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:
   The addition of two codes to the Data Element entitled Capacity Type Indicator in the Nomination Dataset 1.4.1 and the Scheduled Quantity Dataset 1.4.5.
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):

Currently, the Data Element values for Capacity Type Indicator in the Nomination Dataset are limited to five possible values. The addition of two new values will allow shippers on Tennessee Gas Pipeline to nominate additional rights for existing service provisions associated with firm transportation service, namely tertiary capacity on supply laterals.

The two new values would be "Tertiary to Primary" and "Tertiary to Secondary"

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

These new codes will provide the shippers on Tennessee the ability to differentiate levels of service at the time of nomination. The result will be fewer nomination errors, clear communication of desired levels of service, and expedited confirmation and scheduled quantity availability.
6. Estimate of Incremental Specific Costs to Implement Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

Due to the fact that the request is for new codes for an existing Data Element, implementation costs should be minimal. The usage code for the data element is mutually agreeable, therefore only those who choose to utilize this service provision would need to modify their respective nomination systems to recognize the new code values.

7. Description of Any Specific Legal or Other Considerations:

This request is a result of a Commission directive contained in Tennessee’s GISB Compliance Filing Order. The Commission rejected Tennessee’s request to eliminate Tertiary Service despite the fact that GISB does not currently recognize this capacity type indicator. Therefore, in order to be compliant with the FERC Order, Tennessee must be able to offer this capacity type upon implementation of the appropriate standards.
8. If This Proposed Standard or Enhancement Is Not Tested Yet, List Trading Partners Willing to Test Standard or Enhancement (Corporations and contacts):

- Tenneco Energy Resource Company (TERC)
- Enron Gas Marketing (EGM)
- Natural Gas Clearinghouse (NGC)
- Texaco Gas Marketing (TGM)
- Trans-Capacity

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

- All Firm Shippers on Tennessee Gas Pipeline.

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

    See Attached Page