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TO: Business Practices Subcommittee (BPS) Chairs: Bill Hebenstreit, Greg Lander, Joyce Phillips, Robert McAnally, Kim Van Pelt
Posting for Interested Industry Participants

FROM: Rae McQuade, Executive Director

RE: Final Minutes from the Business Practices Subcommittee Meeting

DATE: August 1, 2000

GAS INDUSTRY STANDARDS BOARD
GISB BUSINESS PRACTICES SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING

Teleconference Call: June 26, 2000

FINAL MINUTES

1. Administrative

Ms. Van Pelt welcomed the participants, identified the participants in a roll call, gave the antitrust advice and chaired the meeting.

The agenda was adopted as posted.

2. Review of Order No. 637 Action Item BPS Priority 1 for discussion and possible vote:

Change data sets to accommodate rates in excess of TSP's max rate. (Affects GISB Standard Nos. 5.4.1, 5.4.2, 5.4.7, 5.4.8, 5.4.9.)

Each of the Capacity Release standards, interpretations, and data elements were reviewed one by one. The following results were recorded. Mr. Young motioned and Mr. Keisler seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Modify the standards as follows:

5.3.22 ~~For less than maximum rate transactions only, c~~Converting a daily rate to a monthly rate is accomplished by multiplying the daily rate times the number of days in the rate period, dividing the result by the number of months in the rate period, ~~and~~ taking the remainder out to 5 decimals places, and rounding up or down to the transporter's specified decimal place.

Converting a monthly rate to a daily rate is accomplished by multiplying the monthly rate by the number of months in the rate period, dividing the result by the number of days in the rate period, ~~and~~ taking the remainder out to 5 decimals places, and rounding up or down to the transporter's specified decimal place.



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Modify the data dictionaries as follows:

In Capacity Release data set 5.4.1 Offer Download, modify the data element Maximum Rate as follows:

Offer Download, 5.4.1

Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
Maximum <u>Tariff</u> Rate	The maximum tariff rate allowed for the Rate Identification Code specified.	SO	

In data sets 5.4.3 Award Download, 5.4.7 Offer Upload, 5.4.9 Offer Upload Notification, modify the data element Maximum Rate as follows:

Award Download, 5.4.3

Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
Maximum <u>Tariff</u> Rate	The maximum tariff rate allowed for the Rate Identification Code or Surcharge Identification Code specified.	M	

Offer Upload 5.4.7

Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
Maximum <u>Tariff</u> Rate	The maximum tariff rate allowed for the Rate Identification Code or Surcharge Identification Code specified.	BC	

Offer Upload Notification 5.4.9

Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
Maximum <u>Tariff</u> Rate	The maximum tariff rate allowed for the Rate Identification Code or Surcharge Identification Code specified.	C	Mandatory when present and processed in the original Offer Upload or when this document is sent by the transportation service provider.



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In the data set 5.4.3 Award Download, modify the data element Award Percentage of Maximum Rate as follows:

Award Download, 5.4.3

Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
Award Percentage of Maximum <i>Tariff</i> Rate	The percentage of maximum tariff rate per unit of the Rate Identification Code or Surcharge Identification Code specified.	C	Mandatory when the Bidder Designation of Bidding Basis is 'percentage of maximum tariff rate'.

In the data sets 5.4.1 Offer Download and 5.4.7 Offer Upload, modify the code value descriptions for the data element Lesser Rate Indicator as follows:

Document Name and No.: Offer Download 5.4.1, Offer Upload 5.4.7

Data Element: Lesser Rate Indicator

Code Value Description	Code Value Definition	Code Value
Releasing shipper will accept bids for less than the maximum <i>tariff</i> rate.		Y
Releasing shipper will not accept bids for less than the maximum <i>tariff</i> rate.		N

In the data sets 5.4.1 Offer Download and 5.4.7 Offer Upload, modify the data element Minimum Acceptable Percentage of Maximum Rate as follows:

Offer Download 5.4.1, Offer Upload 5.4.7

Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
Minimum Acceptable Percentage of Maximum <i>Tariff</i> Rate	The minimum acceptable percentage of <i>the</i> maximum <i>tariff</i> rate per unit of the rate form specified that the releasing shipper will entertain.	C	Mandatory when the Lesser Rate Indicator is 'y', and the Releaser Designation of Acceptable Bidding Basis is 'absolute dollars and cents per unit basis' or 'either'.



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In the data sets 5.4.2 Bid Download, 5.4.7 Offer Upload, and 5.4.9 Offer Upload Notification, modify the data element Percentage of Maximum Rate Bid as follows:

Bid Download, 5.4.2, Offer Upload 5.4.7, Offer Upload Notification 5.4.9

Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
Percentage of Maximum <i>Tariff</i> Rate Bid	The percentage of <i>the</i> maximum <i>tariff</i> rate bid per the Rate Identification Code or Surcharge Identification Code specified.	C	Mandatory when the Bidder Designation of Bidding Basis is 'percentage of maximum tariff rate'.

Instructions to IR:

Instruct Information Requirements Subcommittee to develop appropriate Validation Codes and descriptions for the Capacity Release Quick Response data sets to address the removal of the maximum rate cap criteria for certain releases.

IV. Next Meeting and Agenda

There is no scheduled follow-up meeting at this time.

VI. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned without objection.



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Meeting Attendees and Voting Record

Segment	Company	Voting	GISB Member	Vote 1
Pipelines:				
Dale Davis	Williams Gas Pipeline	X	X	Y
Theresa Hess	Enron – Transwestern	X	X	Y
Kim Van Pelt	CMS-Panhandle	X	X	Y
Tammy Hopkins	Enron – FGT	X	X	Y
Stephanie Marks	Dominion Transmission		X	--
Jim Keisler	Williams Gas Pipeline		X	--
Stephanie LeCureaux	ANR	X	X	Y
Twyla Strogon	Dominion Transmission	X	X	Y
Marcy McCain	Algonquin Gas	X	X	Y
Clancy Ashbrenner	CIG	X	X	Y
Tom Gwilliam	Iroquois	X	X	Y
Karen Gossett	Koch Gateway Pipeline	X	X	absent
Services:				
Debra Stubblefield	Corocoran Law Office	X	X	Y
Randy Young	Koch Midstream	X	X	Y
Producers:				
End Users:				
Bill Hebenstreit	El Paso Merchant Energy	X	X	Y
LDC's:				

Bold signifies a BPS Chair