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

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1. Submitting Entity & Address:

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3. Description of Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

PanEnergy Corp pipelines (Algonquin Gas Transmission, Panhandle Eastern Pipe Line, Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation, and Trunkline Gas Company) request that an ANSI ASC X12 document be created to request shipper imbalance information.

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 standards, and required communication protocols):

The Request for Shipper Imbalance document would be used by the Service Requester to request shipper imbalance information from the Transportation Service Provider. This form could be used to request current or previous shipper imbalance information for a specific day or time period. The current Shipper Imbalance document would be the response document to this request.

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

There are multiple benefits to creating a Request for Shipper Imbalance document. One such benefit is for Service Requesters who wish to request shipper imbalance information for previous days or time periods. Currently, the Shipper Imbalance document is meant to report current imbalance information. There is no EDI method to request shipper imbalance information for previously days or time periods. Telephone communication between the Service Requester and the Transportation Service Provider or a download from the Transportation Service Provider's electronic bulletin board (if available for download from EBBs) are the alternative methods for requesting this information. Another benefit is for Service Requesters who wish to control the receipt of shipper imbalance...
information. For example, some Service Requesters may not necessarily want to receive imbalance information every day or some may want to receive the information more than once a day. Transportation Service Providers, therefore, do not send information that is not wanted.

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

The specific costs of implementation depend on the method of implementing the proposed standard. For instance, if implemented as the only method for receiving shipper imbalance information, it affects a broader base of participants. If implemented as an alternative method for receiving imbalance information, then only parties interested in the use specified are affected.

The business group creating the standard will need to evaluate the best use(s) of the requested document and the needs of the parties involved.

7. **Description of Any Specific Legal or Other Considerations:**

None

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

We have not contacted trading partners at this time.

9. **If This Proposed Standard or Enhancement Is in Use, Who Are the Trading Partners:**

Not currently in use

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

None