Draft Motion:

The OASIS Energy Market Information Exchange (EMIX) Technical Committee hereby resolves to respectfully request that the Blue Member Section Steering Committee modify the Blue Member Section Rules of Procedure (RoP) substantially as follows. We believe an affiliation vote will fail if these changes are not made and will succeed if these changes are made.

(1) In section (g) delete lines 97-106 and replace with the following text adapted from the eGov MS RoP, Emergency MS RoP, and IDtrust MS RoPs:

> OASIS Technical Committees may seek to affiliate with the Member Section as provided in the OASIS Member Section Policy and the Blue Member Section will be proactive in seeking such affiliations.

> Affiliated TCs may choose to operate under any of the IPR modes allowed by OASIS policies, and in language as indicated in their TC charters.

(2) In Section (h) delete lines 111-117.

Discussion of item (1):

Section (g) of the Blue MS RoP is more restrictive than any other OASIS member section, except for OpenCSA from which the text was adapted. OpenCSA was created to coordinate a group of closely related TCs. This level of coordination is not only impossible for existing TCs, it is not appropriate for the Blue Member Section. TCs such as Energy Interoperation that have dependencies, coordination, or liaisons with others include text in their charters, but not for joining a member section.

The provisions in (g) requiring certain texts in charters, which cannot be met by existing TCs without terminating the TC under the OASIS Technical Committee Process. This does not appear to be a "clarification of charter" under the TC Process.

The wording of IDtrust, eGov, Emergency, COSL, and CGM Member sections are substantially identical to the proposed text, except that some Member Sections require one of the Royalty-Free IPR modes. Since Energy Interoperation and EMIX have chosen RF on Limited Terms, this is not a burden. The Member Section Steering Committee should decide whether restrictions on IPR mode are appropriate.

Note that the Non-Assert mode is now available, and not mentioned in any Member Section RoP that imposes IPR restrictions on affiliated TCs.

The concrete exit criteria provision is copied from the Telecom MS RoP and the OpenCSA MS RoPs. Given the anticipated breadth of potentially affiliated TC scopes, these criteria are overly stringent. The OASIS liaison policy has similar policies for forwarding of specifications which may be inconsistent with the current text.

Discussion of item (2)

TCs that are already in existence were created with a specific schedule and work plan.

A Special Majority Vote of the Blue Steering Committee introduces additional schedule risk and complication to the plans of existing TCs such as Energy Interoperation. The provisions in the second two paragraphs of (h) are found *only* in OpenCSA, which exerts tight control over its affiliated TCs which were created together with the Member Section. This is not appropriate for the Blue member section.

Sections (g) and (h) of the Blue Member Section RoP:

(g) Any provisions that apply to affiliated OASIS Technical Committees
All Technical Committees affiliated with this Member Section that have normative specifications as their deliverables shall have Charters that require them to:

Closely coordinate with other TCs in the Member Section to ensure that related specifications are consistent and can be used with each other;

Define concrete exit criteria that shall include at least two independent offerings, for each of the TC's Final Deliverables, that implement and are compliant with all the normative portions of specifications and demonstrate interoperability and portability as appropriate. Note that these are minimums and that TCs are free to set more stringent criteria.

(h) Any other provisions
The Steering Committee will be responsible for ensuring that the work of its affiliated Technical Committees is coordinated and that the work output maintains coherence by careful evaluation of Charter proposal, TC affiliation, and requests to advance to OASIS Standard.

TCs affiliated with the OASIS Blue Member Section shall put TC Specifications before the OASIS general membership. for consideration as OASIS Standards, only if the Steering Committee agrees by a Special Majority vote.

Any document produced by a TC affiliated with the OASIS Blue Member Section that meets the submission requirements specified by the OASIS Liaison Policy may be submitted to another organization only if the Steering Committee approves the request by a Special Majority vote.

Member Section Rules of Procedure

The current OASIS Member section Rules of Procedure are available at the following links (to PDFs if available):

- OASIS Blue Member Section
- OASIS CGM Open Member Section
- OASIS Changfeng Open Standards Lab Member Section
- OASIS eGovernment Member Section
- OASIS Emergency Interoperability Member Section
- OASIS Identity and Trusted Infrastructure (IDtrust) Member Section
- OASIS LegalXML Member Section
- OASIS Open Composite Services Architecture Member Section
- OASIS Telecommunications Services Member Section