

To: BPS  
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Re: R98001

Columbia Gas Transmission would like BPS to discuss R98001.

Columbia Gas Transmission believes that the condition should be used to determine when a data element is used. We think the current condition for Associated Contract allows a trading partner to not include the data element, which is needed by Columbia Gas Transmission.

It is my opinion that the condition was developed based on Columbia Gas Transmission's original request for Associated Contract. The original request was to add Associated Contract only to the Nomination and the Scheduled Quantity. I think the condition was written to allow Columbia Gas Transmission to use Associated Contract on the Nomination and the Scheduled Quantity without requiring it on the PDA and Allocation.

Internal discussions indicate that, for Columbia Gas Transmission, the Associated Contract is mandatory on the PDA and Allocation when it is submitted on the nomination. This requirement is only valid when the Service Requester is allocating gas to the nomination line item.

Columbia Gas Transmission requests that the text " and mandatory for Service Requester provided PDAs when the Associated Contract was submitted in the Nomination and the allocation is to the nomination line item level" be added to the condition of Associated Contract for Standard 2.4.1. Also, Columbia Gas Transmission requests that the condition for Associated Contract in Standard 2.4.3 be changed to "Mandatory when provided in the PDA."