

Gas Industry Standards Board

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TO: Business Practices Subcommittee Chairs, Interested Industry Participants
FROM: Rae McQuade, Executive Director
RE: Final Minutes from the Business Practices Subcommittee Meeting
DATE: October 5, 2000

1. Administrative

Mr. Lander gave the anti-trust advice. The Agenda was modified. The draft minutes of September 14 and September 7, 2000 were deferred until the October 19, 2000 meeting.

2. Review of the following Special Request from the Executive Committee:

“Deal with the LDC issues raised in their comments to the EC”

“Hold a meeting to identify the issues and then hold a face-to-face to develop a recommendation that will be presented to the EC in Colorado Springs at its October meeting.”

Greg Lander’s words with respect to the meeting’s process and the list established from the meeting to identify issues to be addressed and discussed.

The presence of an issue on the below list does not pre-determine its outcome or resolution. The purpose of assembling the list was to get on the table the issues that were on peoples’ minds and the concerns which made these items as contentious as they appeared to be. What follows are three groupings of related but distinct issues identified during the call with respect to existing standard(s) (or the perceived absence of standard(s)) and practices associated with “releasing” and “recalling/reputting” as these (or missing/needed) standard(s) are believed to be impacted by Order 637. The third grouping is Index of Customers.

Group 1 “Releasing”:

1. Whether there are reason(s) that replacement shippers (acquiring shippers) should have to wait for a contract on biddable deals.
2. Should GISB standards conform with Order 637?
3. Is there a need to be able to have bidding timelines on all deals of all durations?
4. Do we want to have bidding this afternoon and nomination for flow at the start of the 9:00 AM Gas day tomorrow?
5. Want to complete a biddable release for nomination at the next nomination cycle.

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6. Why is bidding important?
7. Comparability should be the issue and not whether it is biddable or not.
8. There are issues with respect to the bidding timelines whenever bidding is required. The two cases where this applies are: deal durations less than one year and more than 31 days as well as where bidding is required due to "rollover(s)". The issue is the length of time between deal consummation, nomination and flow from that nomination when bidding is required.
9. Should the GISB definition of short term (less than 5 months) and the FERC definition of Short term (less than 1 year) be reconciled? Or, is it OK to keep the 5 months plus deal duration time line as long as it is not inconsistent with the FERC definition of long term deal duration and associated timeline.
10. There is no issue with the under 31 day non-biddable deal time lines, other than the 30 minutes adjustment to posting time and contract tendering time proposed by the LDC's work paper.
11. What is meant by Partial Day release?

Group 2 "Recalling/Reputting":

1. Is there such a thing as a "partial day recall"?
2. What is meant by the phrase "partial day recall"?
3. Is there a difference between normal recall, late recall and flowing recall?
4. Should releasers and acquirers agree in advance to the types of recalls that are in the contract?
5. To what extent should TSP's be involved in the types of recalls that are in a contract?
6. Should there be a later deadline for recalling recallable capacity?
7. Should there be another, later deadline for a different type of recall?
8. Should there be a GISB Standard established for "partial day recalls"?
9. Should GISB Standard 5.3.6 be modified to include "partial day recalls" and to modify the existing notice timeline?
10. Should there be standardized alternative(s) to the existing type of recall?

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11. Should previously negotiated releases involving recall be impacted by action taken with respect to new or different types of recalls?
12. Should there be limits of any kind on the types of recalls negotiated between releasers and replacement shippers?
13. What is meant by "reputting"?
14. Should 5.3.7 be modified to eliminate the prohibition on "partial day recall"?
15. Should 5.3.7 be modified to permit releasing shippers with recall rights exercise such rights at any time by notifying the TSP?
16. Should 5.3.7 be modified to explicitly allow the recalling shipper to nominate at the next available nomination deadline following recall notification?
17. Should 5.3.7 be reviewed in the light of any changes to the other recall and "reput" standards?
18. Should the reference to "reputting" be removed from 5.3.7?
19. Should Order 637 guide how we determine these issues?

Group 3 Index of Customers:

1. Should 4.3.35 be revised to eliminate ambiguity and discord?
2. Should 4.3.35 be revised to mirror the FERC layout requirements?

2. Next meeting and agenda BPS Order 637 Issues

1. Administrative:
2. The list of Releasing and recalling issues
3. Next meeting and agenda
4. Adjourn

The meeting Adjourned at 3:37 pm Central Time

Next meeting for these topics is October 10, 2000 1:00 PM in Colorado Springs

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Meeting Attendees and Voting Record

Attendee	Organization	Voting?	GISB Member?
Pipelines:			
Stephanie LeCureaux	ANR	✓	✓
Clancy Aschbrenner	CIG	✓	✓
Bill Griffith	CIG		✓
Kim Van Pelt	CMS - Panhandle Eastern	✓	✓
Betty Barnum	CMS - Panhandle Eastern		✓
Mark Wilke	CMS -- Trunkline	✓	✓
Iris King	Dominion Transmission	✓	✓
Kathryn Burch	Duke - Texas Eastern	✓	✓
Todd Hudson	El Paso Natural Gas	✓	✓
Sally Turley	El Paso Natural Gas		✓
Tammy Hopkins	Enron - FGT	✓	✓
Mary Draemer	Enron - Northern Natural	✓	✓
Theresa Hess	Enron - Transwestern	✓	✓
Randy Young	Koch Gateway	✓	✓
Mark Gracey	Tennessee Gas Pipeline	✓	✓
Jim Keisler	Williams Gas Pipeline		✓
Dale Davis	Williams Gas Pipeline	✓	✓
Kurt Link	Williston Basin	✓	✓
Services:			
Gina McMahon	BTU Watch	✓	✓
Greg Lander	CapacityCenter.com	✓	✓
Sue Wasilewski	Skipping Stone Technology Properties		✗
Producers:			
End Users:			
Bill Hebenstreit	El Paso Merchant Energy	✓	✓
Joel Greene	Salt River Project	✓	✓
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Jane Lewis	AGA		N/a
Jim Taylor	Atlanta Gas Light	✓	✓
Steve Sullivan	ConEd	✓	✓
Delores Chezar	KeySpan	✓	✓
Mike Novak	National Fuel Gas Dist.	✓	✓
Bill Oppenheim	PECO	✓	✓

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