

# 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: December 8, 2000**

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**GISB BUSINESS PRACTICES SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Teleconference Call: December 8, 2000 1:30 – 3:30 pm**  
**FINAL MINUTES**

**1. Administrative**

Ms Van Pelt gave the anti-trust advice. The Agenda was adopted as posted. The draft minutes of November 30, 2000 were reviewed and adopted as amended.

**2. IR Questions**

**IR Question to BPS Regarding Request R97094 (see discussion from 11/30/2000 BPS Minutes)**

The Information Requirements Subcommittee addressed request R97094 at a recent meeting. That request reads as follows:

Transco proposes that two (2) data elements be added to the Payment Remittance (Standard 3.4.2) dataset to provide a means of communicating the ABA Number (bank identification code) and the bank account number to which payment was made. These fields should carry a Usage Code of Conditional [C] and be required when the Payment Method Code (new data element, see previous Transco request) indicates that the payment is being made by means of the Automated Clearing House or as a Wire Transfer.

During the IR discussion of this request, certain issues were raised, and IR determined the need to send the following questions to BPS. Could you please respond to us at your earliest convenience?

- If the ABA Number and Bank Account Number are to be returned to the payee in the Remittance, they should be first communicated to the payer in the Invoice. IR suggests adding the ABA Number and the Bank Account Number to the Transportation/Sales Invoice as well as the Service Requester Level Charge/Allowance Invoice because there are no directly corresponding data elements in those data sets.
- How does Electronic Funds Transfer Address play into this issue?
- If we add a "Payee's Bank Account Number" to the Remittance, then the existing "Account Number" in the Transportation/Sales Invoice, the Service Requester Level Charge/Allowance Invoice, and the Payment Remittance may need clarification.

**BPS Discussion:**

It was discussed that the payee's bank ABA number and payee's bank account number should be added to the Transportation/Sales Invoice as sender's option and returned in the Payment

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## Meeting Attendees and Voting Record

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<b>Attendee</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Vote 1 (nv) – not voting</b>	<b>GISB Member?</b>
<b>Pipelines:</b>			
<b>Kim Van Pelt</b>	<b>CMS – Panhandle Eastern</b>	✓	✓
Kathryn Burch	Duke Energy – Texas Eastern	✓	✓
Tammy Hopkins	Enron – FGT	✓	✓
Theresa Hess	Enron – Transwestern	✓	✓
Dale Davis	Williams Gas Pipeline	✓	✓
Jim Keisler	Williams Gas Pipeline	(nv)	✓ (nv)
Clancy Aschbrenner	Colorado Interstate Gas	✓	✓
Stephanie Lecureaux	ANR Pipeline	✓	✓
Tom Gwilliam	Iroquois	✓	✓
<b>Services:</b>			
Gina McMahon	BTU Watch	Abstain	✓
<b>Producers:</b>			
<b>End Users:</b>			
<b>LDCs:</b>			
Audrey Bragg	Washington Gas	✓	✓
<b>Associations:</b>			
Mariam Arnaout	AGA	(nv)	✓ (nv)

**Bold signifies a BPS Chair**