Electronic Code of Federal Regulations, Title 18. Conservation of Power and Water Resources Chapter I. FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION, DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY Subchapter B. REGULATIONS UNDER THE FEDERAL POWER ACT, Part 38. STANDARDS FOR PUBLIC UTILITY BUSINESS OPERATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

18 CFR § 38.1, Incorporation by reference of North American Energy Standards Board Wholesale Electric Quadrant standards.

**§ 38.1 Incorporation by reference of North American Energy Standards Board Wholesale Electric Quadrant standards.**

Link to an amendment published at [86 FR 29502](https://www.law.cornell.edu/rio/citation/86_FR_29502), June 2, 2021.

**(a)** Any public utility that owns, operates, or controls facilities used for the [transmission](https://www.law.cornell.edu/definitions/index.php?width=840&height=800&iframe=true&def_id=8a058478b70cf1345b409a5932e31ffc&term_occur=999&term_src=Title:18:Chapter:I:Subchapter:B:Part:38:38.1) of electric energy in interstate commerce or for the sale of electric energy at wholesale in interstate commerce and any non-public utility that seeks voluntary compliance with jurisdictional [transmission](https://www.law.cornell.edu/definitions/index.php?width=840&height=800&iframe=true&def_id=8a058478b70cf1345b409a5932e31ffc&term_occur=999&term_src=Title:18:Chapter:I:Subchapter:B:Part:38:38.1) tariff reciprocity conditions must comply with the business practice and electronic communication standards promulgated by the North American Energy Standards Board (NAESB) Wholesale Electric Quadrant (WEQ) that are incorporated by reference in [paragraph (b)](https://www.law.cornell.edu/cfr/text/18/38.1#b) of this section.

**(b)** The material cited in this paragraph (b) was approved by the Director of the Federal Register for incorporated by reference in this section in accordance with [5 U.S.C. 552(a)](https://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/5/552#a) and [1 CFR part 51](https://www.law.cornell.edu/cfr/text/1/part-51). Copies of the material may be obtained from North American Energy Standards Board (NAESB), 801 Travis Street, Suite 1675, Houston, TX 77002, Tel: (713) 356-0060. NAESB's website is at *www.naesb.org/*. The material may be inspected at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Public Reference and Files Maintenance Branch, 888 First Street NE, Washington, DC 20426, Tel: (202) 02-8371, *www.ferc.gov,* or at the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). For information on the availability of this material at NARA, email *fedreg.legal@nara.gov,* or go to: *www.archives.gov/federal-register/cfr/ibr-locations.html*. The NAESB WEQ Business Practice Standards; Standards and Models approved for incorporation by reference are:

**(1)** WEQ-000, Abbreviations, Acronyms, and Definition of Terms, standard WEQ-000-2 ([WEQ] Version 003.1, September 30, 2015), including only: the definitions of Interconnection Time Monitor, Time Error, and Time Error Correction;

**(2)** WEQ-000, Abbreviations, Acronyms, and Definition of Terms, ([WEQ] Version 003.2, Dec. 8, 2017)(with minor correction applied July 23, 2019);

**(3)** WEQ-001, Open Access Same-Time Information Systems (OASIS), [OASIS] Version 2.2 ([WEQ] Version 003.2, Dec. 8, 2017), excluding: standards WEQ-001-9 preamble text, WEQ-001-10 preamble text;

**(4)** WEQ-002, Open Access Same-Time Information Systems (OASIS) Business Practice Standards and Communication Protocols (S&CP), [OASIS] Version 2.2 ([WEQ] Version 003.2, Dec. 8, 2017);

**(5)** WEQ-003, Open Access Same-Time Information Systems (OASIS) Data Dictionary, [OASIS] Version 2.2 ([WEQ] Version 003.2, Dec. 8, 2017) (with minor corrections applied July 23, 2019);

**(6)** WEQ-004, Coordinate Interchange ([WEQ] Version 003.2, Dec. 8, 2017);

**(7)** WEQ-005, Area Control Error (ACE) Equation Special Cases ([WEQ] Version 003.2, Dec. 8, 2017);

**(8)** WEQ-006, Manual Time Error Correction ([WEQ] Version 003.1, Sept. 30, 2015);

**(9)** WEQ-007, Inadvertent Interchange Payback ([WEQ] Version 003.2, Dec. 8, 2017);

**(10)** WEQ-008, [Transmission](https://www.law.cornell.edu/definitions/index.php?width=840&height=800&iframe=true&def_id=8a058478b70cf1345b409a5932e31ffc&term_occur=999&term_src=Title:18:Chapter:I:Subchapter:B:Part:38:38.1) Loading Relief (TLR) - Eastern Interconnection ([WEQ] Version 003.2, Dec. 8, 2017);

**(11)** WEQ-011, Gas/Electric Coordination ([WEQ] Version 003.2, Dec. 8, 2017);

**(12)** WEQ-012, Public Key Infrastructure (PKI) ([WEQ] Version 003.2, Dec. 8, 2017);

**(13)** WEQ-013, Open Access Same-Time Information Systems (OASIS) Implementation Guide, [OASIS] Version 2.2 ([WEQ] Version 003.2, Dec. 8, 2017);

**(14)** WEQ-015, Measurement and Verification of Wholesale Electricity Demand Response ([WEQ] Version 003.2, Dec. 8, 2017);

**(15)** WEQ-021, Measurement and Verification of Energy Efficiency Products ([WEQ] Version 003.2,Dec. 8, 2017);

**(16)** WEQ-022, Electric Industry Registry ([WEQ] Version 003.2, Dec. 8, 2017); and

**(17)** WEQ-023, Modeling ([WEQ] Version 003.2, Dec. 8, 2017), including only: standards WEQ-023-5; WEQ-023-5.1; WEQ-023-5.1.1; WEQ-023-5.1.2; WEQ-023-5.1.2.1; WEQ-023-5.1.2.2; WEQ-023-5.1.2.3; WEQ-023-5.1.3; WEQ-023-5.2; WEQ-023-6; WEQ-023-6.1; WEQ-023-6.1.1; WEQ-023-6.1.2; and WEQ-023-A Appendix A.

[Order 676-I, [85 FR 10585](https://www.law.cornell.edu/rio/citation/85_FR_10585), Feb. 25, 2020]

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18 CFR § 38.2 - Communication and information sharing among public utilities and pipelines.

§ 38.2 Communication and information sharing among public utilities and pipelines.

(a) Any public utility that owns, operates, or controls facilities used for the transmission of electric energy in interstate commerce is authorized to share non-public, operational information with a pipeline, as defined in § 284.12(b)(4) of this chapter, or another public utility covered by this section for the purpose of promoting reliable service or operational planning.

(b) Except as permitted in paragraph (a) of this section, a public utility, as defined in this section, and its employees, contractors, consultants, and agents are prohibited from disclosing, or using anyone as a conduit for the disclosure of, non-public, operational information received from a pipeline pursuant to § 284.12(b)(4) of this chapter to a third party or to its marketing function employees as that term is defined in § 358.3(d) of this chapter.

[78 FR 70187, Nov. 22, 2013]