1. **Recommended Action:**
   - Accept as requested
   - X Accept as modified below
   - Decline

**Effect of EC Vote to Accept Recommended Action:**
   - X Change to Existing Practice
   - Status Quo

2. **TYPE OF MAINTENANCE**
   **Per Request:**
   - X Initiation
   - Modification
   - Interpretation
   - Withdrawal
   - Principle (x.1.z)
   - Definition (x.2.z)
   - Business Practice Standard (x.3.z)
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3. **RECOMMENDATION**

**SUMMARY:**
* Add two GISB standards describing the business practice of requesting the Allocation dataset.
* Add two GISB standards describing the business practice of requesting the Shipper Imbalance dataset.
* Add a dataset called the Request for Information to be used to request the Allocation dataset or the Shipper Imbalance dataset, with the associated Technical Implementation of Business Process and Sample Paper Transaction.
* Add a dataset called the Response to Request for Information that tells the requester whether the request can be fulfilled, with the associated Technical Implementation of Business Process and Sample Paper Transaction.

**STANDARDS LANGUAGE:**

**R96007:**

**2.3.A**
Transportation Service Providers (TSPs) which:

a) provide parties with the ability to request statement(s) of allocation via electronic bulletin board or web page; and,
b) provide parties with the ability to view such requested statements of allocation via electronic bulletin board or web page; and,
c) do not provide such parties with the ability to request a GISB Standard No. 2.4.3 Allocations via at least a fax, phone, or e-mail;
should support the ability of such party (or their agent) to request GISB Standard No. 2.4.3 Allocation via the Request for Information and to receive the Transportation Service Provider's response via a GISB Standard No. 2.4.3 document. Where the conditions in a) and b) above exist and the TSP does provide such parties with the ability to request a GISB Standard No. 2.4.3 Allocation via at least a fax, phone, or e-mail, then the Transportation Service Provider is not required to support Request for Information.

The period of time (how far back in time a request may specify) should be comparable as between the electronic request/view method and the upload request/receive response method, provided, however, the TSP would not be required to respond with information generated prior to its implementation of GISB Standard No. 2.4.3.

2.3.B Transportation Service Providers which support the ability of a party (or its agent) to:
   a) request GISB Standard No. 2.4.3 document(s) pursuant to GISB Standard No. [number assigned for proposed standard no. 2.3.A] and
   b) receive the GISB Standard No. 2.4.3 document in response to such request;
should provide the documents requested at the party's designated site by 9:00 a.m. CCT on a business day when the request is received prior to 3:00 p.m. CCT on the prior business day.

R96008:

2.3.A Transportation Service Providers (TSPs) which:
   a) provide parties with the ability to request imbalance information via electronic bulletin board or web page; and,
   b) provide parties with the ability to view such requested imbalance information via electronic bulletin board or web page; and,
   c) do not provide such parties with the ability to request a GISB Standard No. 2.4.4 Shipper Imbalances via at least a fax, phone, or e-mail;
should support the ability of such party (or their agent) to request GISB Standard No. 2.4.4 Shipper Imbalances via the Request for Information and to receive the Transportation Service Provider's response via a GISB Standard No. 2.4.4 document. Where the conditions in a) and b) above exist and the TSP does provide such parties with the ability to request a GISB Standard No. 2.4.4 Shipper Imbalance via at least a fax, phone, or e-mail, then the Transportation Service Provider is not required to support Request for Information.

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DATA DICTIONARY (for new documents and addition, modification or deletion of data elements)

Document Name and No.: Request for Information, 2.4.7
# RECOMMENDATION TO GISB EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Revised by the Executive Committee – 10/12/00

**Requester:** TransCapacity  
**Request No.:** R96007 & R96008

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* Indicates Common Code

** When a Transportation Service Provider’s proprietary location code is employed pursuant to this standard, the parties agree that nominations, confirmations, scheduled quantities, and capacity release documents employing such code should be for one gas day at a time, and used only until there is a verified common code for the point associated with the proprietary location code. This would include daily nominations over a weekend. Within two months following the availability of the location the parties should employ the common code and no longer employ the proprietary code for identifying such location in the datasets related to the identified standards.

