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TO: GISB Members

FROM: Rae McQuade, Executive Director

RE: **FULL TEXT OF THE STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS ADOPTED BY THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE ON MARCH 5 AND APRIL 10**

Attached is the full text of the language of the standards adopted by the Executive Committee on March 5 and April 10, currently out for membership ratification. If you were identified as the voting member for ratification, and you have not received a ballot via fax, please contact the GISB office. The ratification process should be complete by June 6. For further information on the standards adopted and proposed, the GISB home page can also be accessed for the original request ("Requests for Standards" area), the recommended actions prepared by the GISB subcommittees and task forces ("Requests for Standards" area), the Executive Committee discussions and voting ("Executive Committee" area). Transcripts are available for the Executive Committee meetings, and can be ordered from Jane Copeland of Ak/Ret Reporting Inc. (phone 512-882-9037).

As always, your support of and participation in GISB is greatly appreciated.

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R96074 Modify the capacity release related transactions to add a notice type -- capacity discount

System-Wide Notices

Business Name	Usage	Code Value	Code Value Description
Notice Type	M	74a	Capacity discount

R96075 Modify the capacity release related transactions to add an additional data element - indemnification clause

UPPD

Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
Indemnification Clause	A description specifying the releasing shipper's indemnification clause.	MA	

UPPD Notify and Request to Confirm

Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
Indemnification Clause	A description specifying the releasing shipper's indemnification clause.	C	Mandatory when mutually agreed to in the UPPD and when provided in the UPPD to which this document pertains.

Offer

Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
Indemnification Clause	A description specifying the releasing shipper's indemnification clause.	SO	

R96076 Provide UPPD Status Codes in the UPPD Validation for non-biddable prearranged deals on Transportation Service Providers (TSP) that do not require replacement shipper confirmation and have not awarded the capacity.

UPPD Validation

Business Name	Usage	Code Value	Code Value Description
UPPD Status	M	76a	Request passed edits, UPPD accepted, No Confirmation Required, Award Pending
		76b	Request passed edits, UPPD accepted (with Warnings), No confirmation Required, Award Pending

Values 1 through 9 with corresponding descriptions exist in the UPPD Validation dataset.

R96082 Add an additional "rate identification code" of "capacity" to the Capacity Release Offer, Bid Review, Award Notice, UPPD, UPPD Validation and UPPD Notify and Request to Confirm transaction sets. The new code will be used by firm storage customers releasing capacity to identify the rate as a "capacity" rate.

Offer



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Business Name	Usage	Code Value	Code Value Description
Rate Identification Code	BC	CAP	Capacity

Bid Review

Business Name	Usage	Code Value	Code Value Description
Rate Identification Code	BC	CAP	Capacity

Award Notice

Business Name	Usage	Code Value	Code Value Description
Rate Identification Code	BC	CAP	Capacity

UPPD

Business Name	Usage	Code Value	Code Value Description
Rate Identification Code	BC	CAP	Capacity

UPPD Validation

Business Name	Usage	Code Value	Code Value Description
Rate Identification Code	BC	CAP	Capacity

UPPD Notify and Request to Confirm

Business Name	Usage	Code Value	Code Value Description
Rate Identification Code	BC	CAP	Capacity

R96088

Add new code values for Service Code to the Transportation / Sales Invoice

Transportation/Sales Invoice

Data Element	Usage	Code Name	Code	Code Value Description
Service Code	M	Operational Balancing	OB	An agreement between the service provider and a service requester or between two interconnecting service providers used to establish rules for treatment of differences between actual and scheduled quantities.
		Imbalance Settlement	IB	An agreement under which a service requester would reconcile and settle an imbalance.
		Parking and Loaning	PK	A service that provides a service requester flexibility in balancing their receipt and/or deliveries.
		No Notice Service Small Customers	SN	A delivery service that can be used to provide traditionally small service requesters a supply of gas without prior notice.



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R96089

Add a data element to the UPPD and UPPD Notify and Request to Confirm documents called "Replacement Shipper Contract Number." Data element would be mutually agreeable (MA) in the UPPD document, conditional in the UPPD Notify and Request to Confirm document. This data element currently exists in the UPPD Final Disposition document. Some Transportation Service Provider's tariffs allow replacement shipper's to "stack" capacity acquired on their existing contract. If this is the case, this data element in the UPPD and UPPD Notify and Request to Confirm, would allow this replacement shipper contract number to be specified. To allow for flexibility of implementation, the changes should be implemented at the detail level of these documents.

