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CrossCountry Energy Corp. uses PGAS as their gas measurement system and would like to create a standard file format for transferring SCADA, polling and gas measurement data. We are supporting the XML format for data transfer for the following reasons:

- * Reduce manual entry errors when transferring 3rd party information - Due to no standard method of transferring volume information data files between measurement systems, the information is sent via paper reports, either emailed or faxed, and then entered manually into the measurement systems. This method is time consuming and error prone. A standard data file format would enable files to be created and/or loaded systematically thereby reducing errors in input and time spent on corrections.

- * Flexibility of XML - The flexibility of XML will allow for modifications to be made easily for future development (additional record types, new fields, etc.) which is the reason XML is widely used in IT systems in all industries.

- * The variety of SCADA, polling and gas measurement systems which all communicate with a variety of file formats increases the costs of implementing, maintaining and interfacing with other systems. With a standard file format, every system would send and receive files in the same format.

Sincerely,

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