Via email and posting

April 21, 2014

**TO:** NAESB Gas-Electric Harmonization (GEH) Forum Distribution List

**cc:** NAESB Board of Directors, NAESB Advisory Council

**FROM:** NAESB Office

**RE:** Agenda with Presentations for NAESB Gas Electric Harmonization Forum – April 22-23, 2014

Dear Forum Distribution,

Thank you for showing interest in our process and being part of the group that shapes the NAESB response to the directives of the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NOPR) on *Coordination of the Scheduling Processes of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines and Public Utilities* issued on March 20, 2014 (Docket No. RM14-2-000). We have already held two conference calls on March 27 and April 1, given one review session also on April 1, and asked for presenters for the April 22-23 meeting to be identified. The deadline for indicating intent to provide presentations was April 11. Thirteen companies[[1]](#footnote-1) have indicated their intent to present alternatives to the proposal provided by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission in its NOPR. The agenda with the order of presentations defined is provided in this document, including links to the presentations. We will provide an update after we have received the presentation materials on April 18. The presentations will be posted.

**We have received more than 150 intents to participate by phone and more than 80 intents to participate in person – so this will be a well-attended meeting. If you are intending to participate, and you do not see your name on the RSVP list (provided in the background materials list in this packet), please contact our office so that our records can be corrected -- (****drager@naesb.org****, 713-356-0060),** and you will receive an email confirmation. There is no charge to attend in person or by conference call/web cast.

All those that RSVP for the meetings will be added to the distribution list unless it is specifically requested otherwise. Should you know of any colleagues that may have interest in attending this meeting or in following NAESB efforts in this area, please feel free to forward this invitation.

Please note that the lunch break is 90 minutes, as lunch will not be provided during the meeting. Also, should you bring laptops or other electronic devices, please ensure your battery is fully charged as power strips are not available. If you need access to the internet, please bring your air card or other similar device. Complimentary internet access is available in the lobby.

The meeting will be transcribed. Because Commission staff may be participating in or monitoring these meetings, if participants want to discuss the FPA section 206 proceedings to reform the ISO and RTO scheduling practices, we request that those discussions be held elsewhere.

**NAESB GAS-ELECTRIC HARMONIZATION FORUM**

**Meeting**

**Tuesday, April 22, 2014 – 8:00 am to 5:00 pm Central**

**Wednesday, April 23, 2014 – 8:00 am to 2:00 pm Central**

**Available by Phone and Web Cast**

**In Person Attendance Hilton Americas[[2]](#footnote-2), Houston, Texas – Room 336AB**

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**Tuesday 8:00 am 1. Administrative**

 Welcome

 Antitrust Guidance

 Adoption of Agenda

**Tuesday 8:15 am 2. Review of Process to be used**

**Tuesday 8:40 am 3. Review of the Timeline**

**Tuesday 9:00 am 4. Brief Overview of the FERC NOPR Proposal**

**Tuesday 9:30 am 5. Presentations of Alternatives to FERC Proposal[[3]](#footnote-3)**

 Natural Gas Council Presentation

ISO/RTO Council Presentation

INGAA Presentation

**Tuesday 11:45 am Lunch**

Northern Natural Gas Presentation

Washington Gas Light / Piedmont Natural Gas Presentation

National Grid Presentation

Southern Company Presentation

PG&E / SoCal Gas Presentation

**Tuesday 5:00 pm Suspend For the Day**

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**Wednesday 8:00 am Call the meeting to order**

**Wednesday 8:00 am 5. Presentations of Alternatives to FERC Proposal *(Continued)***

Hess Energy Marketing (a Direct Energy Company) Presentation

Desert Southwest Pipeline Stakeholders Presentation

Southwest Customer Group Presentation

AEP Presentation

Skipping Stone/Conservation Law Foundation Presentation

**Wednesday 11:45 am Lunch**

**Wednesday 1:15 pm 6. Preparations for Next Meeting**

**Wednesday 1:55 pm 7. Other Business**

**Wednesday 2:00 pm 8. Adjourn**

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* NAESB GEH Forum Distribution List: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/naesb_geh_forum_distlist_2014.doc>
* RSVP List by Last Name <http://www.naesb.org/misc/naesb_geh_forum_rsvp_by_name.pdf>
* RSVP List by Company <http://www.naesb.org/misc/naesb_geh_forum_rsvp_by_company.pdf>
* RSVP List by Quadrant and Segment <http://www.naesb.org/misc/naesb_geh_forum_rsvp_by_quadrant_segment.pdf>
* Antitrust Guidance: <http://www.naesb.org/misc/antitrust_guidance.doc>
* Voting Process: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/geh042214w3.docx>
* Segment Descriptions: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/geh042214w2.doc>
* Timeline: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/geh042214w1.pdf>
* FERC Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, *Coordination of the Scheduling Process of Interstate Natural Gas Pipelines and Public Utilities*, can be found through the following hyperlink: <http://www.ferc.gov/whats-new/comm-meet/2014/032014/M-1.pdf>.
* FERC NOPR Excerpts: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/excerpts_ferc_nopr_rm14_2_000.docx>

Presentations:

* Natural Gas Council Presentation: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/geh042214ngc.pdf>
* ISO/RTO Council Presentation: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/geh042214iso_rto.pdf>
* INGAA Presentation: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/geh042214ingaa.pdf>
* Northern Natural Gas Presentation: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/geh042214nng.pdf>
* Washington Gas Light / Piedmont Natural Gas Presentation: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/geh042214washgas_piedmont.pdf>; <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/geh042214washgas_piedmont_text.pdf>
* National Grid Presentation: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/geh042214ngrid.pdf>
* Southern Company Presentation: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/geh042214southern.pdf>
* PG&E / SoCal Gas Presentation: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/geh042214pge_socal.pdf>
* Hess Energy Marketing (a Direct Energy Company) Presentation: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/geh042214hess_energy_marketing.pdf>
* Desert Southwest Pipeline Stakeholders Presentation: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/geh042214dsps.pdf>
* Southwest Customer Group Presentation: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/geh042214southwest_customer_group.pdf>
* AEP Presentation: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/geh042214aep.pdf>
* Skipping Stone / Conservation Law Foundation Presentation: <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/geh042214clf_skipping_stone.pdf>

Information on all NAESB activities can be found at <http://www.naesb.org>, and for GEH Forum activities at <http://www.naesb.org/naesb_geh_forum.asp>.

1. Natural Gas Council, INGAA, National Grid, Southern Company, ISO/RTO Council or individual ISOs and RTOs, Washington Gas Light/Piedmont Natural Gas, Northern Natural Gas, Skipping Stone/Conservation Law Foundation, Hess Energy Marketing (a Direct Energy Company), Southwest Customer Group, Desert Southwest Pipeline Stakeholders, PG&E/SoCal and AEP [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Hilton Americas is located in downtown Houston, Hilton Americas-Houston, 1600 Lamar, Houston, Texas, 77010, Phone -- 713-739-8000 [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. Each of the presenters have up to 30 minutes for presentations, followed by 10 minutes for clarifying questions, and a five minute period for transition to the next speaker. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. Hilton Americas is located in downtown Houston, Hilton Americas-Houston, 1600 Lamar, Houston, Texas, 77010, Phone -- 713-739-8000 [↑](#footnote-ref-4)