



Gas Industry Standards Board

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TO: Executive Committee (EC) and Alternates, Posting on the GISB home page for interested industry participants

FROM: Rae McQuade, Executive Director

RE: NOTATIONAL BALLOT FOR PROPOSED STANDARDS CONSIDERED ON JANUARY 9, 1997

Because the Executive Committee meeting held on January 9 did not have two representatives available from each segment, a notational ballot is held open until January 17 for those EC members absent. The notational ballot is also for EC members to record their votes for the proposed standards that were presented on January 9, but due to time constraints were not put up for a vote. For those EC members present at the voting, you only need to vote on the items that do not have a designation of P (passed), F (failed), or * (procedural) on the ballot.

The votes recorded are attached along with the ballot. The ballot may have multiple votes per proposed standard -- following the action of the EC on January 9. Please vote on each item. An indication of whether the proposed standard language passed is shown on with the proposed language. If the EC vote indicates "fails", then the proposed standard did not pass by two votes per segment for those segments that had at least two members present, or there as a significant number of "no" votes from the EC members. If the EC vote indicates "passes", then the proposed standard had at least two votes per segment of those segments with representation, and had a significant number of "yes" votes.

The requests that were not voted on by the EC due to time constraints show the language of the recommendation, but no indication of an EC vote.

For further support while you are determining your votes, the full text of the comments can be accessed from the home page in separate documents, and the commentary can also be accessed from the home page. The full text of the recommendations can also be accessed from the home page. The GISB office can assist you in accessing these documents if needed.

Please return your ballot by end of business January 17.



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R96005 DEVELOP STANDARDS FOR GAS METERED VOLUME STATEMENTS

- EC Recommendation : Adopt the Measured Volume Audit Statement defined below:
 Preamble: The measured volume audit statement would be fully mutually agreeable for those parties that wish to request and to provide measured volume audit statements.
- EC Vote 1: Vote on the request as a model with the preamble using the word model in the preamble
 Fails
- EC Vote 2: Vote on the request as a standard with the preamble
 Fails
- EC Vote 3: Vote on the request as a standard without the preamble
 Fails

Measured Volume Audit Statement Data Dictionary

Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
Statement Type	Specifies the statement as original, replacement or advance notification.	M	
Statement Date/Time	Date and time statement was produced	M	
Beginning Flow Date/time	The date and time on which this measurement was taken.	M	
Ending Flow Date/Time	Date and time at which the measurement ended	M	
Meter Operator*	The party contractually responsible for the measurement of gas at a meter	M	
Meter ID	The Operator's ID number for the measurement device being reported	M	Proprietary meter number
Device Station Number	The station number assigned to this device by the operator	M	
Upstream Party*	Identifies the party from whom gas is flowing	SO	
Downstream Party*	Identifies the party to whom gas is flowing	SO	
Contact Person	The name and telephone number of the contact for questions regarding the reported measurement information	M	
Physical Meter Effective Date	The effective date of physical meter information	M	
Measured Quantity	The quantity as measured in MMBTU's .	M	
Business Period	Current or prior period indicator	M	Default is Current
Tube Inside Diameter	The inside diameter measurement of the tube	C	Conditional on meter type
Maximum Static Pressure Range	Specifies the maximum value of the static pressure range	M	



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Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
Minimum Static Pressure Range	Specifies the minimum value of the static pressure range	M	
Maximum Differential Pressure	Specifies the maximum value of the differential pressure	C	Used only for orifice meters. Conditional on meter type
Orifice Diameter	Measurement of the diameter of the orifice plate.	C	Conditional on meter type
Chart Revolution Time	Specifies the chart revolution time for this metering device	C	Conditional on meter type
Reporting Pressure Base	Pressure base used in reporting volume in MCF's	M	Default is 14.73
Reporting Temperature	Temperature used to report volume if different from actual temperature.	C	Used only if different than actual temperature. Conditional on temperature (31)
Temperature Range Maximum	The maximum temperature range for the recorder.	SO	
Temperature Range Minimum	The minimum temperature range for the recorder	SO	
Atmospheric Pressure	The site atmospheric pressure measurement	SO	
Flow Period	The length of time flow	M	
Tap Location	The location of the meter tap. Locations are upstream or downstream.	C	
Component Percentage	The percentage of a component of gas	SO	
Heating Factor	Quality information for measurement in MMBTU	BC	Mandatory for measurement in Dekatherms.
Specific Gravity	The ratio of the weight of a given volume of a substance at a given temperature to the weight of an equal volume of a standard substance at the same temperature.	M	
Temperature	The temperature of the gas flow	SO	
Static Pressure	The static pressure (PSIA) for the meter during the flow period	C	Conditional on meter type
Differential Pressure	The differential pressure for the meter during the flow period	C	Conditional on meter type
Tap Type	Identifies the tap as flange or pipe	C	Conditional on meter type Tap types are flange and pipe
Meter Status	Identifies the meter as active, removed, or on standby	M	Default is active.