UPPD

Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
Replacement Shipper Contract Number	A unique identifier assigned by each transportation service provider identifying the replacement contract assigned to the replacement shipper for the awarded released capacity.	MA	

UPPD Notify and Request to Confirm

Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
Replacement Shipper Contract Number	A unique identifier assigned by each transportation service provider identifying the replacement contract assigned to the replacement shipper for the awarded released capacity.	C	Mandatory when contained in the UPPD this document pertains to.

R96091

Add a conditional data element, Releaser Company Code, to 864 Notes documents associated with Upload of Pre-arranged Deals. This information, combined with the existing UPPD Number, will allow specific identification of Notes documents with the applicable UPPD document. The condition would be applicable to all Notes documents associated with a UPPD document.

Notes

Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
Releaser Company Code *	The legal entity which signed the contract with the transportation service provider	C	Mandatory when the Notes document is associated with a UPPD document

* Indicates Common Code

R96099

Reclassify the use of a current mandatory ANSI data element and add a data element to the UPPD Validation data dictionary. This mandatory data element, "UPPD Level Error/Warning ID" would be used in the UPPD Validation document to identify which level (PO1 loop) any errors or warnings were encountered in the original UPPD. UPPD documents can contain multiple loops of data. This change would allow specific identification of detail errors and warnings in the validation document by returning the assigned PO1 line identification number(s) of the loop(s) containing errors or warnings. This data element is currently ANSI mandatory, this change would only mandate what information would be contained in the data element.



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UPPD Validation

Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
UPPD Level Error/Warning ID	Identifies the PO1 assigned line ID in the UPPD where any detail errors and/or warnings are being reported.	C	Mandatory when detail level error or warning codes are contained in the UPPD validation document

R96122 Add 2 new code values to Service Code on the Transportation/Sales Invoice.

Transportation/Sales Invoice.

Data Element	Usage	Code Names	Codes	Code Value Description
Service Code	M	Transition Costs		A principal/interest type of service charge.
		Market Balancing Service		A type of Service designed to eliminate imbalances as deliveries are allocated on actual usage.

R97004 Add 5 new Charge Type codes to the Transportation/Sales Invoice

Transportation/Sales Invoice

Data Element	Usage	Code Names	Codes	Code Value Description
Charge Type	MA	Miscellaneous Charge		A charge that is used in unusual situations that cannot be anticipated by a Service Provider.
		Prepayment		A charge associated with prepayments connected to a service.
		Extended Delivery		A charge for transportation deliveries outside of the area included in the rights defined by the contract.
		Fuel Volumes Retained		A fuel volume reduction.
		Reservation/Demand with Surcharges		Demand/reservation charges inclusive of surcharges.

R97024 Modify GISB Standard 4.3.1 from:
 "By 4/1/97, all parties sending and receiving data should accept a TCP/IP using PPP connection..."
 to:
 "By 4/1/97, all parties sending and receiving data should accept a TCP/IP connection..."

R96097 The following codes should be valid codes for the Transaction Status Code in GISB Standard 1.4.2, Nomination Quick Response, and all other Transaction Status Codes deleted:

AE - Errors or warnings occurred in the Transaction. Some Nominations may be accepted and some may be rejected.



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AT - The entire Transaction and all Nominations were accepted.
 RD - The entire Transaction was rejected due to header level errors.
 ENMQR571 - Contract is out of balance.
 WNMQR533 - Contract is out of balance.

Data Element Name	Usage	Code Value	Code Value Description
Transaction Status Code	M	AE	Errors or warnings occurred in the Transaction. Transaction has been acknowledged. Errors and warnings follow.
		AT	The entire Transaction and all Nominations were accepted.
		RJ	The entire Transaction and all nominations were accepted
		ENMQR571	Contract is out of balance
		WNMQR533	Contract is out of balance

R96123A The UPPD bidder confirmation and validation process should support the association of a replacement capacity contract with another contract for balancing or related purposes. The support for this process between parties should be on a mutually agreeable basis. (GISB Standard 5.3.x)