### Document Name and No.:
Response to Request for Information, 2.4.8

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RECOMMENDATION TO GISB EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Revised by the Executive Committee – 10/12/00

Requester: TransCapacity  Request No.: R96007 & R96008

Document Name and No.:  Response to Request for Information, 2.4.8
Data Element:  Data Availability Code

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BUSINESS PROCESS DOCUMENTATION (for addition, modification or deletion of business process documentation language)

Standards Book:  Nominations Related Standards
Flowing Gas Related Standards
Invoicing Related Standards
Electronic Delivery Mechanism Related Standards
Capacity Release Related Standards

Related Standards tab
In the "Hypertext Transfer Protocol (HTTP)" section, for the "HTTP transaction-set Code Values" table, add the following two rows in numerical order by standard number:

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Standards Book: Flowing Gas Related Standards, Request for Information, 2.4.7

Technical Implementation of Business Process:

The Request for Information document (Request) is sent from the data requester to the transportation service provider and is used to request a specific document from the transportation service provider. The Response to Request for Information document (Response) is sent in response to the Request.

The data requester assigns a request ID, which is used to delineate the Request from others sent by the data requester.

When specified in the Request, service requester and statement recipient id reflect their value as stated in the document being requested.

In the Request, the data requester indicates what type of document is being requested by providing the data sets requested as follows:
1. Allocation - - - > either all locations or a single location
2. Shipper Imbalance - - - > either all service requester contracts or a single service requester contract.

If the data requester is requesting a single month of information, then the information requested begin date is used. If the data requester is requesting more than one month of information, then the information requested begin date and the information requested end date are used. These requested dates refer to the flow dates in the requested document.

Upon receiving and processing a Request, the transportation service provider sends a Response. Within the prescribed time period, the requested report, if available, is sent.

Sample Paper Transaction

Requester: I. M. Requester Company (808300594)
Statement Recipient: I. M. Requester Company (808300594)
Request ID: REQID001
Transportation Service Provider: ABC Pipeline Company (006144656)
Information Requested Month: July, 2000
Data Sets Requested: Allocation for all locations
Allocation Transaction Type Code: 7R (Receipt)
Standards Book: Flowing Gas Related Standards, Response to Request for Information, 2.4.8

Technical Implementation of Business Process:

The Response to Request for Information (Response) is sent by the transportation service provider to the data requester in response to receiving and processing a Request for Information (Request). Within the prescribed time period, the requested document, if available, is sent.

The request ID is sent back to the data requester in the Response. The data process date and data process time indicate the date and time the Response was processed.

The data availability code, which is included in the Response, indicates whether the requested document is available. In the case where data is available for only a portion of the requested date or date range, then the data availability code will indicate that data is available, and the available data will be sent.

Sample Paper Transaction

Transportation Service Provider: ABC Pipeline Company (006144656)
Requester: I. M. Requester Company (808300594)

Request ID: REQID001
Data Process Date: August 10, 2000
Data Process Time: 3:14 PM
Data Availability Code: Requested data is available

TECHNICAL CHANGE LOG (all instructions to accomplish the recommendation)

Document Name and No.: Request for Information (2.4.7)
Response to Request for Information (2.4.8)

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4. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

a. Description of Request:

Develop a new dataset that can be used to request the Allocation statement (R96007).
Develop a new dataset that can be used to request the Shipper Imbalance statement (R96008).

b. Description of Recommendation:

Information Requirements Subcommittee (July 15, 1997)
Motion: Transfer these requests to BPS for resolution of any business issues therein.
Action: Passed unanimously.

TransCapacity (February 1, 1998). Adopted requests R96007 and R96008.

