

RECOMMENDATION TO GISB EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Requester: Columbia Gas Transmission Corp.

Request No.: R98017

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1. Recommended Action:

- Accept as requested
- Accept as modified below
- Decline

Effect of EC Vote to Accept Recommended Action:

- Change to Existing Practice
- Status Quo

2. TYPE OF MAINTENANCE

Per Request:

- Initiation
- Modification
- Interpretation
- Withdrawal

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- Definition (x.2.z)
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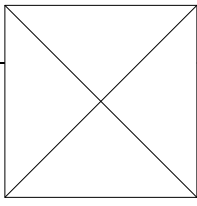
3. RECOMMENDATION

Delete the data elements "Release Term Start Time" and "Release Term End Time" from the 5.4.3 Firm Transportation and Storage - Award Notice (Award Download) dataset.

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

Document Name and No.: Firm Transportation and Storage - Award Notice (Award Download), 5.4.3

Business Name	Definition	Usage	Condition
Release Term Start Time	The start time of the release term.	M	
Release Term End Time	The end time of the release term.	M	



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TECHNICAL CHANGE LOG (all instructions to accomplish the recommendation)

Document Name and No.: Firm Transportation and Storage - Award Notice (Award Download), 5.4.3

Description of Change:
G843CRAN - Award Download (5.4.3) (formerly Firm Transportation and Storage - Award Notice)
Data Element Xref to X12
Header DTM segment: delete lines that contain data elements "Release Term Start Time" and "Release Term End Time"
Sample X12 Transaction
On the "DTM*580" line, change "RTS" to "RD8" and delete "080000" and "075959". The resulting line will be "DTM*580*****RD8*19960601-19960630"
X12 Mapping
Header DTM Segment (position 150): DTM07: Delete "/Release Term Start Time" and "/Release Term End Time"
Transaction Set Tables
"DTM Segments (Heading)" table: In the Element Name Column, delete "/Release Term Start Time" and "/Release Term End Time"
"DTM Segments (Heading)" table: In the DTM06 column for data elements "Release Term Start Date" and "Release Term End Date", change "RTS" to "RD8"

4. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

a. Description of Request:

In the Capacity Release Award Notice, add the text "If the Release Term Start Time is not sent, the time defaults to the beginning of the gas day." to the Release Term Start Time. Also, add the text "If the Release Term End Time is not sent, the time defaults to the end of the gas day." to the Release Term End Time. These two changes would be applied to the data dictionary. Change the DTM segment to allow the use of the "RD8" qualifier.

b. Description of Recommendation:

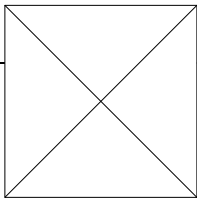
Information Requirements:

Columbia requested that the following text be added to the Release Term Start Time in the 5.4.3 Award dataset: "If the Release Term Start Time is not sent, the time defaults to the beginning of the gas day."

In addition, the following text would be added to Release Term End Time in the Award dataset: "If the Release Term End Time is not sent, the time defaults to the end of the gas day."

This request was triaged directly to IR.

There was discussion on the Mandatory with a default overall issue. Some believed that the usage should be conditional. Others noted that this does not fit the GISB definition of conditional. It was noted that in the nomination we also have mandatory beginning and times with defaults.



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It was finally noted that there was no necessity for the Release Term Starting and Ending times in the Award dataset, so removing them would negate the necessity for the default language.

Motion: Delete the data elements "Release Term Start Time" and "Release Term End Time" from the 5.4.3 Award Download dataset.

Sense of the Room: November 17, 1998 11 In Favor 0 Opposed

Segment Check (if applicable):

In Favor: End-Users LDCs Pipelines Producers Services

Opposed: End-Users LDCs Pipelines Producers Services

Technical Subcommittee:

Sense of the Room: December 8, 1998 7 In Favor 0 Opposed

Segment Check (if applicable):

In Favor: End-Users LDCs Pipelines Producers Services

Opposed: End-Users LDCs Pipelines Producers Services

c. Business Purpose:

This enhancement will make the use of the start time and ending time consistent with the other standards. The Award Notice is the only data set that requires the times without the option of a default. The Award Notice may be implemented in a manner similar to all of the other data sets with regard to the time.

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

IR: See relevant minutes. Adopted without objection.