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: February 15, 1997

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1. Submitting Entity & Address:

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3. Description of Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

Transco proposes that the data elements First Supplier and Last Supplier be added to the Nomination, Scheduled Quantities, Imbalance Statement and Invoice Data Sets with usage code “MA.” This data element is used in Transco’s current business practice as a key element on the transaction for purposes of nomination and reporting. Our ability to use this element in EDI exchanges is necessary to maintain our current level of service.

Appropriate error messages will need to be developed for the Nomination Quick Response. We propose that the Market Star and Technical teams be directed to review this.

Definitions:
First Supplier: The GISB Common Code designation of the first business entity that took title to the gas.
Last Supplier: The GISB Common Code designation of the business entity that had title to the gas prior to the shipper.
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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):

The standard will allow Transco to complete the identification and reporting of a gas transaction.

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

When this proposed enhancement is incorporated into the Standard, Transco and other pipelines that use a multi-level allocation process will be able to identify gas transactions in conformance with current business practices.

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

For companies who already use these data elements, the cost to utilize the data elements is expected to be minor. For companies who are not using this data element, the cost to implement is expected to be negligible, since the proposed usage is “MA.”

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

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

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

10. Attachments (such as: further detailed proposals, transaction data descriptions, information flows, implementation guides, business process descriptions, examples of ASC ANSI X12 mapped transactions:
None.