Business Process Subcommittee (May 14, 1998)
Motion: A motion was made, seconded and passed to adopt the proposed standard nos. 2.3.A and 2.3.B, and the related instructions to the Information Requirements for R96007, as follows:

R96007:
2.3.A Transportation Service Providers (TSPs) which provide parties with the ability to:

a) request statement(s) of allocation via electronic bulletin board or web page; and,
b) view such requested statements of allocation via electronic bulletin board or web page; and,
c) do not provide such parties with the ability to request a GISB Standard No. 2.4.3 Allocation Statement via at least a fax, phone, or e-mail;

should support the ability of such party (or their agent) to request Allocation Statements via Upload of a Request for Allocation Statement and to receive the Transportation Service Provider's response via a GISB Standard No. 2.4.3 document. Where the conditions in a) and b) above exist and the TSP does provide such parties with the ability to request a GISB Standard No. 2.4.3 Allocation Statement via at least a fax, phone, or e-mail, then the Transportation Service Provider is not required to support the Upload of Request for Allocation Statement.

The period of time (how far back in time a request may specify) should be comparable as between the electronic request/view method and the upload request/receive response method, provided, however, the
TSP would not be required to respond with information generated prior to its implementation of GISP Standard No. 2.4.3.

2.3.B Transportation Service Providers which support the ability of a party (or its agent) to:

a) request GISP Standard No. 2.4.3 document(s) pursuant to GISP Standard No. [number assigned for proposed standard no. 2.3.A] and
b) receive the GISP Standard No. 2.4.3 document in response to such request;

should provide the response document at the party's designated site by 9:00 a.m. CCT on a business day when the request is received prior to 3:00 p.m. CCT on the prior business day.”

As instructions to the Information Requirements Subcommittee:
Instructions to Information Requirements Subcommittee (IR), the Business Practice Subcommittee requests IR to implement the Upload for Request for Allocation Statement in a manner that would permit the party or its agent submitting a request to specify either:

a) all locations for that party for a particular date-range, or,
b) a specific location for that party for a particular date-range.

The idea is that the requester could specify either a location or all locations and receive a response. The Information Requirements Subcommittee should not provide further precision.

As language to explain the intended business result, IR should make clear that:
For a request for a given day or date range less than a calendar month to a TSP performing only monthly allocations, the expected business result would be a response for the calendar month(s) in which the date range occurred.

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Business Process Subcommittee (May 28, 1998)
Motion: A motion was made, seconded and passed to adopt the proposed standard nos. 2.3.A and 2.3.B, and the related instructions to the Information Requirements for R96008, as follows:

R96008:
2.3.A Transportation Service Providers (TSPs) which provide parties with the ability to:

a) request imbalance information via electronic bulletin board or web page; and,
b) view such requested imbalance information via electronic bulletin board or web page; and,
c) do not provide such parties with the ability to request a GISP Standard No. 2.4.4 Imbalance Statement via at least a fax, phone, or e-mail;
should support the ability of such party (or their agent) to request Imbalance Statements via Upload of a
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parties with the ability to request a GISB Standard No. 2.4.4 Imbalance Statement via at least a fax, phone, or
e-mail, then the Transportation Service Provider is not required to support the Upload of Request for
Imbalance Statement.

The period of time (how far back in time a request may specify) should be comparable as between the
electronic request/view method and the upload request/receive response method, provided, however, the
TSP would not be required to respond with information generated prior to its implementation of GISB
Standard No. 2.4.4.

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      for proposed standard no. 2.3.A] and
   b) receive the GISB Standard No. 2.4.4 document in response to such request;

should provide the response document at the party's designated site by 9:00 a.m. CCT on a business day
when the request is received prior to 3:00 p.m. CCT on the prior business day.

As instructions to the Information Requirements Subcommittee:
Instructions to Information Requirements Subcommittee, the Business Practice Subcommittee requests IR to
implement the Upload of Request for Imbalance Statement in a manner that would permit the party or its
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only a monthly basis, the expected business result would be a response for the calendar month(s) in which
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Sense of the Room: May 28, 1998 4 In Favor 3 Opposed
Segment Check (if applicable):
In Favor: __End-Users __LDCs __Pipelines __Producers __Services
Opposed: __End-Users __LDCs __Pipelines __Producers
Services

Information Requirements Subcommittee (November 9, 1999)

Add a new data set called Request for Information.
RECOMMENDATION TO GSB EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
Revised by the Executive Committee – 10/12/00

Requester: TransCapacity Request No.: R96007 & R96008

- IR determined that there should also be a response document that would work similar to the Response to Upload of Request for Download of Posted Data Sets. This will need to be approved by BPS. IR will complete the data dictionary and then send it to BPS for approval.

