

RECOMMENDATION TO GISB EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Requester: Hatch & Associates

Request No.: C00001

1. Recommended Action:

- Accept as requested
- Accept as modified below
- Decline

Effect of EC Vote to Accept Recommended Action:

- Change to Existing Practice
- Status Quo

2. TYPE OF MAINTENANCE

Per Request:

- Initiation
- Modification
- Interpretation
- Withdrawal

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3. RECOMMENDATION

INTERPRETATIONS LANGUAGE:

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Proposed Interpretation response:

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4. SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

a. Description of Request:

Subj: Request for Clarification
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GISB Standards: 1.3.15 and 1.3.16

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Example:

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Transportation

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Fuel Ratio = .5% (in this case, it's the same to all delivery points, but it could be different)

Receipts * (1- Fuel Ratio/100) = Deliveries

- (1) Calculating fuel based on total delivery (5000) gives us:
Fuel Quantity = 25.12 = 25 DTH
- (2) Calculating fuel based on each transportation line item gives us
Fuel based on delivery of 3286 = 16.51 = 17 DTH
Fuel based on delivery of 1714 = 8.61 = 9 DTH
Total Fuel Quantity = 26 DTH

The two ways of calculating fuel give different results.

Possible Interpretations:

We at Hatch believe that fuel should be calculated based on each transportation line item for the following reasons:

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- 1) The quantity type indicator is at the transportation line item level, and could differ from one line item to the other.
- 2) Different transportation paths may have different fuel ratios based on the different receipt and delivery points.
- 3) Fuel should be taken at the receipt point where the transportation originated. This means we can not simply look at the total amount delivered and ignore the original source of the transportation.

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b. Description of Recommendation:

Interpretations Subcommittee (May 26, 2000)

2. A. C00001

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Discussion: After reviewing the drafted restated request for interpretation and the proposed interpretation response, there was no further discussion.

Motion to adopt restated request for interpretation and proposed interpretation response as above. Moved by Shelley Corman, seconded by Paul Love.

Motion passed. See the attendance list for the voting record presented as Vote 1. The text of the proposed interpretation will be circulated to non-present members of the Interpretations Subcommittee for a one-week notational voting period (one week to return ballots).

Interpretations Subcommittee (February 4, 2000)

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A Work Paper was prepared and posted by Mr. Lander. An e-mail from Shelley Corman was accepted and discussed. The text of the Work Paper was inserted into the minutes.

The work paper re-iterated the original request, proposed a restatement of the request for inclusion in the GISB Interpretations section of the standards book, and provided a proposed Interpretation.

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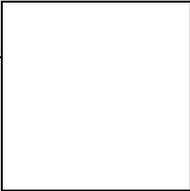
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Proposed Interpretation:

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Discussion: Mr. Lander discussed the request and the reason that it was requested. The customer of Hatch had customers who felt that the fuel rounding should be on all of their activity and not at the line item level. Shelley Corman’s submittal was discussed. It was agreed that the first sentence would be a good addition. It was also noted that while the second sentence suggested addition was consistent with the interpretation, the second part of her suggestion was not necessary for this interpretation.

A re-draft of the proposed Interpretation assented to on the call and ready for vote at the next Interpretations Subcommittee meeting follows:

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Discussion: It was agreed that this would form the basis for a vote at the next meeting of the Interpretations Subcommittee.

c. Business Purpose:

d. Commentary/Rationale of Subcommittee(s)/Task Force(s):