

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 all of the data elements in the Nominations transaction key be included in the data dictionary for the Invoice dataset. Standard 3.1.2 says that "Elements should stay consistent from nomination through billing." The following data elements are part of the Nominations transaction key, and most of them are being used in Transco's current business practice to uniquely identify the transaction to the recipient of the invoice. Our ability to use these elements in EDI exchanges is necessary to maintain our current level of service. (Failure to include all of the key elements in the invoice dataset implies that either: [1] transaction level data is not shown because transactions are rolled up, or [2] transaction level data is shown, but multiple lines with the same identification could be presented.) The data elements that need to be included in the Invoice Data Set are as follows:

<u>Key data element to be added</u>	<u>Usage and Notes</u>
Capacity Type Indicator	MA
Downstream Contract Identifier	C Mandatory when submitted in the original nomination.
Downstream Identifier Code	C Mandatory when submitted in the original nomination.
Service Provider's Activity Code	MA
Transaction Type	M
Upstream Contract Identifier	C Mandatory when submitted in the original nomination.
Upstream Identifier Code	C Mandatory when submitted in the original nomination.
First Supplier	MA Note: Referenced in a previous Transco request.

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Last Supplier
Source Location

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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 Invoice.

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 similarly disposed pipelines 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.

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.