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Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
Number Dials	Specifies the number of dials for a positive meter	C	Used for positive meters only. Conditional on meter type.
Volume Cycle	Identifies the volume cycle for a positive meter	C	Used for positive meters only. Conditional on meter type.
Chromatograph	Specifies the source of gas quality information. (Sample device is Chromatograph)	C	
Volume	The quantity of gas expressed in MCF.	M	
Flow Rate	The flow rate EFM orifice meter.	C	
Coefficient	Provides coefficient factor	C	
Integrated Differential	Provides the integrated differential	C	Not used for EFM orifice or positive meters. Conditional on meter type.
Index Differential	Provides the indexed differential	C	Not used for EFM orifice or positive meters. Conditional on meter type.
Pressure Factor	Specifies the pressure factor for positive meter measurement.	BC	Used for positive meters only.
Sample Type	Specifies the sample as spot or accumulated	C	Used only when quality information is provided. Conditional on sample device .
Gas Analysis Effective Date	Specifies the date the gas quality information was determined	BC	Mandatory when quality information is provided.
Date/Time On	Specifies the date and time for which measurement began	C	Conditional on meter type - chart
Date/Time Off	Specifies the date and time for which measurement ended	C	Conditional on meter type - chart
Component	Identifies the gas component being reported	BC	Mandatory when quality information is provided.
Meter Type	Identifies the type of meter being used.	M	
PI Data Ref. Number	Nominatable point as defined in the PI Data Reference Number Database	SO	
Machine Constant	Conversion factor for scanners or analyzers	C	Conditional on meter type - chart
Sample Device	Type of equipment used for sampling	M	
Static Pressure Indicator	Indicates the starting point for measuring Static pressure. Gauge starts at zero and absolute starts at 14.4 PSI	M	Default is PSIA.



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Ending Date	This is the last date that the transaction is to finish. It includes the century.	M	
Ending Time	This is the time at which the transaction is to finish. If the Ending Time is not sent, the time defaults to the end of the gas day.	M	
Location *	The location where the quantity will be scheduled by the transportation service provider.	M	
Package ID	Service Requester assigned identification number used to differentiate between discrete business transactions.	C	Mandatory when present in the confirmation process. This element is not needed when the Confirmation Requester's Tracking Number is used.
Preparer ID *	The name and address of the business party preparing the report.	M	
Quantity	The amount expressed is a quantity per gas day in standard units.	M	
Reduction Reason	A code identifying the reason that the nominated quantity has been rejected or reduced.	SO	
Service Requester *	Identifies the party requesting the service or their agent.	C	Mandatory when present in the confirmation process.
Service Requester Contract	This is the contract under which service is being requested.	C	Mandatory when present in the confirmation process.
Statement Recipient ID *	Required if 'Receipt' is specified in Contractual Flow Indicator. This element is not needed when the Confirmation Requester's Tracking Number is used.	M	
Upstream Contract Identifier	This field identifies the contract of the party who is supplying the quantities to the service requester.	C (BC)	Mandatory when present in the confirmation process. This element is not needed when the Confirmation Requester's Tracking Number is used.
Upstream Identifier Code *	This field identifies the party who is supplying the quantities to the service requester.	C	Required if 'Receipt' is specified in Contractual Flow Indicator. This element is not needed when the Confirmation Requester's Tracking Number is used.

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R96011 MODIFY SCHEDULED QUANTITY TRANSACTION TO SUPPORT ADDITIONAL VALUES FOR REDUCTION REASON CODE

EC Recommendation : These additional Reduction Reasons are necessary to specify the reason that a nomination quantity has been rejected or reduced. (Code values follow)

CODE VALUES REQUEST # R96011 PROPOSED REVISIONS --Scheduled Quantity --

Business Name	Usage	Code Value	Code Value Description
Reduction Reason	SO	Balanced Corrected Routes	Change to scheduled quantity that results from a correction and is made in a manner that scheduled receipts and deliveries remain in balance.
Reduction Reason	SO	Unbalanced Corrected Routes	Change to scheduled quantity that results from a correction and is made in a manner that scheduled receipts and deliveries are out of balance.

R96012 MODIFY CONFIRMATION AND CONFIRMATION RESPONSE TRANSACTIONS TO SUPPORT RECEIPT RANK AND DELIVERY RANK DATA ELEMENT

EC Recommendation : These data elements should be added to the confirmation process to add flexibility to the confirming parties' business process of confirming gas transactions. The Usage Code and Condition used in the confirmation documents are different from that of the Nomination. (Data Dictionary follows)

EC Vote: Passes

Request for Confirmation - DATA DICTIONARY REQUEST # R96012 PROPOSED REVISIONS

Business Name	Definition	Usage (E-2)	Condition
Receipt Rank (Priority)	This is the scheduling rank (priority) assigned to the quantities on the downstream side of the flange at the receipt location. Priority 1 means the highest priority. Priorities 2, 3, etc. are in descending order of priority. Quantities assigned the same rank will be scheduled on a pro rata basis.	MA	Provided by the Confirmation Requester
Delivery Rank (Priority)			

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**R96013 MODIFY NOMINATIONS AND SCHEDULED QUANTITY TRANSACTIONS TO
SUPPORT ADDITIONAL VALUES FOR TRANSACTION TYPES**

EC Recommendation : These code values allow customers to designate: (1) nominated overruns on their injections into and withdrawals out of storage; (2) extended receipt/delivery service. Transaction Type is 'mandatory' in the Nomination and 'conditional' in the Scheduled Quantity document. (Data dictionary follows)

EC Vote: Passes.