R96123B Add the data element "Associated Contract" the UPPD - Bidder Confirmation data set as a mutually agreeable (MA) data element. Add two associated error messages and two associated warning messages to the UPPD - Bidder Confirmation Validation data set. These error and warning messages are as follows:

Error Messages: Invalid Associated Contract Missing Associated Contract	Warning Messages: Invalid Associated Contract Missing Associated Contract
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UPPD Bidder Confirmation

Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
Associated Contract	An associated contract that provides rights or information needed to process a transaction with respect to the service requester's contract.	MA	

UPPD Bidder Confirmation Validation

Business Name	Usage	Code Value	Code Value Description
Validation Code	C	E123A	<i>Invalid Associated Contract</i>
		E123B	<i>Missing Associated Contract</i>
		W123A	<i>Invalid Associated Contract</i>
		W123B	<i>Missing Associated Contract</i>



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R97001 Modify the "Assigned Line Number" specified in the first LX occurrence of the Data Element Cross Reference of GISB Standard 3.4.1, Transportation/Sales Invoice, to the name of the segment itself, which is "Assigned Number".

R97023 The documents identified in GISB Standard 4.3.6 should be made available in HTML or RTF format. (GISB Standard 4.3.x)

C96024 Which location code should be sent in a request to confirm and confirmation response? Sender's Code or Recipient's Code?

Language of the Clarification:

As between the interconnected parties, and in the absence of agreement to the contrary:

- (1) Standard 1.1.8 states that a common code should be used. The common code is the data reference number (DRN) in the Petroleum Information database. There is one DRN for every location nominatable on the facilities of a service provider. An Interconnect is two points. One, the point used by the contractually delivering party (operator or TSP) and the other one, the point used by the contractually receiving party (operator or TSP).
- (2) Standard 1.3.20 states 'Receiver of nomination initiates confirmation with the caveat that the receiver of the confirmation may relieve obligation of sender to send.'
- (3) Standard 1.4.3 - the dataset itself has the following definition of the data element 'Location*': 'The location where the quantity will be scheduled by the transportation service provider.' As to which Transportation Service Provider's (TSP) code is within the field 'Location' that is within the 1.4.3 dataset, the contractual flow indicator indicates (as of the January 9, 1997 vote of the EC) as follows: "Indicates the logical direction of flow at a point from the confirmation request originator's perspective". In order that the remainder of the document sent from the Confirmation Requester be interpreted unambiguously, the contents of the Location code data element in both the Request to Confirm and Confirmation Response document should be the Location code of the party sending the Request to Confirm.

C96026 From whose perspective should elements be populated on the Nomination - Confirmation Response dataset?

Language of the Recommended Clarification

Confirming parties which process the request to confirm with a confirmation response should populate the following fields (when applicable) with the same information (the contents of these fields in the Confirmation Response should be of the same value) as that provided in the same fields in the Request to Confirm:

- Contractual Flow Indicator,
- Upstream Identifier Code,
- Upstream Contract Identifier,
- Downstream Identifier Code,
- Downstream Contract Identifier, and
- Service Requester Contract.

The effect of this is to require that this information would always be populated from the perspective of the party creating the Request to Confirm. The party creating the Confirmation Response could, pursuant to the standards, provide a reduction reason code where a reduction is necessary. This means that the receiver of the confirmation



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response would receive information as to the transaction from their perspective. This would hold true even where the sender of the confirmation response were to send an unsolicited confirmation response.

C96029

If interconnecting operators agree that one party will always create the request and the other the response, what happens when the responding party needs to request a cut?

Language of the Clarification

Standard 1.3.20 states 'Receiver of nomination initiates confirmation with the caveat that the receiver of the confirmation may relieve obligation of sender to send.' This means that interconnecting parties which both receive nominations can agree on an operating convention where one party may routinely initiate the confirmation process with the sending of a request to confirm to the other party. In addition, the interconnecting parties may agree that the party which routinely sends confirmation responses may send an unsolicited confirmation response.

Failure of the parties to agree on such a convention would not deprive either party of the opportunity to effect a change as that party, having received a nomination (see Standard 1.3.27) could initiate the confirmation process (send a request to confirm) and the receiving party would have the obligation to respond with a confirmation response. This is the intent of Standard 1.3.21 which states 'The sending party should adhere to nomination, confirmation, and scheduling deadlines.'