<del>Missing Market-Based Rate Indicator</del>	<del>[no definition necessary]</del>
<del>E219 *</del>	<del>Invalid Market-Based Rate Indicator</del>	<del>[no definition necessary]</del>
<del>E220 *</del>	<del>Missing Replacement Shipper Role Indicator</del>	<del>[no definition necessary]</del>
<del>E221 *</del>	<del>Invalid Replacement Shipper Role Indicator</del>	<del>[no definition necessary]</del>
<del>E222 *</del>	<del>Missing Special Terms and Miscellaneous Notes – AMA Obligations</del>	<del>[no definition necessary]</del>
<del>E223 *</del>	<del>Missing Special Terms and Miscellaneous Notes – Storage Inventory Conditions</del>	<del>[no definition necessary]</del>
<del>E224 *</del>	<del>Missing Storage Inventory-Conditioned Indicator</del>	<del>[no definition necessary]</del>
<del>E225 *</del>	<del>Invalid Storage Inventory-Conditioned Indicator</del>	<del>[no definition necessary]</del>

\* - This code value is to be used only in the EBB implementation.

**C. Data Element: Validation Code (Detail)**

Code Value	Code Value Description	Code Value Definition
<del>E576 *</del>	<del>Missing IBR Index-Based Capacity Release Indicator</del>	<del>[no definition necessary]</del>
<del>E577 *</del>	<del>Invalid IBR Index-Based Capacity Release Indicator</del>	<del>[no definition necessary]</del>
<del>E578 *</del>	<del>Missing Market-Based Rate Indicator</del>	<del>[no definition necessary]</del>
<del>E579 *</del>	<del>Invalid Market-Based Rate Indicator</del>	<del>[no definition necessary]</del>
<del>E580 *</del>	<del>Missing Replacement Shipper Role Indicator</del>	<del>[no definition necessary]</del>
<del>E581 *</del>	<del>Invalid Replacement Shipper Role Indicator</del>	<del>[no definition necessary]</del>
<del>E582 *</del>	<del>Missing Special Terms and Miscellaneous Notes – AMA Obligations</del>	<del>[no definition necessary]</del>
<del>E583 *</del>	<del>Missing Special Terms and Miscellaneous Notes – Storage Inventory Conditions</del>	<del>[no definition necessary]</del>
<del>E584 *</del>	<del>Missing Storage Inventory-Conditioned Indicator</del>	<del>[no definition necessary]</del>
<del>E585 *</del>	<del>Invalid Storage Inventory-Conditioned Indicator</del>	<del>[no definition necessary]</del>

\* - This code value is to be used only in the EBB implementation.

Appendix 2  
Notice to WGQ Members of Executive Committee Adoption of Minor Correction  
NAESB Operating Procedure for Minor Clarifications and Corrections to Standards  
October 20, 2009

This Appendix contains the correspondence sent to all Wholesale Gas Quadrant members notifying them of the Executive Committee action taken on the minor correction, requesting comments that opposed the minor correction, and informing them of future actions and timelines related to the minor corrections. It also contains the excerpt from the NAESB Operating Procedures detailing the procedures to be followed for minor clarifications and corrections to existing NAESB Standards.



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via email and posting

**TO:** NAESB Wholesale Gas Quadrant (WGQ) Members and Interested Industry Participants  
**FROM:** NAESB Office  
**RE:** Minor Correction to NAESB WGQ Standard No. 5.4.8, version 1.9, as approved by the WGQ Executive Committees on September 1, 2009  
**DATE:** September 1, 2009

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Dear Wholesale Gas Quadrant Members:

The WGQ Executive Committee voted to adopt minor correction MC09031, submitted by D.Davis/M. Stender, Co-Chairs of the Information Requirements / Technical Subcommittee – Version 1.9 – Errata – Offer Upload Quick Response to NAESB WGQ Standard No. 5.4.8 by notational ballot. The minor correction received the simple majority votes needed for adoption by the WGQ EC on September 1, 2009. The minor correction to be applied to WGQ version 1.9 is posted on the NAESB web site at: [http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/wgq\\_mc09031\\_rec\\_082409.doc](http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/wgq_mc09031_rec_082409.doc). For further information on the minor correction as submitted by the NAESB WGQ Information Requirements / Technical Subcommittee Co-Chairs, please contact Ms. Dale Davis, (713) 215-2396 or Mr. Michael Stender, (719) 667-7613.

