Via email and posting

July 29, 2022

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

**FROM:** Rae McQuade, NAESB President

**RE:** Announcement of theNAESB Board of Directors Meeting, Strategic Session and Meeting of the Members – September 1, 2022

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

We are pleased to announce that NAESB will hold a Board of Directors Meeting, including a Strategic Session and its annual Meeting of the Members, on September 1, 2022 at 9:00 am Central. This hybrid meeting will take place in-person in Houston, Texas at the Hilton Americas[[1]](#footnote-1) and virtually utilizing the Zoom platform. As this will be the first meeting hosted by NAESB offering face-to-face participation since 2020, we ask that those of you planning to attend in-person please RSVP at your earliest convenience so that proper accommodations can be made by the hotel.[[2]](#footnote-2) Logistical information and instructions on how to RSVP are provided below.

As part of our Meeting of the Members and our Strategic Session, we are very fortunate that former FERC and PUCT Chairman Pat Wood, III has generously agreed to participate and will provide remarks for consideration by the Board of Directors. His leadership in the industry and support of both GISB and NAESB has been critical to the organization’s success over the last three decades, and we are extremely grateful for his participation and guidance. In addition, we will have a panel of several of our Advisory Council members to provide their thoughts and recommendations concerning the strategic direction of our organization.

The agenda and materials for this meeting will be provided to you shortly and will include a review of our current financial and membership status, the progress on the standards development work included in the 2022 annual plans, and a review of the activities that are underway within our Board committees. As are all NAESB meetings, this meeting is open to any interested party, and should you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact our office at any time (naesb@naesb.org, (713) 356-0060).

| **NAESB Board of Directors Meeting, Strategic Session and Meeting of the Members****Thursday, September 1, 2022 – 9:00 am to 1:00 pm Central****RSVP & Registration Information** |
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| In-Person Attendance | Location: RSVP: | Hilton Americas Houston1300 Lamar Street, Houston, Texas 77010Contact Veronica Thomason at naesb@naesb.org, (713) 356-0060 |
| Virtual Attendance | All NAESB meetings are open to any interested party. Please contact the NAESB office.  |

Best Regards,



| **NAESB BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING** **Hybrid Meeting – Thursday, September 1, 2022 – 9:00 am to 1:00 pm Central****Hilton Americas Houston - 1300 Lamar Street, Houston, Texas 77010****DRAFT AGENDA** |
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|  | **#** | **Agenda Item** |
| 8:30 A |  | **Continental Breakfast** |
| 9:00 A | 1. | **Welcome** |
|  |  | a) | Welcome to Board members, Guests and Convene the September 1, 2022 Board meeting |
|  |  | b) | Antitrust Guidelines: <http://www.naesb.org/misc/antitrust_guidance.doc> (Guidance) |
|  |  | c) | Establish Quorum: <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/bd090122a.docx>  |
|  |  | b) | Adoption of Draft Minutes: <https://www.naesb.org/pdf4/bd041422dm.docx> (04-14-22 Draft Minutes) |
|  |  | c) | Adoption of 2022 WGQ Annual Plan: <https://www.naesb.org/pdf4/bd041422a3.docx> (Adopted by Board of Directors 4-14-22) |
|  |  | d) | Adoption of 2022 Retail Annual Plan: <https://www.naesb.org/pdf4/bd041422a1.docx> (Adopted by Board of Directors 4-14-22) |
|  |  | e) | Adoption of 2022 WEQ Annual Plan: <https://www.naesb.org/pdf4/bd041422a2.docx> (Adopted by Board of Directors 4-14-22) |
| **Meeting of the Members & Strategic Session** |
|  | 3. | **Meeting of the Members & Strategic Session** |
|  |  | a) | Opening Remarks from the Chairman |
|  |  | b) | Remarks from Former FERC & PUCT Chairman Pat Wood, III, CEO Hunt Energy Network, CEO Hunt Power |
|  |  | c) | Correspondence from FERC & NERC Naming NAESB as Convener of the Gas-Electric Forum |
|  |  | d) | Remarks from Bruce Ellsworth, Chair of NAESB Advisory Council, & Panel of Invited Guests |
|  |  | e) | Discussion & Additional Comments |
|  |  | f) | Identification of Action Items |
|  |  | g) | Adjourn the Meeting of the Members and Strategic Session |
| **General Business of the Board of Directors** |
|  | 4. | **Membership and Financial Reports** |
|  |  | a) | Review of the Membership & Financial Reports |
|  | 5. | **Reports from Board Committees** |
|  |  | a) | Managing Committee Update |
|  |  | b) | Revenue Committee Update |
|  |  | c) | Strategy Committee Update |
|  | 6. | **Standards Development Efforts** |
|  |  | a) | Energy Storage & Distributed Energy Resources: <https://www.naesb.org/misc/energy_storage_der_update081022.docx>  |
|  |  | b) | Renewable & Certified Natural Gas Contract: <https://www.naesb.org/misc/rng_cg_update081122.docx>  |
|  |  | c) | Renewable Energy Certificate Contract: <https://www.naesb.org/misc/rec_update081122.docx>  |
|  |  | d) | Cybersecurity: <https://www.naesb.org/misc/board_cybersecurity_update081122.docx>  |
|  |  | e) | Other Development Efforts: <https://www.naesb.org/misc/other_developments_update081122.docx>  |
|  | 7. | **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 2022: <https://www.naesb.org/pdf4/2022_schedule.pdf> |
|  |  | d) | NAESB Bulletin |
| 1:00 P | 8. | **Adjourn** |