CODE VALUES REQUEST # R96013 PROPOSED REVISIONS Nomination --

Business Name	Usage	Code Value	Code Value Description
Transaction Type	M	Authorized injection overrun	Storage injections above contract capacity rights.
Transaction Type	M	Authorized withdrawal overrun	Storage withdrawals above contract capacity rights.
Transaction Type	M	Extended Receipt/Delivery Service	Service requester seeks to nominate beyond the zone(s) or outside the path(es) of their primary contractual rights.

CODE VALUES REQUEST # R96013 PROPOSED REVISIONS Scheduled Quantity --

Business Name	Usage	Code Value	Code Value Description
Transaction Type	C	Authorized Injection Overrun	Storage injections above contract capacity rights.
Transaction Type	C	Authorized Withdrawal Overrun	Storage withdrawals above contract capacity rights.
Transaction Type	C	Extended Receipt/Delivery Service	Service requester seeks to nominate beyond the zone(s) or outside the path(es) of their primary contractual rights.



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R96014 MODIFY NOMINATIONS TRANSACTION TO SUPPORT OFFER TYPE DATA ELEMENT

EC Recommendation1: When used on the nomination, this data element allows the shipper to choose from multiple transportation arrangements.

Associated Revisions: Appropriate error/warning messages will be added to the Quick Response. (Data Dictionary follows)

EC Vote 1: Fails

EC Recommendation 2: As stated above with mutually agreeable.

EC Vote 2: Passes

Nominations Data Dictionary Proposed Changes

Business Name	Definition	Usage (E-2)	Condition
Deal Type	A Transportation Service Provider supplied identifier which allows the Service Requester to specify the specific transportation arrangement under a contract and receipt/delivery. The transportation arrangements may vary in terms of rates, volume commitments, fuel requirements or other terms offered by the Transportation Service Provider.	BC	Used if the Transportation Service Provider offers the ability for different arrangements under a contract and receipt/delivery.

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Scheduled Quantity Data Dictionary Proposed Changes

Business Name	Definition	Usage (E-2)	Condition
Deal Type	A Transportation Service Provider supplied identifier which allows the Service Requester to specify the specific transportation arrangement under a contract and receipt/delivery. The transportation arrangements may vary in terms of rates, volume commitments, fuel requirements or other terms offered by the Transportation Service Provider.	C	Mandatory when submitted in the original Nomination. This element is not needed when the Nominator's Tracking Number is used.

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**R96015 MODIFY NOMINATIONS TRANSACTION TO SUPPORT FUEL METHOD INDICATOR
TYPE DATA ELEMENT**

EC Recommendation 1: Do not modify Nominations Transaction to support fuel method indicator type data element. The requested data element (Fuel Method Indicator) would allow shippers to specify their intent with respect to fuel. The Market Execution Task Force determined that this information can be handled using the Transaction Type and, therefore, a new data element is not necessary.

EC Vote 1: Fails

EC Recommendation 2: Provide a third value in the quantity type indicator field in the nominations transaction. This indicator identifies whether it is the receipt or delivery quantity on the nomination that is kept whole. The valid values for this field are R- Receipt, D- Delivery, and B- Both. The value B indicates the customer intention to have both quantities kept whole.

EC Vote 2: Passes

**R96017 MODIFY OFFER, BID REVIEW, AWARD NOTICE, AND UPLOAD OF
PRE-ARRANGED DEALS TRANSACTIONS TO SUPPORT MAXIMUM
APPALACHIAN RECEIPT QUANTITY DATA ELEMENT.**

EC Recommendation : Do not modify Offer, Bid Review, Award Notice, and Upload of Pre-Arranged Deals Transactions to support maximum Appalachian receipt quantity data element. The Capacity Release Team thinks this is an educational issue and recommends that the current data sets already contain the necessary data elements and looping structure to support maximum Appalachian receipt quantity. Since rate differences can also be handled via the same manner and releases can be accommodated separately, this quantity field can be handled within the current structure. The gas transaction point will identify it as an Appalachian Aggregate point and thus the quantity as an MARQ. The request is replaced by R96086, which will be addressed by the Executive Committee later this year.

EC Vote: Passes



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**R96020 MODIFY NOMINATIONS QUICK RESPONSE TRANSACTION TO SUPPORT
ADDITIONAL ERROR CODES**

EC Recommendation : Do not modify Nominations Quick Response Transaction to support additional error codes. The requested Validation Code value would inform the nominating party that the nomination being submitted is already in the Transportation Service Provider's system with a status of 'rejected'. This request was recommended to be rejected by Market Execution Task Force because the GISB Standard 1.3.7 states: "All nominations should be considered original nominations and should be replaced to be changed. ...", and thus, the nomination should be rejected again using the existing Quick Response Validation Code values. A new code value is not required.

