

**GISB Information Requirements Subcommittee Meeting
December 15, 1998
Brooklyn Union Offices
FINAL Minutes**

1. Welcome by Jim Buccigross. Attendees introduced themselves.
2. Ruth from Keyspan Energy (Brooklyn Union) went over housekeeping.
3. Jim gave the antitrust guidelines.
4. Adoption of Agenda -- The agenda was slightly modified by moving request no. R97127 up in the agenda. It will be addressed prior to R96124 & R97020. R9124 was deferred by the requester. The agenda was then adopted as modified without objection.
5. The draft minutes from November 17 - 18, 1998 were reviewed. Minor changes were made and the minutes were then adopted.
6. Address Current Requests for Initiation or Enhancement of GISB Standards – Discussion, Q&A and Sense of the Room for each item.
 - **Allocation Grid Drafting Team**
 - ◆ **R96125A -- Columbia Gulf**
Add a data element to the PDA, PDA Quick Response and Allocation to identify level of allocation.
 - ◆ **R96131 -- Market Settlement Task Force**
Update Flowing Gas Implementation Guide to expand discussion and examples for Allocation.
 - ◆ **R97036 -- Koch Gateway and NGPL**
Modify PDA and Allocation to support Pathed Non-Threaded model type.

Reviewed revisions made to the eight documents that were posted from the AGDT. Further revisions were made during the meeting.

ISSUE: Where to place the matrices for the Allocation Transaction Type Code and the PDA Transaction Type Code. There was agreement on the following:

- TIBP - Should indicate why you need these transaction types and where to find the data. It should not include all details; should not include the usage for all of the data elements.
- Sample Paper Transaction - Matrices should not be included here.
- X12 Cross Reference - Matrix information will be included here per usual GISB practices. Currently does not include explanation of the conditions for the "Conditional" data elements.
- X12 Implementation Guide and Tables - Matrix information will be included here per usual GISB practices. This is for X12 implementers; is X12 specific.

The resolution is noted in the motion below.

MOTION:

Adopt the recommendation and associated TIBPs as revised during the meeting. Some of the modifications are noted below:

- Data Dictionary -
 - Add addendum to PDA for the "PDA Transaction Type Matrix".
 - Add addendum to Allocation for the "Allocation Transaction Type Matrix".
 - For PDA Transaction Type Code - leave definition as is. Add the following note to "Condition" column referencing matrix in the addendum: "See PDA Transaction Type Matrix below." (see table below)

Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
PDA Transaction Type Code	Identifies the type of pre-determined allocation transaction.	M	See PDA Transaction Type Matrix below.

- For Allocation Transaction Type Code - leave definition as is. Add the following note to "Condition" column referencing matrix in the addendum: "See Allocation Transaction Type Matrix below." (see table below)

Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
Allocation Transaction Type Code	Identifies the type of allocation transaction.	M	See Allocation Transaction Type Matrix below.

- For Condition of data elements that are conditioned on the PDA Transaction Type Code - Add the following: "Based upon the usage as defined by the PDA transaction type. See PDA Transaction Type Matrix below."
- For Condition of data elements that are conditioned on the Allocation Transaction Type Code - Add the following: "Based upon the usage as defined by the allocation transaction type. See Allocation Transaction Type Matrix below."
- TIBP language (revisions to our current red-lined version) -
 - Add as fourth sentence to third paragraph in the PDA TIBP - "... The allocating party (the recipient of the PDA document) specifies one or more PDA transaction type codes that it will accept from the PDA submitter. *Reference the PDA Transaction Type Matrix for essential implementation information.*"
End paragraph here and begin new paragraph with the current "If all elements for a given PDA transaction type code ...". End this new paragraph at the end of the current third paragraph.
 - Add to end of second paragraph in the Allocation - "*Reference the Allocation Transaction Type Matrix for essential implementation information.*"

Sense of the Room: 11 In Favor; 0 Opposed

• **ISSUES to BPS:**

- **R97087** - IR requests BPS accept the following resolution:
Add Delivery Location, Receipt Location and Transaction Type to the PDA and Allocation, as contained in the AGDT recommendation for R96125A, R96131, R97036 and R97087.
- **R98001 and R98005** - These requests were assigned to BPS. BPS deferred them until the completion of AGDT. AGDT has completed their efforts and did not address these requests in the recommendation for R96125A, R96131, R97036 and R97087.

Sense of the Room: 12 In Favor; 0 Opposed

• **R98013 -- Columbia Gas**

Modify the Measured Volume Audit Statement for consistency in code values.

MOTION:

As instructions to Technical Subcommittee:

- Allow for the sending of Static Pressure, Maximum Static Pressure Range and Minimum Static Pressure Range) in the following units:
Kilopascal
PSIA
PSIG
- Allow for the sending of Differential Pressure and Maximum Differential Pressure in the following units:
Kilopascal
PSI
Inches of Water

Sense of the Room: 10 In Favor; 0 Opposed

MOTION:

- Delete Static Pressure Indicator
- Add Unit of Measure data element used to indicate the measurement units for Static pressure, differential pressure and other measurement data.

