

Attached are Aquila's comments relating to the above-referenced request. These comments were prepared by Trudy Stonacek, who has been designated as Aquila's EDM point person. As noted by Trudy, not all comments require action or review by GISB, only those which are in bold typeface.

I have reviewed the document and found it to be very thorough in describing all aspects of GISB standards and compliance. Some of the major points for me are listed below. I've noted which of these I would like you to address with GISB (bolded). The others are just FYI for Dave Christensen or myself.

\* The new information deals with the standards for Customer Activities Web sites, aka the pipeline EBB's which are to be Internet based as opposed to proprietary software. The standards are very detailed and provide an excellent guideline for pipelines to develop and organize their sites, and for shippers to know what to expect. I was glad to read that the Customer Activities Web sites must contain the same data as the EDI file formats, but may also contain data items derived from the standard data items. This will insure that by using EDI or online nominations the data will be the same. They go on to say the labels for the data items should be the same also. Good news.

\* Besides EDI or the Customer Activities Web sites, flat file exchanges are also acceptable. I wonder why the flat file method of correspondence is not as restrictive as the information contained in the EDI or Customer Activities Web sites. Page 10, principle 4.1.34 says it 'should reasonably correspond'. Why is there not the same correlation?

\* I was also pleased to read that the GISB Internet site has posted information about a pilot testing project and lessons learned from various companies through their testing procedures. This document also has a checklist of testing steps. I intend to review this information.

\* Pro's /Con's of using of VAN's was also good information to review as Aquila considers whether to begin using EDI nominations

\* I want to follow up with Network Services to discuss redundant ISP's and redundant connections to the ISP's.

\* Regarding data encryption, page 7 of the Business Process and Practices section mentions compatibility with PGP version 2.6 meets the minimum standard. I believe version 2.6 has been tagged as non-Y2K compatible. Should a more recent version of PGP be tagged as the minimum standard?

\* Use of common codes - standard 4.3.56 says the industry should use common location and entity codes. However, some pipelines today are using proprietary codes for points and legal entities. Does GISB plan to enforce the use of common codes?

\* The section on Frequently Asked Questions is helpful to companies becoming familiar with GISB standards.

\* Minimum hardware requirements suggest no less than 64 MB RAM. I believe that many UCU workstations are configured with only 32 MB RAM. Those people working with Customer Activities Web sites may need to be upgraded.

\* So there are 3 options for conducting electronic commerce over the Internet: EDI, flat files, and Customer Activities Web sites. Is a pipeline required to provide all 3 means of electronic commerce, or may they choose which method(s) they will provide? What is the timeline for these methods to be implemented? Does this include any and all GISB transaction types?

Please let me know if you need clarification or any additional information.

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