

**GISB Expedited Data Development Subcommittee Meeting
July 11 - 12, 2000
CMS Energy
FINAL MINUTES**

1. The meeting was opened and participants were welcomed to the meeting. Attendees introduced themselves.
2. Housekeeping information was provided.
3. The anti-trust guidelines were given.
4. The agenda was adopted with the following revisions:
 - Added 'Response from Imbalance Subcommittee'
 - Added 'FERC Order No. 587-L'
5. The minutes of the June 6 - 7, 2000 meeting were adopted with revisions. It was also noted that the chairs will make a global change to the data sets to lowercase the names of parties (confirming trader, initiating trader, transportation service provider, etc.) in the data dictionaries (definitions, conditions, code value descriptions).

6. R97117 / R97118 -- Continue development of Imbalance Netting / Trading data sets and the accompanying documentation

◆ Response from Imbalance Subcommittee

Previously, EDD sent the following issue to the Imbalance Subcommittee:

"During the processing of **R97117** and **R97118**, the EDD raised the following issues:

1. The EDD Subcommittee believes that the Authorization to Post Imbalances is not suitable for EDI development because of the small number of data elements in the data set and the infrequency of its use. EDD requests the Imbalance Subcommittee to affirm this direction. For your information, attached is the working data dictionary.
2. The EDD Subcommittee believes that the Withdrawal of Request for Imbalance Trade data set is not suitable for EDI development because of the infrequency of its use. It is further believed that the EBB is a much more efficient mechanism to accomplish this task. EDD requests the Imbalance Subcommittee to affirm this direction. For your information, attached is the working data dictionary."

Dennis LaTour gave an update on the Imbalance Subcommittee's response to EDD's issue. He read the following motion, which was adopted by the Imbalance Subcommittee:

"The Authorization to Post Imbalances and the Withdrawal of Request for Imbalance Trade are not suitable for EDI development. The Imbalance Subcommittee instructs EDD that it not address EDI development for these two data sets."

An issue was raised regarding the field lengths to be used on EBBs for these data sets. Based on the above response from the Imbalance Subcommittee, there will not be an EDI implementation. It was noted that all of the data elements in the Withdrawal of Request for Imbalance Trade are used in other data sets that are being developed for EDI, and the same field lengths can be used. And, the same is true for most of the data elements in the Authorization to Post Imbalances. It was stated that parties need this information in order to implement the two data sets that will not have EDI implementation.

MOTION:

- Send the issue of data element lengths and attributes being added to data dictionaries to the Executive Committee for resolution.
- Develop lengths and attributes for the data elements in the Authorization to Post Imbalances as ancillary information to the data dictionary.

After a break was taken, the above motion was withdrawn. It was suggested that, if there is only EBB implementation, a data dictionary is not needed. And that an issue could be sent to the Imbalance Subcommittee to set a standard requiring that TSP's accommodate withdrawals and authorizations on their EBBs. After further discussion, it was determined that we don't need to send an issue to the Imbalance Subcommittee.

The EDI/FF column was deleted from the Authorization to Post Imbalances and the Withdrawal of Request for Imbalance Trade data sets. Other revisions were also made to the data sets to accommodate the deletion of the EDI/FF column.

◆ **EBB Usage and Data Groups / Finalize All Draft Data Dictionaries**

The group reviewed the Imbalance Netting / Trading data sets and made revisions as necessary. See the draft data dictionaries attached to these minutes for details.

For the Withdrawal of Request for Imbalance Trade, it was noted that the 'Level' column will be deleted from the data dictionary after EDD completes the Sample Paper Transaction for this data set.

MOTION:

Adopt the draft data dictionaries and code value dictionaries for Imbalance Netting / Trading.

Sense of the Room: 8 In Favor; 0 Opposed

◆ **How to Request a ‘Posted Imbalances Download’?**

The Upload of Request For Download of Posted Data Sets and the new Request for Information data set (which is still being developed) were both discussed as options. The issue arose as to how a request for the Operationally Available and Unsubscribed Capacity data set is accommodated.

