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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: 24 November 2001__

1. Submitting Entity & Address:

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3. Description of Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

Please consider adding an identifier for "XML" to the list of possible identifiers within the input-format HTTP request data element of the EDI/EDM specification

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):

The Energy Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT) desires to replace an existing FTP process with GISB EDM. However, the current version of GISB EDM does not include formal support for XML within the input-format HTTP request data element.

The addition of "XML" as a recognized, standard identifier within the input-format request data element will permit ERCOT to replace FTP with GISB EDM.

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

The ability to transport XML documents using GISB EDM._____

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

Minimal estimated costs to software vendors and users._____

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

Energy Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT)_____

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

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