

# **Natural Gas Clearinghouse**

## **GISB Request for Comments on Proposed Standards Changes**

R96016 - Modify the Nominations Transaction to support source 2 data element.

NGC does not agree with the METF recommendation that an additional contract field is needed to support CNG's business requirement. An additional contract field was voted 'passed' in the last EC meeting Jan 9. The EC voted to pass request R96023 for an additional contract field to support balancing contracts. Rather than continue to add contract fields for each new type of contract that comes up, NGC would like to see the balancing contract field redefined to support any additional contract fields that are necessary for nomination transactions and scheduled quantities. Per the METF's meeting minutes for December 18, the reference contract and balancing contract are mutually exclusive.

R96045 - Additional Transaction Types for the Nominations and Scheduled Quantities

NGC would like to comment that currently there are 8 transaction types printed in the guide with over 40 additional transaction types requested to be added. Every pipeline will have it's own unique set of transaction types that they support. This is not a standard.

R96098 - Additional Charge Types

NGC would like to comment that currently there are over 80 charge types for the invoice. The charge type is an MA field, but it is the field on the invoice that specifies what the charge is for. Again, every pipeline has it's own unique set of charge types that they support. This is not a standard.

R96101 - Modify usage requirement of Service Requester and Account Number in Payment Remittance and Invoice datasets.

NGC disagrees with this proposal as stated in the discussion of the METF recommendation. Tracking accounts at the invoice level is standard. We do not understand why the dataset should be changed to accommodate a non-standard account tracking mechanism.

R96104 - Changing the definition of Limit Value

NGC agrees with the recommendation. This will allow more flexibility to the existing implementation and reduce the possibility of a request to add an additional Limit Value to accommodate other allocation methodologies.

R96110 - Add two BC elements, Aggregator's Supply Point and Aggregator's Supplier to Request for Confirmation, Confirmation Response, and Allocation datasets.

NGC agrees with the METF recommendation to decline this request. The information already exists in the datasets in the Upstream Identifier and Location fields.