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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

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1. Submitting Entity & Address:

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3. Description of Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

GISB has published several standards addressing the subject of intra-day nominations. However many more have been considered and defeated. Standard 1.3.10 is being interpreted differently by many TSP's. Consequently, the industry doesn't have a seamless intra-day nomination process as was achieved for regular nominations. Texaco isn't offering a specific recommendation for GISB. Texaco requests GISB's consideration however to form a task force to study the issue (including bump/no bump) and consider standards which will achieve "seamless" and eliminate the wide variation of interpretation.

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):

Existing standard 1.3.10 allows 4 hours turnaround for intra-day nominations. More definition of intra-day is needed before the gas industry has a workable intra-day process. In reviewing filings made by many interstate TSP's to the FERC it is obvious that too many different interpretations are being made. This is unacceptable because shippers across more than 1 TSP have no assurance that scheduled volumes will be properly coordinated!

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

The main benefit will be a seamless intra-day scheduling process as GISB achieved with regular nominations (standard 1.3.2).

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

N/A

7. Description of Any Specific Legal or Other Considerations:

GISB will have to consider bump/no bump policy issues in order to achieve an efficient intra-day scheduling process.

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

N/A

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

N/A

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

N/A