**R96021 MODIFY CAPACITY RELEASE OFFER, UPLOAD OF PRE-ARRANGED DEALS,
UPLOAD OF PRE-ARRANGED DEALS NOTIFICATIONS, AWARD TRANSACTIONS
TO SUPPORT SECOND FIELD FOR STORAGE RELEASES DATA ELEMENT**

EC Recommendation : Do not modify Capacity Release Offer, Upload of Pre-Arranged Deals, Upload of Pre-Arranged Deals Notifications, Award Transactions to support second field for storage releases data element. The Market Initiation Task Force determined that the current data sets will fulfill the business needs and that a more detailed analysis will be undertaken after RM96-14. The requester did express doubts that the current data elements will meet their needs. The requester was encouraged by the task force to present new information via a new Request if they continue to have doubts with the current data structure.

EC Vote: Passes.

**R96022 MODIFY SEVERAL STANDARDS FROM DISPOSITION OF PRINCIPLE TO
DISPOSITION OF STANDARD**

EC Recommendation: Postpone decision until the Business Practices Subcommittee has prepared a recommendation. The recommendation would be prepared and sent back to the EC for consideration. Through the GISB process, other issues could be addressed including the standing of principles versus standards, and the review of other principles in light of a conversion to the designation of standard. No text of the language in each principle would be change, only the designation of standard or principle.

Procedural Vote: 19 votes in favor, none in opposition.



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R96023 MODIFY NOMINATIONS RELATED STANDARDS TO INCLUDE STORAGE CONTRACT NUMBER DATA ELEMENT

EC Recommendation : METF decided on the generic term 'balancing agreement' in place of 'storage contract' to allow for usage by more parties.
EC Vote: Passes

Nomination - DATA DICTIONARY REQUEST # R96023 PROPOSED REVISIONS

Business Name	Definition	Usage (E-2)	Condition
Balancing Contract	Contract that Service Provider will use to balance the difference between actual receipts and actual deliveries.	MA	Used when Service Provider allows for automatic balancing of the transaction.

* Indicates Common Code

Scheduled Quantity - DATA DICTIONARY REQUEST # R96023 PROPOSED REVISIONS

Business Name	Definition	Usage (E-2)	Condition
Balancing Contract	Contract that Service Provider will use to balance the difference between actual receipts and actual deliveries.	C	Mandatory when submitted in the original Nomination. This data element is not needed when the Nominator's Tracking Number is used.

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R96024 MODIFY NOMINATIONS RELATED STANDARDS TO PROVIDE RECEIPT AS WELL AS DELIVERED QUANTITY DATA ELEMENTS

EC Recommendation: Adopt the original request to modify the nominations related standards to provide receipt as well as delivered quantity data elements.
EC Vote: Passes

R96025 MODIFY NOMINATIONS RELATED STANDARDS TO PROVIDE TITLE TRANSFER CODE FOR TRANSACTION TYPE DATA ELEMENT

EC Recommendation : Postpone action due to efforts currently underway by the Title Transfer Tracking Pilot Testing Task Force.
Procedural Vote: Passes



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**R96027 DEVELOP CONFIRMED QUANTITY TRANSACTION AS PART OF THE
NOMINATIONS RELATED STANDARDS**

EC Recommendation : This new document would be used to transmit preliminary scheduled quantities. Transportation Service Provider would send to Service Requester after nominations have been validated and before final scheduled quantities are available. Instead of a new document, METF recommends adding a code value to the current Scheduled Quantity document to indicate whether scheduled quantities are preliminary. Status of quantity can be specified at the document level. This will be a revision to the 'BCA' segment of the X12 transaction set.

**R96029 MODIFY THE NOMINATIONS, QUICK RESPONSE, AND SCHEDULED QUANTITY
TRANSACTIONS TO ADD AGENT AND SHIPPER DATA ELEMENTS**

EC Recommendation : Do not modify the Nominations, Quick Response, and Scheduled Quantity Transactions to add agent and shipper data elements

EC Vote: Passes

**R96030 MODIFY THE INVOICING RELATED STANDARDS TO ADD THREE NEW DATA
ELEMENTS, PAID AMOUNT - FLOW PERIOD, BEGINNING FLOW DATE/TIME,
ENDING FLOW DATE/TIME TO COMPLY WITH GISB STANDARD 3.3.21**

EC Recommendation: Replace GISB Std. 3.3.21 with the following:
The Statement of Account should report outstanding balances by invoice.

EC Vote: Passes

**R96031 MODIFY THE SCHEDULED QUANTITY TRANSACTION BY ADDING A DATA
ELEMENT FOR THE STATUS OF "NOT CONFIRMED"**

EC Recommendation: Support the original request to add a data element for the status of "not confirmed".