Pursuant to NAESB's procedures for adopting minor corrections (found at pp. 18-19 of the NAESB Operating Procedures (NAESBOPs) and shown below), the public comment period for the minor correction will begin today, September 1, and end on September 15, 2009. If no comments are received, the correction will be applied to NAESB WGQ version 1.9 effective October 15, 2009. It will also on October 15 be submitted to FERC to amend version 1.9 and posted separately on the WGQ Minor Corrections page of the NAESB web site at [http://naesb.org/wgq/wgq\\_clarifications.asp](http://naesb.org/wgq/wgq_clarifications.asp).

Should you have any concerns or issues with the minor correction, please notify the NAESB office by September 15, 2009 (email: [naesb@naesb.org](mailto:naesb@naesb.org), fax 713-356-0067).

Best Regards,

*Denise Rager*  
NAESB Office

cc: Rae McQuade, President



## **Procedures for Minor Corrections as excerpted from the NAESB Operating Procedures**

### **D. Minor Clarifications and Corrections to Standards**

Minor clarifications and corrections to existing standards include: (a) clarifications or corrections made by a regulatory agency to standards that are of a jurisdictional nature, or by the American National Standards Institute or its successor; (b) clarifications or corrections to the format, appearance, or descriptions of standards in standards documentation; (c) clarifications or corrections to add code values to tables; and (d) clarifications and corrections that do not materially change a standard.

Any request for a minor clarification or correction to an existing standard should be submitted in writing to the executive director. This request shall include a description of the minor clarification or correction and the reason the clarification or correction should be implemented.

#### **1. Processing of Requests**

The executive director shall promptly notify the EC and any appropriate subcommittee(s) of the receipt of the request. The members of the applicable quadrant's EC shall promptly determine whether the request meets the definition of a minor clarification or correction. Through the decision of the vice chair of the applicable quadrant, this determination may be delegated to one of the quadrant's subcommittees, with the concurrence of the subcommittee chair, in which case the subcommittee shall make a prompt decision.

If the request is determined to meet the definition of minor clarification or correction, the applicable quadrant's EC, with input from any subcommittee(s) to which the request has been forwarded, shall act on the request within one month of its receipt. A meeting to discuss the request is not required; the decision may be made by notational vote. A simple majority of the votes received shall determine the outcome. The members of the applicable quadrant's EC shall be given at least three working days to consider and vote on the request.

#### **2. Public Notice**

The results of the vote on the request for a minor clarification or correction shall be posted on the NAESB website and the members of the applicable quadrant shall be notified of the request by e-mail. If the request has been approved by the applicable quadrant's EC, the notification shall include a brief description of the request, the contact name and number of the requester so that further information can be obtained, and the proposed effective date of the clarification or correction. The proposed effective date of the minor clarification or correction shall normally be one month from the date of the public notice.

Any interested party shall have an opportunity to comment on the request, and the comments shall be posted on the NAESB website. The comment period is two weeks.

#### **3. Final Disposition of Approved Requests**

If no comments are received on an approved request, the standard shall be clarified or corrected as specified in the approved request on the effective date proposed. If comments are received, they shall be forwarded to the members of the applicable quadrant's EC for consideration. Each comment requires a public written response from the applicable quadrant's EC. The applicable quadrant's EC shall determine whether changes are necessary as a result of the comments.

Members of the applicable quadrant's EC shall be given three working days to consider the comments and determine the outcome, which shall be decided by a simple majority of the votes received. A meeting to discuss the request is not required; the decision may be made by notational vote. The standard shall be clarified or corrected in accordance with the outcome of the vote, effective with the completion of voting, and notice thereof shall be posted on the NAESB website.