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**TO:** Interested Industry Parties

**FROM:** Caroline Trum, Director, Wholesale Electric Quadrant

**RE:** Draft Minutes from July 6, 2022 WEQ BPS Meeting

**DATE:** September 14, 2022

**WHOLESALE ELECTRIC QUADRANT**

**Business Practices Subcommittee Meeting**

**Conference Call**

**July 6, 2022 – 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM Central**

**DRAFT MINUTES**

1. **Welcome**

Mr. Phillips welcomed the participants to the meeting. Ms. Trum provided the antitrust and meeting policies reminder. The participants introduced themselves. Mr. Phillips reviewed the agenda. The agenda was adopted on a motion by Mr. Wood, seconded by Mr. Johnson.

The participants reviewed the draft minutes from the June 1, 2022 meeting. No modifications were offered. Mr. Wood moved, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to adopt the draft minutes as final. The final meeting minutes from the meeting are available at the following link: <https://naesb.org//pdf4/weq_bps060122fm.docx>

1. **Discuss and Potentially Vote on Recommendation to Support 2022 WEQ Annual Plan Item 2.a – Consistent with FERC Order No. 676-J, review WEQ-023-1.4 and WEQ-023-1.4.1 and determine if revisions are needed to address NOPR comments regarding contract path management**

Mr. Phillips reviewed with the participants the modifications as discussed during the previous meeting. Additional revisions were made to WEQ-023-1.4 and WEQ-023-1.4.1 for consistency purposes.

Mr. Stewart proposed additional minor revisions to the language. He explained that WEQ-001-21 states that a transmission provider must offer a conditional curtailment option (COO), if possible, and suggested that WEQ-023-1.4 be modified so as to not appear contradictory to WEQ-001-21. Mr. Wood responded that COO is a long-term product and that TTC values are likely not calculated out far enough in advance to impact COO offers. Mr. Steigerwald stated that BPA’s business practices allow requests for long-term firm transmission as early as two months prior to a date, which falls within the thirteen month TTC window. He noted that as written, WEQ-023-1.4 could imply that COO could not be granted. The participants agreed to make the additional revisions proposed by Mr. Stewart to WEQ-023-1.4.

Mr. Phillips asked if there were any additional revisions to the language. None were offered. Mr. Phillips asked if there were any additional issues regarding WEQ-023-1.4 and WEQ-02-1.4.1 that should be addressed before voting on a recommendation. None were offered.

Mr. Steigerwald, seconded by Mr. Wood, moved to adopt the recommendation with the [additional revisions](https://naesb.org/member_login_check.asp?doc=weq_bps070622a1.docx) to WEQ-023-1.4 and WEQ-023-1.4.1 as discussed during the meeting. The motion passed a simple majority vote without opposition.

1. **Discuss and Potentially Vote on No Action Recommendation to Support 2022 WEQ Annual Plan Item 2.b – Consistent with FERC Order No. 676-J, review the WEQ-023 Business Practice Standards and make modifications as necessary to improve the accuracy of ATC and related calculations**

Mr. Phillips stated that, since December 2021, the WEQ BPS has been discussing the two annual plan items addressing the Commission directives from FERC Order No. 676-J regarding WEQ-023, the second of which is to make any modifications that may be necessary to improve the accuracy of ATC and related calculations. He indicated that during these discussions, there have been no issues put forth by industry participants regarding the accuracy of the calculations and no further modifications proposed.

Mr. Phillips asked if there were any additional considerations that should be made before the subcommittee entertained a no action recommendation. None were offered.

Mr. Wood moved, seconded by Mr. Steigerwald, to adopt a no action recommendation. The motion passed a simple majority vote without opposition.

1. **Other Business**

Mr. Phillips stated that a new standards request, [R22002](https://naesb.org/pdf4/r22002.doc), had been submitted and assigned to the WEQ OASIS Subcommittee regarding FERC Order No. 881, which describes requirements for transmission providers to use to ambient adjusted line ratings for transmission facilities. He explained that while the standards request was specific to determining necessary revisions to the WEQ OASIS Suite of Standards to support the Order, the utilization of ambient adjusted line ratings could also impact ATC calculations. The participants discussed that it may be beneficial to review WEQ-023 to determine if there are any modifications that can be made to support the industry in the implementation of Commission directives from FERC Order No. 881.

1. **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM Central on a motion by Mr. Wood.

1. **Attendance**

| **First Name** | **Last Name** | **Organization** |
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| Alan | Johnson | NRG |
| Chris | Pacella | PJM |
| Joshua | Phillips | SPP |
| Farrokh | Rahimi | OATI |
| Robin | Rebillard | Manitoba Hydro |
| Byron | Reischl | Arizona Public Service |
| Ron | Robinson | TVA |
| Patrick | Scarborough | Southern Company |
| Mike | Steigerwald | BPA |
| Scott | Stewart | BPA |
| Matt | Sutton | MISO |
| Caroline | Trum | NAESB |
| JT | Wood | Southern Company |