EC Vote: Fails



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R96032 MODIFY THE NOMINATIONS RELATED STANDARDS TO ADD ADDITIONAL CODES TO THE REDUCTION REASON AND TRANSACTION TYPE DATA ELEMENTS

EC Recommendation : This request deals with code values for two data elements -- 'Reduction Reason' and 'Transaction Type'. Therefore, METF addressed as two separate requests and took a Sense of the Room for each set of code values. Many of the requested code values are either covered by an existing code value or were withdrawn by the requester. The attached tables reflect the new code values. The official definitions will be developed by METF at a later date. The additional 'Reduction Reason' code values will be used to specify the reason that a nomination quantity has been rejected or reduced. The additional 'Transaction Type' code values will be used to nominate different types of transactions. Requested code values that are withdrawn or covered by existing code values:

Reduction Reasons:

Prior Period Adjustment	withdrawn
Poor Shipper Credit	existing 'Credit Issues'
Cross Ref. Nom Does Not Exist	existing 'Contract Balancing'
Capacity Recalled	existing 'Exceeded Contract MDQ'
Customer Request	withdrawn
Previous Imbalance Exists	existing 'Contract Balancing'
True Up Enforced	existing 'Contract Balancing'

Transaction Types:

OBA - Current Month Correction	existing 'Imbalance Payback from Pipeline' and 'Imbalance Payback to Pipeline'
Manual - Internal Only	withdrawn
Overrun for Storage Injection	existing 'Injection with Authorized Overrun'
Overrun for Storage Withdrawal	existing 'Withdrawal with Authorized Overrun'
Parking	existing 'Park'
OBA - Prior Month Correction	existing 'Imbalance Payback from Pipeline' and 'Imbalance Payback to Pipeline'
Swing for GSS with FTNN (Storage)	withdrawn
Swing for Pooling	withdrawn
Seasonal Overrun for Storage Injection	withdrawn
Swing for OBA	withdrawn
Storage Transfer - Injection Party	withdrawn
Storage Transfer - Withdrawal Party	withdrawn

Nomination (Usage "M") and Scheduled Quantity (Usage "C") Proposed Code Value Changed

Business Name	Usage	Code Value	Code Value Description
Transaction Type		Meter Bounce (Was requested as 'Storage Fly By'. METF suggests rename.)	TBD -- Describes a "fly by" or "bounce situation where gas changes contracts at an interconnect, but does not leave the TSP's system. However, the interconnecting TSP monitors the "bounce".



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Transaction Type		Storage Inventory Cycling (Was requested as 'Must Turn Provision'. METF suggests rename.)	TBD -- Applies to storage injection and withdrawal cycling requirements.
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Scheduled Quantity Proposed Code Value Changes

Business Name	Usage	Code Value	Code Value Description
Reduction Reason	SO	Confirmation Response Not Received for Delivery Location (Was requested as 'Delivery Operator Did Not Confirm'. METF suggests rename.)	TBD -- For a pathed nomination, the Service Requester needs to know whether the Confirmation Response that was not received is for the receipt or delivery location.
Reduction Reason	SO	Confirmation Response Not Received for Receipt Location (Was requested as 'Receipt Operator Did Not Confirm'. METF suggests rename.)	TBD -- For a pathed nomination, the Service Requester needs to know whether the Confirmation Response that was not received is for the receipt or delivery location.
Reduction Reason	SO	Confirming Party Reduction at Delivery Location	TBD -- For a pathed nomination, the Service Requester needs to know whether the quantity that was reduced is for the receipt or delivery location.
Reduction Reason	SO	Confirming Party Reduction at Receipt Location	TBD -- For a pathed nomination, the Service Requester needs to know whether the quantity that was reduced is for the receipt or delivery location.
Reduction Reason	SO	Storage Ratchet Provision	TBD --

R96033 MODIFY THE MEASUREMENT INFORMATION TRANSACTION TO ADD TWO NEW DATA ELEMENTS -- PRESSURE BASE INDICATOR AND PRESSURE BASE

EC Recommendation : Do not modify the Measurement Information Transaction to add two new data elements -- pressure base indicator and pressure base. The Measurement Information Statement is a high level statement to provide information that supports other Flowing Gas and Invoicing documents. This statement reports accounting volumes and quantities at 14.73 PSIA in compliance with standard 2.3.9. It is more appropriate to provide detail information such as pressure base in the base level Measured Volume Audit Statement. The Measured Volume Audit Statement is addressed in request R96005.

EC Vote: Passes



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**R96040 MODIFY THE REQUEST FOR CONFIRMATION AND CONFIRMATION RESPONSE
TRANSACTIONS FOR THE DEFINITION OF CONTRACTUAL FLOW INDICATOR**

EC Recommendation : Definition of "Contractual Flow Indicator" data element in the Request for Confirmation and Confirmation Response data dictionaries should be clarified. Current definition reads: Indicates the logical direction of flow at a point from the originator's perspective. May be different from physical flow. Proposed definition: Indicates the logical direction of flow at a point from the *confirmation request* originator's perspective. May be different from physical flow. This change is minor and clarifies the meaning as being the originator of the confirmation request and avoids any confusion on this data element in the Confirmation Response dataset. Otherwise, use of the data element is unchanged.