Motion withdrawn. The problem is that we are trying to manipulate code values that do not have a corresponding GISB data element.

MOTION:

Send to BPS:

IR recommends the following revisions to the Measured Volume Audit Statement:

- Delete Static Pressure Indicator.
- Add Unit of Measure data element. (see table below)

Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
Unit of Measure	Specifies the unit or basis for measurement for the corresponding measurement value.	M	

Sense of the Room: 11 In Favor; 0 Opposed

• **R97127 -- Columbia Gas**

Add error message for locations and entities that indicates “inactive”.

Do we need to add more error code values? Or does the existing "Invalid ..." cover this issue? The additional code values may lead to a proliferation of error messages. Would it suffice to send "Invalid ..." error code and also send a Validation Message to give additional information? “Inactive ...” error codes are more descriptive and the additional Validation Message would not need to be sent.

Should corresponding error code values be added to all of the quick response type data sets? After extensive discussion, it was determined that we would only add the error codes to the Nomination Quick Response, which, per the requester, was the intent of the request. The request should not be expanded to apply to all quick response data sets.

Some parties noted that the “Inactive ...” error code values are appropriate for entities due to the proliferation of mergers in the industry today.

MOTION:

Add the following error code value descriptions for the Validation Code data element in the Nomination Quick Response.

Business Name	Usage	Code Value	Code Value Description	Code Value Definition
Validation Code	M (C)		Inactive Delivery Location	[No definition necessary]
			Inactive Downstream Identifier Code	[No definition necessary]
			Inactive Receipt Location	[No definition necessary]
			Inactive Service Requester	[No definition necessary]
			Inactive Transportation Service Provider	[No definition necessary]
			Inactive Upstream Identifier Code	[No definition necessary]

Sense of the Room: 5 In Favor; 2 Opposed

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- **EIITF Groupings** -- Request from the EBB-Internet Implementation Task Force (EIITF) to group data elements for the Flowing Gas Related data sets.
- **MOTION**: Classify all downstream data in all Flowing Gas data sets (excluding Measured Volume Audit Statement) into one of the following data groups:

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Delivery Data Group	4
Transaction Specific Data Group	9

- **MOTION**: Classify the following data elements in the PDA data set into a new Allocation Data Group to indicate the type of allocation that is being performed:
 - Allocation Method
 - Allocation Rank Indicator
 - Allocation Rank Level
 - Limit Value

Sense of the Room: 3 In Favor; 9 Opposed

Pete Whatley noted that the Data Group column in the new data dictionary format applies only to the Form on the EBB (Web site). It does not apply to EDI or FF. At the option of the owner of the EBB, data in the Form can be duplicated in the Header. The data groupings do not apply to hierarchy.

There is disagreement as to the intent of the data groupings. Do they classify the structure of the data or only identify where the data is placed on the EBB? Pete stated that hierarchy does not apply to the data in the Form. The data in the Form should be in the format that is easiest to look at.

Some of the data sets consist of the same data that is being sent between the same parties. For example: Nomination and Scheduled Quantity; PDA and Allocation. We should be consistent when dealing with data that is being sent in different data sets.

- **MOTION**: Classify Statement Date/Time in the Measurement Information Statement into one of the following data groups:

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Business Entity Data Group	16

- **MOTION**: Classify Accounting Period in the Measurement Information Statement into the following data group:

Dates Data Group

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Unanimous

- **MOTION**: Classify the following data elements in the Shipper Imbalance and Allocation data sets, as appropriate, into the Transaction Specific Data Group:

Adjustment Quantity
Adjustment Type
Adjustment Value
Imbalance Value
Statement Basis

Sense of the Room: 14 In Favor; 2 Opposed

- **MOTION**: Classify the following data elements in the Shipper Imbalance and Allocation data sets into the Flowing Gas Data Group:

Ending Imbalance Qty
Ending Imbalance Value

Sense of the Room: 13 In Favor; 1 Opposed

- **MOTION**: Classify the following data elements in the PDA data set into the Flowing Gas Data Group:

Allocation Method
Allocation Rank Indicator
Allocation Rank Level
Limit Value

Sense of the Room: 6 In Favor; 5 Opposed

At their December 1-2, 1998 meeting, EIITF decided that, due to the large volume of data conveyed via the Measured Volume Audit Statement, it is not required to be displayed on EBBs. Therefore, Information Requirements did not address data groupings for this data set.

EIITF will review IR's recommendation on data groupings and make appropriate changes at their December meeting. The resulting Flowing Gas data groupings will be posted as workpapers for the January EIITF meeting.

8. Next meeting is January –18-19 in Colorado Springs. The exact location is TBD.