- **Issues to BPS for R96007 and R96008:**
  - The proposed standards (2.3.A under R96007 and 2.3.A under R96008) include a data set name. IR recommends the name of the new data set be revised to ‘Request for Information’. The language of the revised standards would be as follows:

  **R96007:**
  2.3.A Transportation Service Providers (TSPs) which provide parties with the ability to:
  
a) request statement(s) of allocation via electronic bulletin board or web page; and,

  b) view such requested statements of allocation via electronic bulletin board or web page; and,

  c) do not provide such parties with the ability to request a GSB Standard No. 2.4.3 Allocation Statement via at least a fax, phone, or e-mail;

  should support the ability of such party (or their agent) to request Allocation Statements via Upload of a Request for Allocation Statement Request for Information and to receive the Transportation Service Provider's response via a GSB Standard No. 2.4.3 document. Where the conditions in a) and b) above exist and the TSP does provide such parties with the ability to request a GSB Standard No. 2.4.3 Allocation Statement via at least a fax, phone, or e-mail, then the Transportation Service Provider is not required to support the Upload of Request for Allocation Statement Request for Information.

  The period of time (how far back in time a request may specify) should be comparable as between the electronic request/view method and the upload request/receive response method, provided, however, the TSP would not be required to respond with information generated prior to its implementation of GSB Standard No. 2.4.3.

  **R96008:**
  2.3.A Transportation Service Providers (TSPs) which provide parties with the ability to:

  a) request imbalance information via electronic bulletin board or web page; and,

  b) view such requested imbalance information via electronic bulletin board or web page; and,

  c) do not provide such parties with the ability to request a GSB Standard No. 2.4.4 Imbalance Statement via at least a fax, phone, or e-mail;

  should support the ability of such party (or their agent) to request Imbalance Statements via Upload of a Request for Imbalance Statement Request for Information and to receive the Transportation Service Provider's response via a GSB Standard No. 2.4.4 document. Where the conditions in a) and b) above exist and the TSP does provide such parties with the ability to request a GSB Standard No. 2.4.4 Imbalance Statement via at least a fax, phone, or e-mail, then the Transportation Service Provider is not required to support the Upload of Request for Imbalance Statement Request for Information.
The period of time (how far back in time a request may specify) should be comparable as between the electronic request/view method and the upload request/receive response method, provided, however, the TSP would not be required to respond with information generated prior to its implementation of GISB Standard No. 2.4.4.

IR determined that a data set should be developed to respond to the Request for Information. However, a response data set was not specifically included in BPS’ instructions to IR. IR asks for BPS’ confirmation that a response data set is consistent with BPS’ instructions.

It should be clarified that the response times specified in 2.3.B under R96007 and 2.3.B under R96008 pertain to the information that was requested and not to the new Response to Request for Information data set. IR suggests the following revision to the proposed standard language:

**R96007:**

2.3.B Transportation Service Providers which support the ability of a party (or its agent) to:

a) request GISB Standard No. 2.4.3 document(s) pursuant to GISB Standard No. [number assigned for proposed standard no. 2.3.A] and  
b) receive the GISB Standard No. 2.4.3 document in response to such request;

should provide the response documents requested at the party's designated site by 9:00 a.m. CCT on a business day when the request is received prior to 3:00 p.m. CCT on the prior business day.

**R96008:**

2.3.B Transportation Service Providers which support the ability of a party (or its agent) to:

a) request GISB Standard No. 2.4.4 document(s) pursuant to GISB Standard No. [number assigned for proposed standard no. 2.3.A] and  
b) receive the GISB Standard No. 2.4.4 document in response to such request;

should provide the response documents requested at the party's designated site by 9:00 a.m. CCT on a business day when the request is received prior to 3:00 p.m. CCT on the prior business day.

