



# Gas Industry Standards Board

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## PROPOSED STANDARD FOR REQUEST R97109

**Request:** Change the field length of contract numbers associated with Standards No. 1.4.x, 2.4.x, 3.4.x and 5.4.x and their related implementation guides and change the remittance numbers associated with Standard No. 3.4.2 and related implementation guide items to utilize a field length of 12 characters instead of the current 30-character field length.

On behalf of its interstate natural gas pipeline member companies, INGAA requests that: (i) Contract numbers assigned by a Transportation Service Provider ("TSP") associated with Standards No. 1.4.x, 2.4.x, 3.4.x and 5.4.x and their related implementation guides and (ii) Remittance numbers associated with Standard No. 3.4.2 and related implementation guide items, utilize a field length of 12 characters instead of the current 30-character field length.

INGAA asks that GISB send this request directly to the Executive Committee for discussion at its August 13, 1997 meeting because a similar request has already been discussed and supported by the Market Execution Task Force (METF). Unlike the earlier request, however, this new request does not ask for a change in the field length for the Package I.D. number. INGAA's motivation in submitting this request is to avoid costly modifications to TSP's existing information systems to conform to a field length of 30 characters for contract and remittance numbers.

### Proposed Standard:

The field length of contract numbers associated with Standards No. 1.4.x, 2.4.x, 3.4.x and 5.4.x and their related implementation guides, and the field length of the remittance numbers associated with Standard No. 3.4.2 and related implementation guide items should use a field length no longer than 12 characters instead of the current 30-character field length.

(Excerpted from the Executive Subcommittee Minutes of August 13, 1997)

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