MOTION:

Add the following code value for the Data Sets Requested data element in the Upload of Request for Download of Posted Data Sets (5.4.14) and the Response to Upload of Request for Download of Posted Data Sets (5.4.15):

Code Value Description	Code Value Definition	Code Value
<i>Posted Imbalances Download</i>	<i>[no definition necessary]</i>	

EDD recessed for the day. A Sense of the Room was not taken on the above motion.

◆ **How to Request a ‘Posted Imbalances Download’? (continued)**

The Upload of Request for Download of Posted Data Sets (URFDL) is a request for posted data sets, and therefore fits with requesting a Posted Imbalances Download. The new Request for Information data set is a request for proprietary information for a particular party. The group decided to proceed working on the URFDL.

MOTION:

- Add the following code value for the Data Sets Requested data element in the Upload of Request for Download of Posted Data Sets (5.4.14) and the Response to Upload of Request for Download of Posted Data Sets (5.4.15):

Code Value Description	Code Value Definition	Code Value
<i>Posted Imbalances Download</i>	<i>[no definition necessary]</i>	

- Revise the Usage of the Data Begin Date and add the Condition as follows in the Upload of Request for Download of Posted Data Sets (5.4.14):

Business Name (Abbreviation)	Definition	EDI / FF Usage	Condition
Data Begin Date	The beginning date for the period over which the requested data sets were posted.	<u>MC</u>	<i>Mandatory except when Data Sets Requested is 'Posted Imbalances Download'.</i>

- Add the following Condition for the Data End Date in the Upload of Request for Download of Posted Data Sets (5.4.14):

Business Name (Abbreviation)	Definition	Data Group	EBB Usage	EDI / FF Usage	Condition
Data End Date	The ending date for the period over which the requested data sets were posted.			SO	<i>Not used when Data Sets Requested is 'Posted Imbalances Download'.</i>

- Add the following Condition for the Data Begin Time in the Upload of Request for Download of Posted Data Sets (5.4.14):

Business Name (Abbreviation)	Definition	Data Group	EBB Usage	EDI / FF Usage	Condition
Data Begin Time	The beginning time for the period over which the requested data sets were posted.			SO	<i>Not used when Data Sets Requested is 'Posted Imbalances Download'.</i>

Sense of the Room: 7 In Favor; 0 Opposed

It was noted that some existing standards may need to be revised to accommodate the posting of the Posted Imbalances Download on EBBs. Several examples were given.

MOTION:

Send the following issue to the Imbalance Subcommittee:
 EDD requests the Imbalance Subcommittee to review the existing business standards for possible revisions related to the Imbalance Netting / Trading data sets on Web sites. Some examples are: GISB Standard Nos. 2.3.32, 4.3.42, 4.3.54 and 4.3.75.

Sense of the Room: 7 In Favor; 0 Opposed

◆ **Technical Implementation of Business Process (TIBP) for Each Data Set**

The group began the development of the TIBPs and Sample Paper Transactions for the data sets. The Authorization to Post Imbalances, Posted Imbalances Download and Request for Imbalance Trade were addressed during this meeting. See the drafts attached to these minutes for details. (NOTE: The language of the TIBPs and Sample Paper Transactions for the data sets not addressed during this meeting was developed from workpapers provided by meeting participants.)

During the development of the TIBP for the Posted Imbalances Download, it was noted that the definition for Service Requester should include the phrase “or their agent”, and that Contract Holder should be added to the data set.

MOTION:

Add the additional revisions to the Posted Imbalances Download, per the attached draft data dictionary.

Sense of the Room: 7 In Favor; 0 Opposed

◆ **FERC Order No. 587-L**

It was noted that, in FERC Order No. 587-L, the Commission established November 1, 2000 as the date that pipelines are to provide imbalance trading to their shippers.

The group then set the dates and times for upcoming meetings.

7. Next Meeting Dates and Locations

- Friday, July 28, 9:00 – 12:00 Central Time (conference call)
- Monday, July 31, all day (face-to-face meeting)
- Thursday, August 10, 9:00 – 2:00 Central Time (face-to-face meeting with conference calling capability)
- Tuesday – Wednesday, August 29 – 30, all day (face-to-face meeting)

All of the above are subject to verification with the GISB office.