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**TO:** Interested Industry Parties

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

**RE:** Draft Minutes from October 3, 2024 WEQ BPS Meeting

**DATE:** October 3, 2024

**WHOLESALE ELECTRIC QUADRANT**

**Business Practices Subcommittee Meeting**

**Conference Call**

**October 3, 2024 – 10:00 AM to 11:00 AM 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. Mr. Grant moved to adopt the agenda. The motion passed a simple majority vote without opposition.

The participants reviewed the draft minutes from the September 19, 2024 meeting. No modifications were offered. Mr. Grant moved, seconded by Mr. Hammer, to adopt the draft minutes as final. The motion passed a simple majority vote. The final minutes are available at the following link: <https://www.naesb.org/pdf4/weq_bps091924fm.docx>.

1. **Review and Vote on the No Action Recommendation to Support 2024 WEQ Annual Plan Item 1.c – Review NERC Reliability Standards EOP-011, EOP-012, and TOP-002 and develop and/or modify any necessary business practice standards to support reliability requirements developed by NERC to address the FERC-NERC-Regional Entity Staff Report: February 2021 Cold Weather Outages in Texas and the South Central United States**

Mr. Phillips stated that during the previous meeting, the participants reviewed each reliability requirement included in NERC Reliability Standards EOP-011-2, EOP-012-2, and TOP-002-5 and considered if there were any communication protocols or other commercial based actions that that could be necessary or beneficial to support industry implementation. He noted that after evaluating and discussing each requirement, the participants came to a consensus that WEQ Business Practice Standards are likely not needed at this time and agreed to consider a no action recommendation.

Mr. Phillips reviewed the [draft no action recommendation](https://naesb.org/pdf4/weq_bps100324w1.docx) posted as a work paper for the meeting. He asked if there were any questions, additional issues, or further areas of consideration that participants would like to discuss. None were offered. Mr. Grant moved, seconded by Ms. Hunt, to adopt the no action recommendation in support of 2024 WEQ Annual Plan Item 1.c. The motion passed a simple majority vote without opposition.

1. **Review and Vote on the No Action Recommendation to Support 2024 WEQ Annual Plan Item 1.a – Revise as needed WEQ-023 Modeling Business Practice Standards to support any FERC directives or Final Orders, including in Docket Nos. RM05-5-029, RM05-5-030, RM19-16-000, RM19-17-000, and AD15-5-000**

Mr. Phillips stated that as discussed during the previous meeting, this annual plan item was created to address any FERC directives for modifications or changes to the WEQ-023 Modeling Business Practice Standards. He noted that, as described in the [draft no action recommendation](https://naesb.org/pdf4/weq_bps100324w2.docx) posted as a work paper for the meeting, as part of FERC Order No. 902, the Commission approved the retirement of the NERC MOD A Reliability Standards, stating that concerns which had been raised during the NOPR comment period were addressed. The Order did not include any further directives to NERC, NAESB, or industry regarding the reliability standards or business practices.

Mr. Grant moved, seconded by Mr. Norton, to adopt the no action recommendation. Mr. Phillips asked if there were any questions or comments. None were offered. The motion passed a simple majority vote without opposition.

1. **Other Business**

Ms. Trum stated that the request for formal comment regarding the no action recommendations would be sent out by the NAESB office by the end of the day.

Mr. Phillips reminded the participants that the WEQ BPS has a joint meeting scheduled with the RMQ BPS for Thursday, October 10, 2024 from 10:00 – 2:00 PM Central to review formal comments submitted in response to the recommendation to support Standards Request R24001. Ms. Trum noted that the comment period ends on Monday, October 7, 2024.

1. **Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 AM Central on a motion by Mr. Grant, seconded by Ms. Sieg.

1. **Attendance**

| **First Name** | **Last Name** | **Organization** |
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| Pedrom | Farsi | Arizona Public Service |
| Shawn | Grant | CAISO |
| Ben | Hammer | WAPA |
| Cory | Herbolsheimer | NV Energy |
| Eva | Hunt | Avista Corporation |
| Amrit | Nagi | NAESB |
| Chris | Norton | American Municipal Power |
| John | Pearson | ISO-New England |
| Joshua | Phillips | Southwest Power Pool |
| Farrokh | Rahimi | OATI |
| Lisa | Sieg | LG&E and KU |
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