The requester offered to draft TIBP language and the Sample Paper Transaction for both the request and the response data sets. These will be addressed at a subsequent IR meeting.

A sense of the room was not taken on these requests. It will be taken at a subsequent meeting. The issues will be sent to BPS after a sense of the room has been taken on the data dictionary for both the request and response data sets.

**Information Requirements Subcommittee** (December 7-8, 1999)

Two new transaction sets have been developed to handle both the request for allocation information and the request for shipper imbalance information. These transaction sets are: 1) Request for Information, and 2) Response to Request for Information. There are four attachments to this document which contain the two
data dictionaries, as well as the two TIBPs. Note that the TIBP attachments also contain the sample paper transactions.

At this meeting, both data dictionaries were discussed and consensus was reached. Additionally, the TIBP and the sample paper transaction for both the Request for Information and the Response to Request for Information were reviewed, and all identified changes were made.

At the next meeting, one final review for errors and omissions will occur. Upon completion of the review, the issues which were identified at the November 9-10, 1999 IR meeting will be sent to the Business Practices Subcommittee.

**Sense of the Room:** December 9, 1999  
7 In Favor 0 Opposed

**Technical Subcommittee**

The data dictionaries and code values tables for both new datasets were reviewed and discussed. The datasets had several anomalies which led to questions that were sent back to Information Requirements as follows:

1. Should more than one code value for Data Sets Requested be allowed in a single Request For Information transaction? In other words, can both an Allocation and Shipper Imbalance be requested in a single Request For Information transaction?

2. Should more than one combination of Service Requester/Service Requester Contract and the requested date range be allowed in a single Request For Information transaction? Should more than one combination of Statement Recipient ID/Location and the requested date range be allowed in a single Request For Information transaction?

3. Since the BPS instructions state that a party is permitted to request one or all locations for a particular date range, should the Statement Recipient ID/Location be at the same level as the date range? The current layout of header and detail in the data dictionary implies that multiple date ranges can be requested for a single location. Since the BPS instructions state that a party is permitted to request one or all contracts for a particular date range, should the Service Requester/Service Requester Contract be at the same level as the date range? The current layout of header and detail in the data dictionary implies that multiple date ranges can be requested for a single contract.

**Sense of the Room:** January 19, 2000  
5 In Favor 0 Opposed

**Business Practices Subcommittee**

Motion: Mr. Lander made the motion to adopt IR’s recommendations on the posted workpaper to include the language changes specified in questions 1 and 3 and the creation of a response document specified in question 2. Ms. Hess seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**Sense of the Room:** February 3, 2000  
15 In Favor 0 Opposed

Segment Check (if applicable):

In Favor:  
- End-Users  
- LDCs  
- Pipelines  
- Producers  
- Services
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Opposed:  __End-Users  __LDCs  __Pipelines  __Producers
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Information Requirements Subcommittee
BPS’ approval of the changes that IR had suggested to the language of the standards related to this request was noted.

The questions from the Technical Subcommittee were reviewed and discussed. IR determined that all data items should be at the same level (the header level) in both datasets. Changes were made to the data dictionaries, the code values tables, and the Technical Implementation of Business Process.

Sense of the Room: February 7-9, 2000  12 In Favor  0 Opposed

Technical Subcommittee
During the processing of requests R96007 and R96008, the Technical Subcommittee developed the following recommendations to send back to IR:

1. In the Request for Information and the Response to Request for Information, the data element “Request ID” should be mandatory.

2. In the Response to Request for Information, the following data elements should be deleted: "Allocation Transaction Type Code", "Data Sets Requested", "Information Requested Begin Date", "Information Requested End Date", "Statement Recipient ID", and "Service Requester".

3. In the Request for Information and the Response to Request for Information, change the name of "Requester Company Code” to "Requester” to be in line with the way other "entity” data elements are named.