Proposed Changes to the Request for Confirmation Data Dictionary

Business Name	Definition	Usage (E-2)	Condition
Contractual Flow Indicator	Indicates the logical direction of flow at a point from the <i>confirmation request</i> originator's perspective. May be different than physical flow.	M	

Proposed Changes to the Confirmation Response Data Dictionary

Business Name	Definition	Usage (E-2)	Condition
Contractual Flow Indicator	Indicates the logical direction of flow at a point from the <i>confirmation request</i> originator's perspective. May be different than physical flow.	M	

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**R96041 MODIFY THE CAPACITY RELEASE RELATED TRANSACTIONS TO ADD NEW
DATA ELEMENTS, CHANGE USAGE CODES, AND MODIFY TEXT OF THE
STANDARD MANUAL**

EC Recommendation : Adopt the changes recommended by the Market Initiation Task Force regarding capacity release, but delay implementation of formatting changes.

EC Vote: Passes



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R96051 MODIFY THE CONFIRMATION RESPONSE TRANSACTION TO PROVIDE FOR A USAGE CODE OF "C" FROM "MA" FOR SERVICE REQUESTER CONTRACT, AND MODIFY THE TEXT OF THE DATA DICTIONARY

EC Recommendation : In the Request for Confirmation document, the usage of the Service Requester contract is mutually agreeable (MA). In the Confirmation Response, the response dataset to the request, it's usage is also MA. This is inconsistent with the way other Business Conditional (BC) and/or MA data elements are treated in their respective response documents. The response documents should reflect the same level of information as provided in the document it is in response to. In other words, if the Service Requester Contract information is provided in the confirmation request, it should be echoed back in the confirmation response. Thus, the usage in the confirmation response should be purely conditional with the condition being where the information was supplied in the original request for confirmation. This is consistent with the way these data elements are treated in the rest of the nomination process. See related request nos. 96052 and 96053.

Proposed Changes to Confirmation Response Data Dictionary

Business Name	Definition	Usage (E-2)	Condition
Service Requester Contract	This is the contract under which service is being requested.	C	<i>Mandatory when provided in the request for confirmation. This element is not needed when the Confirmation Requester's Tracking Number is used.</i>



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R96052 MODIFY THE CONFIRMATION RESPONSE TRANSACTION TO PROVIDE FOR A USAGE CODE OF "C" FROM "BC" FOR UPSTREAM CONTRACT IDENTIFIER, AND MODIFY THE TEXT OF THE DATA DICTIONARY

EC Recommendation : In the Request for Confirmation document, the usage of the Upstream Contract Identifier is business conditional (BC). In the Confirmation Response, the response dataset to the request, it's usage is also BC. This is inconsistent with the way other BC data elements are treated in their respective response documents. The response documents should reflect the same level of information as provided in the document it is in response to. In other words, if the Upstream Contract Identifier information is provided in the confirmation request, it should be echoed back in the confirmation response. Thus, the usage in the confirmation response should be purely conditional with the condition being where the information was supplied in the original request for confirmation. This is consistent with the way these data elements are treated in the rest of the nomination process. See related request nos. 96501 and 96053.

Proposed Changes to the Confirmation Response Data Dictionary

Business Name	Definition	Usage (E-2)	Condition
Upstream Contract Identifier	This field identifies the contract of the party who is supplying the quantities to the service requester	C	<i>Mandatory when provided in the request for confirmation.</i> This field is used by transportation service providers who confirm by contract at custody transfer locations (e.g. pipeline to pipeline interconnects, pooling points, logical points).



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**R96053 MODIFY THE CONFIRMATION RESPONSE TRANSACTION TO PROVIDE FOR A
USAGE CODE OF "C" FROM "BC" FOR DOWNSTREAM CONTRACT IDENTIFIER,
AND MODIFY THE TEXT OF THE DATA DICTIONARY**

EC Recommendation : In the Request for Confirmation document, the usage of the Downstream Contract Identifier is business conditional (BC). In the Confirmation Response, the response dataset to the request, it's usage is also BC. This is inconsistent with the way other BC data elements are treated in their respective response documents. The response documents should reflect the same level of information as provided in the document it is in response to. In other words, if the Downstream Contract Identifier information is provided in the confirmation request, it should be echoed back in the confirmation response. Thus, the usage in the confirmation response should be purely conditional with the condition being where the information was supplied in the original request for confirmation. This is consistent with the way these data elements are treated in the rest of the nomination process. See related request nos. 96051 and 96052.

Proposed Changes to the Confirmation Response Data Dictionary

Business Name	Definition	Usage (E-2)	Condition
Downstream Contract Identifier	This field identifies the contract of the party who is receiving the quantities from the service requester	C	<i>Mandatory when provided in the request for confirmation.</i> This field is used by transportation service providers who confirm by contract at custody transfer locations (e.g. pipeline to pipeline interconnects, pooling points, logical points).



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R96054 MODIFY THE REQUEST FOR CONFIRMATION AND THE CONFIRMATION RESPONSE TRANSACTIONS TO INCLUDE A NEW DATA ELEMENT - SERVICE REQUESTER

EC Recommendation : Add a data element "Service Requester" to the Request for Confirmation and Confirmation Response dataset. Usage would be Mutually Agreeable (MA) in the Request for Confirmation and Conditional (C) in the Confirmation Response dataset. Currently the Service Requester Contract field exists in the confirmation process. This request proposes to add the Confirmation Requester's identification to the confirmation process. While the contract is the information more familiar to the requester, the requester ID is more familiar to the confirming party. Request states this supplies meaningful information to the operator.

