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**TO:** All Interested Parties

**FROM:** Caroline Trum, Director of Wholesale Electric Activities

**RE: WEQ Coordinate Interchange Scheduling Subcommittee**

The WEQ Coordinate Interchange Scheduling Subcommittee (CISS) is scheduled to hold its next meeting on April 22, 2025 to continue discussions regarding the development of standards to help streamline the management of bi-directional resources, such as batteries. During the meeting, the subcommittee will continue discussions regarding how the industry currently manages bilateral transactions to determine the need for any new or modified standards that could help address any identified issues and support greater efficiencies for industry. To assist in these discussions, the chairs have asked participants to provide work papers describing issues market participants have encountered or anticipate in the use of e-Tags to manage such transactions. The intent is to identify commonalities and regional differences regarding the management of bidirectional resource transactions to help scope areas of possible consideration for standards development.

As discussed by the WEQ CISS as part of its initial meeting in February 2025, the use of electronic tags (e-Tags) to represent bidirectional resource transactions may become increasingly complex as more of these resources are deployed. E-Tags are used by the wholesale electric industry to electronically represent the transfer of energy as part of a transaction, and an e-Tag contains information that identifies the contractual parties and scheduling entities and describes the physical path of the energy flow. Currently, e-Tags are structured to represent the flow of energy in a single direction. The WEQ Business Practice Standards include standards that identify the market-supported processes necessary to facilitate electronic transfers of energy, establish the related cybersecurity protections, and specify the arrangements and data to be communicated via e-Tag. The WEQ Electronic Tagging Functional Specification describes the technical requirements for the implementation of this process through e-Tag systems in accordance with the applicable WEQ Business Practice Standards and NERC Reliability Standards.