**Speaker Biography**

**Pat Wood, III – Former FERC & PUCT Chairman Pat Wood, III, CEO Hunt Energy Network, CEO Hunt Power**

Born in Port Arthur, Texas, Pat Wood, III has had a long career in energy. He is the past Chairman of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and of the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT). The son of a small businessman, Wood has been a forceful advocate throughout his career for replacing government-centered regulation with customer-focused, technology-unleashing competition.

Today, as CEO of Hunt Energy Network, and President of Hunt Power, Wood’s focus is on integrating power system infrastructure into the competitive electricity market.

In recent years, Wood has also served as the Lead Independent Director of integrated solar company SunPower (NASDAQ: SPWR), Director of utility construction firm Quanta Services (NYSE: Quanta), Director of Spring Valley Acquisition Corp (NASDAQ: SV), Board Chairman of independent power producer Dynegy, and a Director of TPI Composites, among other companies.

In 1995, Governor George W. Bush named Wood to head the PUCT with a mandate to free up power (and telecom) customers from monopoly utility control. The resulting restructured Texas electric market (ERCOT) is considered to be the most robustly competitive energy market in the country, with high infrastructure investment, diverse service and technology offerings, and customer prices well below what they were under regulation. Texas leads the nation in renewable energy investment; the state’s orderly regulatory environment, diverse energy supplies and open markets underpin its economic development.

During his four years at the helm of the FERC, under President George W. Bush, Wood led the responses to the 2000-2001 California energy crisis, the bankruptcy of Enron, and the 2003 North American power blackout. By 2005, over two-thirds of the country was served by the organized wholesale power markets he championed. Under his leadership, the FERC promoted the development of a cleaner, more competitive power generation fleet, significant natural gas infrastructure expansions, and a more robust power transmission grid -- all in the context of well-ordered competitive energy markets.

Wood holds a B.S. degree (civil engineering) from Texas A&M University and a J.D. from Harvard Law School. He serves on the Executive Board of Big Brothers Big Sisters Lone Star and the National Petroleum Council. He and his wife, Kathleen, are the parents of four sons, and they are proud to call Houston home.

1. Information concerning the Hilton Americas can be found through the following hyperlink: <https://www.naesb.org/pdf4/bd090122hotel.docx> [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. If you intend to attend in-person, please consider the guidance provided by the Center for Disease Control, to better protect your health and the health of others: <https://www.cdc.gov/>. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)