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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

Date of Request: 2/11/97

1. Submitting Entity and Address: Southern Natural Gas Co
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2. Contact Person, Phone #, Fax #, Electronic Mailing Address:

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3. Description of Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

Add a data element for Interest Owner to the Nominations, Request for Confirmation, Confirmation and Scheduled Quantities Transactions.

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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):

Shippers on Southern's family of pipelines nominate at receipt points by working
interest owner. A sample nomination on Southern would include the following
data elements - Receipt point code, upstream contract, interest owner, supplier,
receipt rank and quantity. Southern then confirms with the interest owners the
nominations for their interest by shipper and contract. Southern also confirms the
interest owners total with the point operator.

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

Allows Southern's customers to continue to nominate and have their nominations
confirmed through EDI as they have in today's environment.

7. Description of any Specific Legal or Other Considerations:

The ability for shippers to nominate by interest owner is a current tariff provision.
By providing this data element we will meet this tariff provision and meet the
GISB standards.