

GISB Information Requirements Subcommittee Meeting  
April 13 - 14, 1999  
Offices of Duke Energy -- Houston, TX  
FINAL Minutes

1. Welcome by Theresa Hess. Introductions were made.
  2. Housekeeping by Marcy McCain.
  3. Anti-trust guidelines by Jim Buccigross.
  4. The agenda was revised to include corrections to the Abbreviations document. This item was added after 'BPS Response to IR Issues Related to R97111'. Also, R98051 was postponed to the May meeting. The revised agenda was adopted without objection.
  5. Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes – Due to late availability, the approval of the prior minutes was deferred until the May meeting.
  6. Address Current Requests for Initiation or Enhancement of GISB Standards – Discussion, Q&A and Sense of the Room for each item.
- **BPS Response to IR Issues Related to R97111 -- Issue #3** – Review TIBP for Offer Upload Final Disposition and related portions of Business Summary.

**MOTION:**

- ◆ Modify the TIBP for the Offer Upload Final Disposition as follows:

~~“The UPPD Final Disposition is sent by the transportation service provider to the releasing shipper and/or replacement shipper to inform the party that the deal has been completely processed through the cycle. The Offer Upload Final Disposition is used to inform parties that the prearranged or non-prearranged deal been completely processed through the cycle. The Offer Upload Final Disposition is sent by the transportation service provider to the following parties:~~

- 1) the releasing shipper that submitted the Offer Upload;
- 2) the prearranged bidder identified in the Offer Upload; and,
- 3) the winning bidder that submitted the Bid Upload.

The deal may or may not have resulted in a contract. The Offer Upload Final Disposition transaction tells the releasing shipper if the deal was awarded, if it was awarded to the prearranged bidder or a subsequent bidder or if it was not awarded and the reason why. It tells the replacement shipper the status of the deal and informs the replacement shipper of the new contract number under which the replacement shipper may transact business.”

- ◆ Modify the Business Process and Practices in the Capacity Release Related Standards book as follows:

On page 2, delete the following sentence:

~~“Since the releasing shipper has been out of the communications loop while the pipeline awaits the bidder confirmation, the transportation service provider now sends the Offer Upload Final Disposition transaction to the releasing shipper to inform the releasing shipper and replacement shipper of the status of the deal.”~~

And add the following sentence in its place:

“The transportation service provider sends the Offer Upload Final Disposition to the releasing shipper that submitted the Offer Upload, the prearranged bidder identified in the Offer Upload and the winning bidder that submitted the Bid Upload.”

- ◆ This completes the changes necessary to the TIBP and language for the Business Process and Practices sections. The Executive Summary and relevant diagrams in the Business Process and Practices sections will be reviewed at the May IR meeting.

**Sense of the Room:**            8 In Favor; 0 Opposed

- **Corrections to Abbreviations Document**

Dennis LaTour suggested corrections/revisions to the document. See ‘Abbreviations’ attachment to these minutes for details.

- **EITF Related** -- Compare Allocation Grid Drafting Team’s PDA and Allocation data dictionaries with those resulting from IR’s March 31 meeting to sync up Usages and Conditions.

See ‘AGDT Data Dictionary’, ‘PDA Matrix’ and ‘Allocation Matrix’ attachments to these minutes for details.

**MOTION:**

Adopt revisions made to the PDA and Allocation data dictionaries and their respective matrices. This includes data groupings and abbreviations.

**Sense of the Room:**            7 In Favor; 0 Opposed

- **Transferred from Notices Task Force**

**MOTION:**

Revise the code values for the Notice Type in the System-Wide Notices data set:

Notice Type	M		<del>Press Release, Company News or Phone List</del>	[no definition necessary]
			<i>Intraday Bump</i>	[no definition necessary]
			<i>Phone List</i>	[no definition necessary]
			<del>Press Release or Company News</del>	[no definition necessary]

No vote was taken.

IR agreed to send the following issues to the Notices Task Force:

1. The definition of Electronic Notice Delivery in “D1” identifies Internet E-mail and EDI as the mechanisms of delivery for electronic delivery of notices. “S1” states that the affected party can choose the Electronic Notice Delivery mechanism, which is defined in “D1”. Therefore, what is the intent of the portion of “S6” which states “ ... method of notification chosen by the affected party (EDI/EDM, EBB/EDM, E-mail or FF/EDM)”? Does this allow the affected party to choose from the four mechanisms listed? This list implies that TSPs are required to support all four mechanisms.

If the affected party is allowed to choose between Internet E-mail and EDI, there will be no changes to the System-Wide Notices data dictionary.

If the affected party is allowed to choose between the four mechanisms listed in the parenthetical in “S6”, abbreviations and usages for EBB and Flat File will be developed for the data elements in the System-Wide Notices data dictionary.

2. Do “S2” and “S6” affect the current request / response GISB EDI process for OFOs and critical notices? Currently, a requester can obtain all system-wide notices via an for System-Wide Notices. With the exception of intraday bumps, when a party requests a download of System-Wide Notices via an Upload of Request for Download of Posted Datasets, will all OFOs and critical notices be included in the response?
3. Should there be a new data element indicating the intent of “S7”? If a data element is to be added, we need to clarify the intent. Does it apply to a particular transaction(s), cycle or the entire gas day? Or does it apply to all of the transactions included in the message text?

If the Notices Task Force does not intend for a data element to be added, then the intent of “S7” does not affect IR’s implementation.

There was no objection to sending these issues to the Notices Task Force.

- **Shipper Imbalance**

IR worked on usages for the data elements in the Imbalance. See the “Shipper Imbalance” attachment to these minutes for details.

**8. Next Meeting Dates and Locations:**

The next meeting will be held May 17 – 18, 1999 at Boeing’s offices in Seattle. The exact location is to be determined.