Proposed Changes to the Request for Confirmation Data Dictionary

Business Name	Definition	Usage (E-2)	Condition
Service Requester *	Identifies the party requesting the service, or their agent.	MA	

Proposed Changes to the Confirmation Response Data Dictionary

Business Name	Definition	Usage (E-2)	Condition
Service Requester *	Identifies the party requesting the service, or their agent.	MA	

* Indicates Common Code

R96055 MODIFY THE INVOICE RELATED STANDARDS TO REFER TO THE DATA ELEMENT INVOICE CODE AS INVOICE IDENTIFIER

EC Recommendation : The change of the name of the data element Invoice Code (sometimes referred to as an Invoice number) to Invoice Identifier will eliminated confusion created by the name. The word code in a data element traditionally means that the data element is tied to a table in the implementation guide which contains code values. This data element is generated as a unique number by the service provider.

Invoice Data Set Proposed Data Dictionary Changes

Business Name	Definition	Usage (E-2)	Condition
Invoice Identifier	Unique identification identifier assigned by the preparer.		

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R96057 MODIFY THE NOMINATIONS, FLOWING GAS, AND INVOICING RELATED STANDARDS TO CHANGE TWO DATA ELEMENTS LENGTHS - PACKAGE ID AND CONTRACT NUMBER

EC Recommendation : The length of the Package ID and all contract numbers are not specified in the data dictionary, their maximum length is determined by the field that they are mapped to in the actual EDI documents. This request proposes that the maximum length for a Package ID be set at 3 characters, and the maximum length of all contract fields be 14 characters. Requester states that use of fewer characters makes it easier to design screens. **Note:** Subsequent to submittal of the request, but prior to any discussion, the subject of length of fields of the Package ID and contract fields were discussed by the Market Settlement Task Force (MSTF). That task force accepted the following field lengths: (1) Package ID -- Maximum 12 character alpha-numeric fields, (2) All contract fields -- Maximum 12 character alpha-numeric fields. The request was thus modified to this proposal, and on this the sense of the room was taken. (In other words, this was what was "voted" on.) The attached data dictionary has been modified from the request to reflect this vote.

Proposed Data Dictionary Changes

Business Name	Definition	Usage (E-2)	Condition
Package ID	Service requester assigned identification number used to differentiate between discrete business transactions. <i>A maximum 12 character alpha-numeric code.</i>	SO	
Downstream Contract Identifier	This field identifies the contract of the party who is receiving the quantities from the service requester. <i>A maximum 12 character alpha-numeric code.</i>	BC	For Nomination, Scheduled Quantities, Request for Confirmation, and Confirmation Response - This field is used by transportation service providers who confirm by contract at custody transfer locations (e.g. pipeline to pipeline interconnects, pooling points, logical points).
Service Requester Contract	This is the contract under which service is being requested. <i>A maximum 12 character alpha-numeric code.</i>	M	
Upstream Contract Identifier	This field identifies the contract of the party who is supplying the quantities from the service requester. <i>A maximum 12 character alpha-numeric code.</i>	BC	For Nomination, Scheduled Quantities, Request for Confirmation, and Confirmation Response - This field is used by transportation service providers who confirm by contract at custody transfer locations (e.g. pipeline to pipeline interconnects, pooling points, logical points).

* Indicates Common Code

Note: Usage shown is for nomination transaction and is unchanged from the current standard. Usage codes in the related documents would also be unchanged from the current standard. Change involves maximum lengths of the fields only.



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R96060 MODIFY THE NOMINATIONS TRANSACTION TO ADD A NEW DATA ELEMENT - CYCLE

EC Recommendation : Do not modify the Nominations Transaction to add a new data element - cycle. A similar request for an "Intra-day flag" data element was discussed earlier this year and Market Execution Task Force recommended against it, with the discussion recorded in the minutes.

EC Vote: Passes

R96061 MODIFY THE NOMINATIONS AND SCHEDULED QUANTITY TRANSACTIONS TO ADD TWO NEW DATA ELEMENTS - ACCOUNTING DATA 1 AND ACCOUNTING DATA 2

EC Recommendation : Add data elements "Accounting Data 1" and "Accounting Data 2" to the Nomination and Scheduled Quantities datasets and data dictionaries. These data elements would enable the customer to specify accounting data relating to their own business requirements; they will not be edited, and will be returned on the scheduled quantity reports for the customers use in their internal accounting and reporting process. Customers report use of this field for a variety of reporting and accounting procedures.

EC Vote: Fails

R96063 ADD ABBREVIATIONS DEVELOPED BY THE MARKET SETTLEMENT TASK FORCE FOR THE INVOICING FUNCTIONS.

