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: 10/11/96

1. Submitting Entity & Address

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3. Description of Proposed Standard of Enhancement:

   Add a mutually agreed field and associated error messages that would specify the confirming party at an interconnect on the Nomination, Quick Response, and Scheduled volumes transactions.

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

   To support ofsystem thirdparty title transfer services (e.g. QuickTrade), a nominator needs to provide an up/down confirmation party if the confirming party is not the up/downstream welded pipeline.

5. Description of any tangible or intangible benefits to the use of the Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

   This will allow NBPL to accurately perform the confirmation cycle by knowing who the must confirm each transaction with.
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6. Estimate of Incremental Specific Costs to Implement Proposed Standard or Enhancement:
The incremental cost should be trivial since only those those companies choosing to implement it would have a financial impact.

7. Description of Any Specific Legal or Other Considerations:
None.

8. If This Proposed Standard of Enhancement is Not Tested Yet, List Trading Partners Willing to Test Standard or Enhancement. (Corporations and contacts):
All NBPL nominators will be required to utilize this standard for nominations if it involves a nonwelded confirmation party

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):
Recommend this be an additional N1 record and qualifiers in the PO1 loop.