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1.   Submitting Entity and Address:

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3.   Description of Proposed Standard or Enhancement

KGPC is trying to figure out how to indicate the swing contract using the GISB PDA dataset. Our current plans are to use the Allocation Rank Level with the values "Y" or "N" to indicate swing when the allocation method is swing.

Since the Technical Implementation of Business Process reads "When the allocation method is Ranked, Swing or Percentage, the additional parameters (the allocation rank level) may be needed in order to create a valid PDA." We think that the word "swing" was inadvertantly omitted from the above data dictionary definition.

Please correction the Data Dictionary definition for Allocation Rank Level from "Values to implement the ranking or percentage method" to "Values to implement the ranking, percentage, or swing methods".

The condition should read "A number between 001 and 100 for the percentage method, 'Y' or 'N' for the swing method, where 'Y' indicates the swing and "N" indicates that the nominated quantity will be allocated and a number between 001 and 999 for the rank method."

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Note: A limit of 001-999 seems appropriate for the ranked method, since values have yet to be defined and 001-999 corresponds with the limits set for the ranks on the nomination transaction.

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):**

No code values have been defined yet for this field. It is mapped to an alphanumeric in the X12 guide, so no technical changes should be required.

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

Helps to clarify how the swing party and or contract should be indicated in the PDA dataset, thus assuring that all parties implement this standard in a similar fashion.

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

No code values have been defined yet for this field. It is mapped to an alphanumeric in the X12 guide, so no technical changes should be required. The only costs are those associated with revising the implementation guide to make it more clear.

7. **Description of any Specific Legal or Other Considerations**

8. **If This Proposed Standard or Enhancement is not Tested Yet, List Trading Partners Willing to Test Standard or Enhancement (Corporations or Contacts)**

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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 guidelines, business process descriptions, examples of ASC ANSI X12 mapped transactions):**

See attached e-mail explaining other alternatives considered.