EC Recommendation : Standard 3.3.2 requires the use of standard field name descriptors on paper invoices. Since paper invoices have a limited number of spaces for printing descriptions, abbreviations will be used to describe the data elements on the paper invoices. This request provides for standard abbreviations for each invoice data element.

Abbreviations have been available for review from the home page and distributed on December 10 prior to the EC meeting.



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R96064 MODIFY THE UPLOAD OF PRE-ARRANGED DEALS TRANSACTIONS TO ADD ONE NEW DATA ELEMENT -- RETAINED QUANTITY, AND INCORPORATE TWO EXISTING DATA ELEMENTS -- PRODUCTION AREA INDICATOR, GAS TRANSACTION POINT 1 ZONE, WITH THE ADDITION OF CONFORMING ERROR MESSAGES AND WARNING MESSAGES.

EC Recommendation : Addition of one new data element and incorporate two existing data elements into the UPPD data set. The data contained in the data elements is required in order to process El Paso's full requirements prearranged transactions. These items are provided on El Paso's EBB.

EC Vote: Passes.

R96065 MODIFY STANDARD 3.3.14 TO DEFINE "RENDERED" AS "POSTMARKED FOR U.S. POSTAL SERVICE DELIVERY OF COMMUNICATION, TIM-STAMPED FOR FACSIMILE COMMUNICATION AND TIME-STAMPED AND DELIVERED TO THE DESIGNATED SITE FOR ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATION."

EC Recommendation : During the August 22, 1996 meeting of MSTF discussed standard 3.3.14 and determined the language should be revised to clarify the point at which the clock begins for each of the three forms of communication currently used by the gas industry. Many MSTF members feel the current language requires invoices to be sent certified mailed. On October 17, 1996 MSTF reviewed the proposed language to ensure it clearly states the postmark or time-stamp to be used for each form of communication. The task force unanimously agreed it does.

R96066 MODIFY THE TRANSPORTATION/SALES INVOICE TO ADD TWO DATA ELEMENTS -- ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER DUE DATA, AND ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER REMITTANCE ADDRESS.

EC Recommendation : During the August 22, 1996 meeting of MSTF discussed standard 3.3.14 and determined the language should be revised to clarify the point at which the clock begins for each of the three forms of communication currently used by the gas industry. Many MSTF members feel the current language requires invoices to be sent certified mailed. On October 17, 1996 MSTF reviewed the proposed language to ensure it clearly states the postmark or time-stamp to be used for each form of communication. The task force unanimously agreed it does.

EC Vote: Passes



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R96067 MODIFY NOMINATIONS TRANSACTION TO ADD AN ADDITIONAL OPTION FOR CAPACITY TYPE.

EC Recommendation : Add new code values to the Capacity Type Indicator in the nomination to delineate further capacity types. On some Transportation Service Providers a customer can nominate on their firm agreement out of balance as primary firm or interruptible. The current transaction set does not have a capacity type of primary firm, this addition will allow support of this service.

Proposed Code Values

Business Name	Usage	Code Value	Code Value Description
Capacity Type Indicator	MA	PP PS SS SP IT F MF MI	Primary to Primary Primary to Secondary Secondary to Secondary Secondary to Primary Interruptible Primary Firm Out of Balance Primary Firm Out of Balance Interruptible



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**R96077 MODIFY SEVERAL TRANSACTIONS AS A RESULTS OF THE EXISTING 43
BUSINESS PRACTICE STANDARDS THAT WERE APPROVED ON SEPTEMBER 27
BY THE GISB MEMBERSHIP.**

EC Recommendation 1: As stated in recommendations of the Market Execution Task Force items 1, 2 and 4 of request R96077. The task force is making the recommendation based on revised GISB Standard 1.3.7. For item 2, due to the additional language, the data element 'Future Quantity Status Code' is no longer needed, based on the GISB Standard 1.2.5. The definition of 'Package ID' will be revised to conform to the standard language, with the usage code changes to sender's option. For item 4, the task force also made recommendations on changes to comply with GISB Standard 1.3.25.

EC Vote 1: Passes

EC Recommendation 2: The Market Execution Task Force recommended changes to comply with GISB Standard 1.3.25 which were revised by the Executive Committee. The documentation would be revised from "Service Provider is not obligated to edit or validate the Package ID." to "Service Provider is not obligated to validate the Package ID, and should return the Package ID as received as applicable in the dataset(s) transmitted to the Service Requester."

EC Vote 2: Passes

EC Recommendation 3: The Market Execution Task Force recommended changes to comply with GISB Standard 1.3.24 which were modified by the Executive Committee: (1) Delete the Quick Response warning message which states that the Package ID is not processed, and (2) The Usage Code of the Package ID in the Scheduled Quantity document will be revised to 'C', described as mandatory when submitted.

EC Vote 3: Fails

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PROPOSED STANDARD MODIFICATIONS BALLOT**

Please check one of the following for each proposed standard, referred to by request number.

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Note:

P - Passed in EC meeting on January 9, 1997, F - Failed in EC meeting on January 9, 1997

* - Passed as a procedural vote, Blank - No vote taken on January 9, 1997

Executive Committee Member Name : _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____

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