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Gas Industry Standards Board
Request for Initiation of a GISB Standard for Electronic Business Transactions
or
Enhancement of an Existing GISB Standard for Electronic Business Transactions

Date of Request: <u>3-14-2000</u>

1. Submitting Entity & Address:

<u>Southern Natural Gas Company</u>

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2. Contact Person, Phone #, Fax #, Electronic Mailing Address:

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3. Description of Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

<u>Add 10 new code values for the Transaction Type data element in the nomination, flowing gas (as appropriate) and invoicing (as appropriate) related data sets. These values would be used for nominating and scheduling of the following:</u>

<u>No-Notice Service Small Shipper</u>

<u>Capacity Release – Volumetric</u>

<u>Current Business/Firm Storage</u>

<u>Current Business/Interruptible storage</u>

<u>No-Notice Service/Firm Storage</u>

<u>No-Notice Service/Interruptible Storage</u>

<u>No-Notice Service Small Shipper/Firm Storage</u>

<u>No-Notice Service Small Shipper/Interruptible Storage</u>

<u>Capacity Release-Volumetric/Firm Storage</u>

<u>Capacity Release-Volumetric/Interruptible Storage</u>

4. Use of Proposed Standard or Enhancement (include how the standard will be used, documentation on the description of the proposed standard, any existing documentation of the proposed standard, and required communication protocols):

> Southern Natural currently employs a master firm transportation contract whereby service requestors have only one contract under which all types of capacity (reservation, no-notice, no-notice small shipper and volumetric capacity release) is nominated. Reservation capacity is the default and is considered current business. No-notice service is reserved for a SR at a point but can also be specified in the nomination if the SR wishes to use no-notice capacity for normal transportation. Volumetric capacity release must be specified in the nomination because it is allocated and billed based only to the quantities utilized. In addition, because a master firm storage contract allows both firm and interruptible storage service when nominating to/from storage points, SR's must specify whether the service is firm or interruptible storage. In the proprietary Sonet Premier System, the type of capacity being utilized and if nominating to/from storage is it firm or interruptrible are given in the nomination as two distinct pieces of data.

5. Description of Any Tangible or Intangible Benefits to the Use of the Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

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6. Estimate of Incremental Specific Costs to Implement Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

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7. Description of Any Specific Legal or Other Considerations:

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8. If This Proposed Standard or Enhancement Is Not Tested Yet, List Trading Partners Willing to Test Standard or Enhancement (Corporations and contacts):

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9. If This Proposed Standard or Enhancement Is In Use, Who are the Trading Partners :

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10. Attachments (such as : further detailed proposals, transaction data descriptions, information flows, implementation guides, business process descriptions, examples of ASC ANSI X12 mapped transactions):

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