



Gas Industry Standards Board

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GAS INDUSTRY STANDARDS BOARD DRAFT 2002 ANNUAL PLAN

Item Description	Completion ¹	Assignment
Contracts		
1 Complete the development of the contract for purchases and sales of natural gas Develop the Mexican Addendum to the base contract for purchase and sales of natural gas.	3 rd Qtr	Contracts Subcommittee
2 Build an electronic contract for the base contract for purchase and sales of natural gas.	4 th Qtr	Contracts Subcommittee
Electronic Delivery Mechanisms and Related Activities		
3 Complete technical implementation of Sandia recommendations.	1 st Qtr	EDM Subcommittee
4 Explore additional possibilities for partnership with the Department of Energy similar to that of the Sandia report.	2 nd Qtr	EC Officers
5 Review and enhance security standards as required by technological changes.	2 nd Qtr	EDM Subcommittee
6 Develop XML technical implementation for base contract and for scheduling documents necessary to complete the pilot program.	4 th Qtr	XML Subcommittee
Standards Implementation		
7 Continue the implementation of FERC Order No. 637 standards as specified in the Order 637 work plan defined by the Order 637 GISB Action Subcommittee.	3 rd Qtr	Assigned by the EC
Provisional Activities²		
Examine report and determine if an "energy day" standard is needed, including assessment of changes to existing GISB standards.		

¹ Dates in the completion column are by end of the quarter for completion by the assigned committee. The dates do not necessarily mean that the standards are fully staffed so as to be implementable by the industry, and/or ratified by membership. If one item is completed earlier than planned, another item can begin earlier and possibly complete earlier than planned. There are no begin dates on the plan.

² To the extent that it is determined that any of the provisional activities should be worked upon during the year, the Board has the discretion to modify the annual plan.



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Determine if a standard transportation services agreement is needed and if so, develop it.		
Determine if a model financial hedging agreement is feasible and if so develop a model financial hedging agreement.		
Modify the Funds Transfer Agreement as necessary after several years of use.		
Develop standards as necessary to implement the FERC orders as a result of Docket Nos. RM96-1-019 (Partial Day Recalls) and RM01-10-000 (Affiliate Order).		
Program of Standards Maintenance & Fully Staffed Standards Work³		
Business Practice Requests	Ongoing	Assigned by the EC on a request by request basis
Continue review against plan for migration to ANSI ASC X12 new versions as needed and coordinate such activities with DISA.	Ongoing	ANSI (X12) Subcommittee
Information Requirements and Technical Mapping of Business Practices	Ongoing	Assigned by the EC on a request by request basis
Ongoing Interpretations for Clarifying Language Ambiguities	Ongoing	Assigned by the EC on a request by request basis
Ongoing Maintenance of Code Values and Other Technical Matters	Ongoing	Assigned by the EC on a request by request basis

- Notes: (a) Priority is given to action items that are carry-overs from the 2001 Annual Plan.
 (b) Any new activity should be preceded by a request from the submitter after which it will be revisited. The provisional items would only be addressed after a request is submitted or an order is issued by the FERC.

³ This work is considered routine maintenance and thus the items are not separately numbered.