Via email and posting

March 12, 2024

**TO:** NAESB Board of Directors, Executive Committee (EC) Members, EC Alternates, NAESB Members, NAESB Advisory Council and Invited Guests

**FROM:** Rae McQuade, NAESB President & Jonathan Booe, NAESB Executive Vice President & COO

**RE:** Announcement of theVirtual NAESB Board of Directors Meeting – April 4, 2024

Dear Board Members, EC Members, EC Alternates, NAESB Members, NAESB Advisory Council and Invited Guests,

NAESB will hold its first Board of Directors meeting of the year on April 4th at 9:00 am Central. The meeting will be held virtually utilizing the Zoom platform. We are pleased to announce that former FERC Commissioner and Partner, Steptoe & Johnson, LLP, Marc L. Spitzer, has graciously agreed to be a guest speaker for the meeting. We look forward to hearing his perspectives on the current policies and financial drivers impacting the energy markets, and we are extremely appreciative of his support of our organization. His biography can be found beginning on page three of the posted announcement.

Also, during the meeting, we will review the progress of the standards development work underway in 2024, the most recent activities of our Board committees, and the results of the recent Advisory Council meeting. This meeting is open to any interested party wishing to participate. Should you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact our office at any time ([naesb@naesb.org](mailto:naesb@naesb.org), (713) 356-0060).

| **Thursday, April 4, 2024** | **RSVP & Registration** |
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| Board of Directors Meeting  9:00 am to 1:00 pm Central | Please call the NAESB office |

On behalf of NAESB, we want to thank the Board members for their commitment to our organization, and we look forward to your participation on the 4th.

Best Regards,





Rae McQuade Jonathan Booe

President, NAESB Executive Vice President & COO, NAESB

**Virtual Board Meeting Instructions**

* Please register through the hyperlink provided in the meeting announcement and agenda. This will serve as your RSVP. Should you have any difficulty registering, please contact the NAESB office.
* After registration, you will receive the meeting link, phone numbers, meeting ID and password. The link you receive is individual – it is specific to your registration and should not be shared. Should you have someone that you would like to invite to the meeting, please contact the NAESB office.
* Meeting participants will be muted on entry to the meeting.
* We ask that the meeting participants remain muted until they are asked to respond to the roll call or have comments or questions. If you have questions or comments, please use the “Raise Your Hand” feature. Once recognized, the meeting participant should unmute themself. When a meeting participant is recognized to speak, the participant should please remember to identify themself and the organization they represent.
* Meeting participants may leave and rejoin the meeting at any time during the session. The session will not be locked.

**Speaker Biography**

**Marc L. Spitzer – Partner, Steptoe & Johnson, LLP**

Marc L. Spitzer, a partner in Steptoe's Washington and Phoenix offices, is recognized for his deep knowledge and understanding of energy law, policy and regulation. Mr. Spitzer counsels and represents utilities and energy companies before the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), at state utility commissions, Congress, federal agencies and state legislatures. Mr. Spitzer served as a FERC commissioner from July 2006 to December 2011. Mr. Spitzer issued thousands of opinions and orders while serving at FERC and participated in technical conferences, initiatives, proceedings and rulemakings on rates, enforcement, reliability cases, electric transmission policy, natural gas infrastructure, and oil pipeline matters.

Mr. Spitzer served six years on the Arizona Corporation Commission (ACC) and in 2002, he was elected by his colleagues as ACC chairman. As chairman of the ACC, he focused on policies that encouraged the expansion of natural gas infrastructure, specifically distribution and storage; creating a demand side management policy; enhancing the ACC’s renewables standard; and advancing consumer privacy concerns in telecommunications.

Mr. Spitzer served four terms in the Arizona State Senate, beginning in 1992. He served as chair of both the Judiciary and Finance Committees and was elected by his peers to the position of Senate majority leader in 1996.

| **NAESB BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**  **Virtual Meeting – Thursday, April 4, 2024 – 9:00 am to 1:00 pm Central**  **DRAFT AGENDA** | | | |
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|  | **#** | **Agenda Item** | |
| 9:00 A | 1. | **Welcome** | |
|  |  | a) | Welcome to Board members, guests and convene the April 4, 2024 Board meeting |
|  |  | b) | Antitrust Guidelines: <http://www.naesb.org/misc/antitrust_guidance.doc> (Guidance) |
|  |  | c) | Establish quorum[[1]](#footnote-1): <http://www.naesb.org/pdf4/bod_terms.pdf> (Board Roster) |
|  | 2. | **Consent Agenda** (For Consideration and Possible Vote) | |
|  |  | a) | Agenda Adoption: <https://www.naesb.org/pdf4/bd040424a.docx> |
|  |  | b) | Adoption of Draft Minutes: <https://www.naesb.org/pdf4/bd121423dm.docx> (12-14-24 Draft Minutes) |
|  |  | c) | Adoption of Revised 2024 WGQ Annual Plan: <https://www.naesb.org/pdf4/bd121423a6.docx> |
|  |  | d) | Adoption of Revised 2024 WEQ Annual Plan: <https://www.naesb.org/pdf4/bd121423a4.docx> |
|  |  | e) | Adoption of Revised 2024 RMQ Annual Plan: <https://www.naesb.org/pdf4/bd121423a2.docx> |
|  | 3. | **Remarks from Marc L. Spitzer, Partner, Steptoe & Johnson, LLP** | |
|  | 4. | **Membership and Financial Reports** | |
|  |  | a) | Review of the Membership & Financials |
|  | 5. | **Advisory Council Update** | |
|  | 6. | **Reports from Board Committees** | |
|  |  | a) | Managing Committee Update |
|  |  | b) | Revenue Committee Update |
|  |  | c) | Strategy Committee Update |
|  | 7. | **Standards Development Efforts** | |
|  |  | a) | Distributed Energy Resources & Storage |
|  |  | b) | NAESB Contracts & Distributed Ledger Technologies |
|  |  | c) | Cybersecurity |
|  |  | d) | Other Development Efforts |
|  | 8. | **Old and New Business** | |
|  |  | a) | Regulatory Filings and Related Actions, Liaisons with external groups |
|  |  | b) | Comments from Board Members, Invited Guests and Attendees |
|  |  | c) | Board Meeting Schedule 2024: <https://www.naesb.org/pdf4/2024_schedule.pdf> |
|  |  | d) | NAESB Bulletin, August – October, 2023: <http://naesb.org/pdf4/naesb_bulletin_vol16_issue2.pdf> |
| 1:00 P | 9. | **Adjourn** | |

1. As we are meeting remotely, if quorum is not reached, the Board meeting will be considered a working session, and all votes will be processed notationally after the session concludes. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)