The rationale for the above recommendation is as follows: If the Request ID is required in the Request for Information and the Response to Request for Information, then what is required in the Response is simply the echoed Request ID, and additionally, the Parties involved in the Request/Response (Transportation Service Provider and Requester), the date the request was processed (Data Process Date/Data Process Time), and whether the requested data is available (Data Availability Code). All other information is unnecessary. Furthermore, if the Request ID is not mandatory in both documents, then IR's proposed data dictionary for the Response does not contain enough information to uniquely identify the Request.

Sense of the Room: February 23, 2000  4 In Favor  0 Opposed

Information Requirements Subcommittee
This request was sent to the Technical Subcommittee. However, the Technical Subcommittee Chairs have returned 3 recommendations regarding the request.

Recommendation 1: In the Request for Information and the Response to Request for Information, the data element “Request ID” should be mandatory.
Response to Recommendation 1: IR agrees that the data element “Request ID” should have a usage of mandatory in the both the Request for Information and the Response to Request for Information.

Recommendation 2: In the Response to Request for Information, the following data elements should be deleted: “Allocation Transaction Type Code”, “Data Sets Requested”, “Information Requested Begin Date”, “Information Requested End Date”, “Statement Recipient ID”, and “Service Requester”.

Response to Recommendation 2: IR agrees that the above 6 data elements can be deleted from the Response to Request for Information.

Recommendation 3: In the Request for Information and the Response to Request for Information, change the name of “Requester Company Code” to “Requester” to be in line with the way other “entity” data elements are named.

Response to Recommendation 3: IR agrees that the data element which represents the requester of the information will be named “Requester” in both the Request for Information and the Response to Request for Information.

IR Implementation
In the Request for Information, the usage of the data element “Request ID” will be changed to mandatory. Additionally, the name of the data element “Requester Company Code” will be changed to “Requester”.

In the Response to Request for Information, the usage of the data element “Request ID” will be changed to mandatory. In addition, the data elements “Allocation Transaction Type Code”, “Data Sets Requested”, “Information Requested Begin Date”, “Information Requested End Date”, “Statement Recipient ID”, and “Service Requester” will be deleted. Finally, the name of the data element “Requester Company Code” will be changed to “Requester”.

Modifications to the Technical Implementation of Business Processes for the Request for Information and the Response to Request for Information were required.

Modifications to the Sample Paper Transactions for the Request for Information and the Response to Request for Information were required.

It was noted that the standards proposed by the Business Practices Subcommittee regarding these data sets indicate that these data sets apply only to EDI and FF when necessary, and not to the EBB. Therefore, EBB Usages, Data Groupings, and Data Ordering are not required for these data sets.

MOTION: Approve the modified Data Dictionaries for the Request for Information and the Response to Request for Information, and the associated TIBPs and Sample Paper Transactions.

Sense of the Room: March 28-29, 2000 8 In favor 0 Opposed

Technical Subcommittee
Final changes were made by Technical at their June 28 and August 3 meetings based on the work done by IR at their March meeting.

Sense of the Room: August 3, 2000 4 In Favor 0 Opposed
Technical Subcommittee
Add changes to Related Standards tab, HTTP section to add new datasets to "HTTP transaction-set Code Values" table.

Sense of the Room: August 18, 2000  4 In Favor  0 Opposed

c. Business Purpose:

Per request R96007: The Request for Allocation Statement document would be used by the Point Operator to request allocation information from the Transportation Service Provider.

Per request R96008: The Request for Shipper Imbalance document would be used by the Service Requester to request shipper imbalance information from the Transportation Service Provider.

d. Commentary/Rationale of Subcommittee(s)/Task Force(s):

Technical Subcommittee
Note that the Request for Information could not be mapped in an ANSI Compliant fashion until additional segments and code values are approved by DISA for the 814 transaction set. In order to go ahead and get the dataset published now, a non-ANSI compliant version is included with this recommendation. The ANSI Compliant version will be published with other ANSI Compliant Flowing Gas Related datasets.