



AGREEMENT FOR ENERGY MARKET ASSESSMENTS DURING EMERGENCIES

The Department of Energy (DOE) and the National Association of State Energy Officials (NASEO) do hereby agree to implement the following recommendations as outlined in the proposal submitted by NASEO on January 23, 1996:

1. The Department of Energy will develop, maintain, and distribute a contact list of State and Federal individuals responsible for energy market assessment and energy emergency response.

The list will be updated annually and include names, titles, organizations, addresses, phone and facsimile numbers, and Internet email addresses. The list will be shared with those individuals whose names appear on the list and should be made available through electronic access.

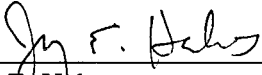
2. States will agree in advance to participate in this effort by providing timely assessment of energy markets in the event of a disruption. Prior commitments by participating States will ensure the implementation of an effective communication system. Assessments conducted by a State for an energy disruption will be provided to surrounding States and DOE. States who work with regional organizations during a particular energy emergency may, at their option, not use the hereby agreement.

Participating States shall provide assessments which may be generated at the State level or by DOE. Internet email and distribution lists will be the primary communications tools. States with Internet access should, whenever possible, maintain the ability to use EIA's Internet Website and EIA's CD-ROM, the Energy InfoDisk. States without Internet access should use facsimile transmission to DOE and other States in their region,

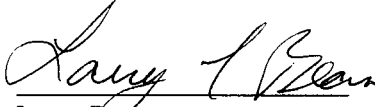
3. DOE will agree to provide in a timely manner to States an aggregated regional assessment of the effects of a market disruption when two or more States are affected. The assessment will draw upon information gathered by States as well as other information, data, or analysis available to DOE.

4. The communication system shall be tested by DOE and participating States at least once every two years.

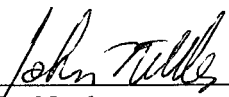
5. This agreement shall be evaluated two years following its implementation to determine if it should be continued or modified.



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