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

R97049

1. Submitting Entity & Address:

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3. Description of Proposed Standard or Enhancement:

    Transco proposes that additional code values be added to the list of Allocation Type Codes in the Pre-Determined Allocation (PDA) Data Set and the Allocation Data Set. These code values are used in Transco’s current business practice to determine the role that the sending party is playing within the multi-level ranking process. Our ability to use these code values in EDI exchanges is necessary to maintain our current level of service.

    Transco needs values to be assigned to the Allocation Type Code for the following type of allocation and levels:
    -Multi-Level, Operator
    -Multi-Level, Producer
    -Multi-Level, First Supplier
    -Multi-Level, Last Supplier.

    Appropriate error messages will need to be developed for the PDA Quick Response. Values for the Allocation Type Codes above will also need to be developed.
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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 of a gas transaction on the PDA.

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 similar 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 code values, the cost to utilize is expected to be minor. For companies who are not using these code values, the cost to implement is expected to be negligible.

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):
Unknown.

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):
See R96125 which also addresses the need for additional Allocation Type Codes.