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**TO:** All Interested Parties

**FROM:** Elizabeth Mallett, NAESB Deputy Director

**RE: Retail Net Metering Activities Update**

**Update on Retail Net Metering Activities –**

Due to the variety of net metering implementations and policies, the scope of the NAESB Retail Net Metering effort is limited to providing metering data required by Market Participants in competitive energy markets in jurisdictions where their charges to Retail Customers account for Retail Net Metering arrangements. The Retail Markets Quadrant (RMQ) Information Requirements and Technical Electronic Implementation Subcommittee (IR/TEIS) and the RMQ Business Practices Subcommittee (BPS) have continued to develop the Model Business Practices and technical implementation for the effort under 2015 RMQ Annual Plan Item 4. The first quarter of 2016 publication date for the next RMQ publication, Version 3.1, is contingent upon the completion of the Retail Net Metering Model Business Practices.

In RXQ.3 – Billing and Payments in Competitive Energy Markets Model Business Practices, the RMQ BPS defined “Retail Net Metering” to reflect the limited scope of the Model Business Practices. Next, the subcommittee identified four scenarios that will be addressed in each of the relevant RMQ books: (1) The data is recorded by a single, scalar meter that spins backwards and forwards yielding only a net amount; (2) The data is recorded by a single meter or multiple meters capable of measuring both Retail Customer usage and the energy generated by the Retail Customer, and the metering data is at the summary level; (3) The data is recorded by a single meter or multiple meters capable of measuring both Retail Customer usage and the energy generated by the Retail Customer, and the metering data is being provided at the net interval level; and (4)The data is recorded by a single meter or multiple meters capable of measuring both Retail Customer usage and the energy generated by the Retail Customer, and the metering data is being provided at the detailed interval level.

On September 18, 2015, the NAESB Membership ratified the RMQ BPS recommendation for RXQ.10 – Retail Customer Enrollment, Drop, and Account Information Change Model Business Practices. The Retail BPS is currently working on modifications and accompanying process flows for RXQ.11 – Retail Customer Enrollment, Drop, and Account Information Change Using a Registration Agent Model Business Practices. The subcommittee anticipates that the modifications to Book 11 will be completed by the close of 2015. The related modifications to RXQ.3 and RXQ.8 – Retail Customer Information Model Business Practices, have been approved and ratified by the NAESB membership. The next RMQ BPS conference call will be held on December 15, 2015. All interested parties are welcome to join the meeting.

The RMQ IR/TEIS will develop Data Dictionaries and technical implementation to support the Retail Net Metering Model Business Practices discussed above as part of 2015 RMQ Annual Plan Item 4. The subcommittee has completed the recommendation for RXQ.3 and anticipates that the technical implementation for RXQ.8 will be completed by the fourth quarter of 2015. The completion date for the technical implementation of RXQ.10 and RXQ.11 are dependent upon the completion date of the associated Model Business Practices. The RMQ IR/TEIS will hold a conference call on January 19, 2015 to discuss 2015 Annual Plan Item 1.b – Technical Implementation for RXQ.8 – Customer Information. Interested parties are encouraged to participate in the RMQ IR/TEIS meetings. If you know someone who may be interested in the RMQ IR/TEIS, please have them contact the NAESB office at (713)356-0060.